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## SCHEDULES

### SCHEDULE 20

Section 213

#### MEANING OF OVERSEAS RELATIONSHIP: SPECIFIED RELATIONSHIPS

##### [<sup>F1</sup>PART 1]

##### [<sup>F2</sup>SAME-SEX RELATIONSHIPS]

###### Textual Amendments

- F1** Sch. 20 renumbered as Sch. 20 Pt. 1 (E.W.) (2.12.2019) by [The Civil Partnership \(Opposite-sex Couples\) Regulations 2019](#) (S.I. 2019/1458), regs. 1(2), **5(6)(a)**; (N.I.) (13.1.2020) by [The Marriage \(Same-sex Couples\) and Civil Partnership \(Opposite-sex Couples\) \(Northern Ireland\) Regulations 2019](#) (S.I. 2019/1514), regs. 1(2), **17(7)(a)** (with regs. 6-9); and (S.) (1.2.2021 for specified purposes, 1.6.2021 in so far as not already in force) by [Civil Partnership \(Scotland\) Act 2020](#) (asp 15), **ss. 2(6)(a), 16**; S.S.I. 2020/414, **reg. 2(1)(a)(2)**; S.S.I. 2021/23, **reg. 2, sch.** (with reg. 3)
- F2** Sch. 20 Pt. 1 heading inserted (E.W.) (2.12.2019) by [The Civil Partnership \(Opposite-sex Couples\) Regulations 2019](#) (S.I. 2019/1458), regs. 1(2), **5(6)(b)**

A relationship is specified for the purposes of [<sup>F3</sup>section 213(1)(a) (specified relationships between two people of the same sex)] if it is registered in a country or territory given in the first column of the table and fits the description given in relation to that country or territory in the second column—

<i>Country or territory</i>	<i>Description</i>
[ <sup>F4</sup> Andorra	unió estable de parella
[ <sup>F5</sup> [ <sup>F6</sup> Argentina	marriage]
Argentina: Autonomous City of Buenos Aires	unión civil
Australia: Australian Capital Territory	civil partnership
Australia: New South Wales	a relationship registered under the Relationships Register Act 2010
Australia: Queensland	civil partnership]
Australia: Tasmania	significant relationship]
[ <sup>F7</sup> Australia: Victoria	registered domestic relationship
Austria	eingetragene Partnerschaft]
Belgium	[ <sup>F8</sup> the relationship referred to as cohabitation légale, wettelijke samenwoning or gesetzliches zusammenwohnen]

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[ <sup>F6</sup> Belgium	marriage]
[ <sup>F9</sup> [ <sup>F6</sup> Brazil	marriage]
Brazil	união estável]
[ <sup>F10</sup> [ <sup>F6</sup> Canada	marriage]]
[ <sup>F11</sup> Canada: Manitoba	the relationship referred to as common-law relationship or as union de fait]
Canada: Nova Scotia	domestic partnership
Canada: Quebec	[ <sup>F12</sup> the relationship referred to as union civile or as civil union]
[ <sup>F13</sup> Colombia	unión de hecho
Czech Republic	registrované partnersví
[ <sup>F6</sup> Denmark	marriage]]
Denmark	registreret partnerskab <sup>F14</sup>
	. . .
[ <sup>F15</sup> Ecuador	unión civil]
Finland	[ <sup>F16</sup> the relationship referred to as rekisteröity parisuhde or as registrerad partnerskap]
France	[ <sup>F17</sup> pacte civil de solidarité]
Germany	Lebenspartnerschaft <sup>F14</sup>
	. . .
[ <sup>F18</sup> Greenland	the relationship referred to as nalunaarsukkamik inooqatigiinneq or as registreret partnerskab
Hungary	bejegyzett élettársi kapcsolat
[ <sup>F6</sup> Iceland	marriage]]
Iceland	staðfesta samvist <sup>F14</sup>
	. . .
[ <sup>F19</sup> Ireland	civil partnership
Isle of Man	civil partnership
Jersey	civil partnership
Liechtenstein	eingetragene Partnerschaft]
[ <sup>F20</sup> Luxembourg	the relationship referred to as partenariat enregistré or eingetragene partnerschaft]
[ <sup>F21</sup> Mexico: Coahuila]	[ <sup>F21</sup> pacto civil de solidaridad]

