

# Protection of Freedoms Act 2012

## **2012 CHAPTER 9**

#### PART 7

#### MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL

Miscellaneous repeals of enactments

### 114 Removal of restrictions on times for marriage or civil partnership

- (1) In the Marriage Act 1949—
  - (a) omit section 4 (solemnization of marriages to take place at any time between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m.), and
  - (b) omit section 75(1)(a) (offence of solemnizing a marriage outside the permitted hours).
- (2) In section 16(4) of the Marriage (Registrar General's Licence) Act 1970 (disapplication of certain provisions of the Act of 1949) for "sections 75(1)(a) and" substitute "section".
- (3) In section 17(2) of the Civil Partnership Act 2004 (registration as civil partners under the standard procedure to take place on any day in the applicable period between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m.)—
  - (a) for "on any day in" substitute "at any time during", and
  - (b) omit "between 8 o'clock in the morning and 6 o'clock in the evening".
- (4) Omit section 31(2)(ab) of that Act (offence of officiating at the signing of a civil partnership schedule outside the permitted hours).