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[ <sup>F21</sup> [ <sup>F22</sup> Mexico: Mexico City Federal District]]	[ <sup>F21</sup> [ <sup>F22</sup> marriage]]
[ <sup>F21</sup> Mexico: Mexico City Federal District]	[ <sup>F21</sup> sociedad de convivencia]
Netherlands	[ <sup>F23</sup> geregistreerd partnerschap]
[ <sup>F6</sup> Netherlands]	marriage]
[ <sup>F24</sup> New Zealand]	civil union]
[ <sup>F25</sup> [ <sup>F22</sup> Norway]	marriage]]
Norway	registrert partnerskap <sup>F14</sup>
	. . .
[ <sup>F26</sup> [ <sup>F22</sup> Portugal]	marriage]]
[ <sup>F26</sup> Slovenia]	zakon o registraciji istospolne partnerske skupnosti]
[ <sup>F26</sup> South Africa]	civil partnership]
[ <sup>F26</sup> [ <sup>F22</sup> South Africa]	marriage]]
[ <sup>F27</sup> [ <sup>F6</sup> Spain]	marriage]]
[ <sup>F28</sup> [ <sup>F6</sup> Sweden]	marriage]]
Sweden	registrerat partnerskap <sup>F14</sup>
	. . .
[ <sup>F29</sup> Switzerland]	the relationship referred to as eingetragene Partnerschaft, as partenariat enregistré or as unione domestica registrata]
[ <sup>F30</sup> United States of America: California]	domestic partnership]
[ <sup>F31</sup> [ <sup>F6</sup> United States of America: California]	marriage]]
[ <sup>F31</sup> United States of America: Colorado]	the relationship between designated beneficiaries]
[ <sup>F30</sup> United States of America: Connecticut]	civil union]
[ <sup>F32</sup> [ <sup>F6</sup> United States of America: Connecticut]]	[ <sup>F32</sup> [ <sup>F6</sup> marriage]]
[ <sup>F32</sup> United States of America: Delaware]	[ <sup>F32</sup> civil union]
[ <sup>F32</sup> [ <sup>F6</sup> United States of America: District of Columbia]]	[ <sup>F32</sup> [ <sup>F6</sup> marriage]]
[ <sup>F32</sup> United States of America: Hawaii]	[ <sup>F32</sup> civil union]
[ <sup>F32</sup> United States of America: Hawaii]	[ <sup>F32</sup> reciprocal beneficiary relationship]
[ <sup>F32</sup> United States of America: Illinois]	[ <sup>F32</sup> civil union]

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[ <sup>F32</sup> [ <sup>F6</sup> United States of America: Iowa]]	[ <sup>F32</sup> [ <sup>F6</sup> marriage]]
[ <sup>F30</sup> United States of America: Maine	domestic partnership]
[ <sup>F30</sup> [ <sup>F6</sup> United States of America: Massachusetts	marriage]]
[ <sup>F33</sup> United States of America: Nevada]	[ <sup>F33</sup> domestic partnership]
[ <sup>F33</sup> [ <sup>F6</sup> United States of America: New Hampshire]]	[ <sup>F33</sup> [ <sup>F6</sup> marriage]]
[ <sup>F33</sup> United States of America: New Jersey]	[ <sup>F33</sup> civil union]
[ <sup>F30</sup> United States of America: New Jersey	domestic partnership]
[ <sup>F34</sup> [ <sup>F6</sup> United States of America: New York]]	[ <sup>F34</sup> [ <sup>F6</sup> marriage]]
[ <sup>F34</sup> United States of America: Oregon]	[ <sup>F34</sup> domestic partnership]
[ <sup>F34</sup> United States of America: Rhode Island]	[ <sup>F34</sup> civil union]
United States of America: Vermont	civil union
[ <sup>F35</sup> [ <sup>F6</sup> United States of America: Vermont]]	[ <sup>F35</sup> [ <sup>F6</sup> marriage]]
[ <sup>F35</sup> United States of America: Washington]	[ <sup>F35</sup> state registered domestic partnership]
[ <sup>F35</sup> United States of America: Wisconsin]	[ <sup>F35</sup> domestic partnership]
[ <sup>F35</sup> Uruguay]	[ <sup>F35</sup> unión concubinaria]

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## [<sup>F36</sup>PART 2

### OPPOSITE-SEX RELATIONSHIPS

#### [<sup>F37</sup>SPECIFIED RELATIONSHIPS: DIFFERENT SEX COUPLES]

##### Textual Amendments

- F36** Sch. 20 Pt. 2 inserted: (E.W.) (2.12.2019) by The Civil Partnership (Opposite-sex Couples) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/1458), **reg. 1(2), Sch. 1**; (N.I.) (13.1.2020) by The Marriage (Same-sex Couples) and Civil Partnership (Opposite-sex Couples) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/1514), **regs. 1(2), 17(7)(c)** (with **regs. 6-9**); and (S.) (1.2.2021 for specified purposes, 1.6.2021 in so far as not already in force) by Civil Partnership (Scotland) Act 2020 (asp 15), s. 16, **sch. 1**; S.S.I. 2020/414, **reg. 2(1)(a)(2)**; S.S.I. 2021/23, **reg. 2, sch.** (with **reg. 3**)
- F37** Additional words inserted (S.) (1.2.2021 for specified purposes, 1.6.2021 in so far as not already in force) as part of the insertion of Sch. 20 Pt. 2 by Civil Partnership (Scotland) Act 2020 (asp 15), s. 16, **sch. 1**; S.S.I. 2020/414, **reg. 2(1)(a)(2)**; S.S.I. 2021/23, **reg. 2, sch.** (with **reg. 3**)

A relationship is specified for the purposes of section 213(1)(b) (specified relationships between two people who are not of the same sex) [<sup>F37</sup>(meaning of “overseas relationship”)] if it is registered in a country or territory given in the first column of the table and fits the description given in relation to that country or territory in the second column—

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Country or territory	Description
Andorra	unió estable de parella [ <sup>F37</sup> (stable couple union)]
[ <sup>F38</sup> Argentina	unión convivencial]
[ <sup>F37</sup> Argentina: Autonomous City of Buenos Aires]	[ <sup>F37</sup> unión civil (civil union)]
[ <sup>F38</sup> Aruba	geregistreerd partnerschap]
Australia: Australian Capital Territory	civil partnership
Australia: New South Wales	a relationship registered under the Relationships Register Act 2010
Australia: Queensland	civil partnership
Australia: South Australia	registered relationship
Australia: Tasmania	significant relationship
Australia: Victoria	registered domestic relationship
Austria	eingetragene Partnerschaft [ <sup>F37</sup> (registered partnership)]
Belgium	the relationship referred to as cohabitation légale, wettelijke samenwoning or gesetzliches Zusammenwohnen [ <sup>F37</sup> (legal cohabitation)]
Bermuda	domestic partnership
Brazil	união estável [ <sup>F37</sup> (stable union)]
[ <sup>F38</sup> Canada: Alberta	adult interdependent partner]
Canada: Manitoba	the relationship referred to as common-law relationship or as union de fait
Canada: Nova Scotia	domestic partnership
Canada: Quebec	union civile [ <sup>F37</sup> the relationship referred to as union civile or as civil union]
Chile	unión civil [ <sup>F37</sup> acuerdo de unión civil (civil union agreement)]
Colombia	unión marital de hecho [ <sup>F37</sup> unión de hecho (de facto union)]
Cyprus	politiki symviosi [ <sup>F37</sup> civil cohabitation]
Ecuador	unión de hecho [ <sup>F37</sup> unión civil (civil union)]
[ <sup>F38</sup> Estonia	Kooselulepingu]
[ <sup>F37</sup> the] Falkland Islands	civil partnership



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France	pacte civil de solidarité [ <sup>F37</sup> (civil solidarity pact)]
Gibraltar	civil partnership
Greece	simfono simviosis [ <sup>F37</sup> σύμφωνο συμβίωσης (cohabitation agreement)]
[ <sup>F37</sup> Hungary]	[ <sup>F37</sup> bejegyzett élettársi kapcsolat (registered partnership)]
Isle of Man	civil partnership
Israel	civil union
Luxembourg	the relationship referred to as partenariat enregistré or eingetragene Partnerschaft [ <sup>F37</sup> (registered partnership)]
Malta	civil union
Mexico: Campeche	sociedad civil de Convivencia [ <sup>F37</sup> (civil cohabitation union)]
Mexico: Coahuila	pacto civil de solidaridad [ <sup>F37</sup> (civil solidarity pact)]
Mexico: Mexico City Federal District	sociedad de convivencia [ <sup>F37</sup> (cohabitation arrangement)]
Mexico: Michoacán	sociedad de Convivencia [ <sup>F37</sup> (cohabitation arrangement)]
Mexico: Tlaxcala	sociedad de convivencia solidaria [ <sup>F37</sup> (permanent cohabitation arrangement)]
Netherlands	geregistreerd partnerschap [ <sup>F37</sup> (registered partnership)]
New Zealand	civil union
San Marino	unione civile [ <sup>F37</sup> (civil union)]
South Africa	civil partnership
Spain: Balearic Islands	pareja estable
Spain: Basque Country	pareja de hecho
Spain: Galicia	pareja de hecho
United States of America: California	domestic partnership
[ <sup>F37</sup> United States of America: Colorado]	[ <sup>F37</sup> the relationship between designated beneficiaries]
United States of America: Colorado	civil union
United States of America: District of Columbia	domestic partnership
United States of America: Hawaii	civil union

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United States of America: Illinois	civil union
United States of America: Maine	domestic partnership
United States of America: Nevada	domestic partnership
United States of America: New Jersey	domestic partnership
United States of America: Washington	state registered domestic partnership]

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#### **Textual Amendments**

**F38** Words omitted (S.) (1.2.2021 for specified purposes, 1.6.2021 in so far as not already in force) since they were not included as part of the insertion of Sch. 20 Pt. 2 by [Civil Partnership \(Scotland\) Act 2020 \(asp 15\)](#), s. 16, [sch. 1](#); [S.S.I. 2020/414](#), [reg. 2\(1\)\(a\)\(2\)](#); [S.S.I. 2021/23](#), [reg. 2](#), [sch.](#) (with [reg. 3](#))

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:**

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 102(8A) inserted by [2023 asp 3 s. 56\(2\)](#)
- s. 103(10) inserted by [2023 asp 3 s. 56\(5\)](#)
- s. 108(5) inserted by [2023 asp 3 s. 56\(8\)](#)
- s. 213(1A) inserted by [2013 c. 30 Sch. 2 para. 5\(2\)](#)