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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2019 No. 1514**

**The Marriage (Same-sex Couples) and Civil Partnership  
(Opposite-sex Couples) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2019**

**PART 5**

**Amendments: Gender Recognition**

**Alternative grounds for granting certificates in Northern Ireland**

**43.**—(1) Sections 2(3C), 3(11), 3E and 3F(1) (alternative grounds: person party to Scottish relationship but resident in England or Wales) extend also to Northern Ireland.

(2) In the headings of sections 3E and 3F, after “Welsh” insert “and Northern Ireland”.

(3) Section 3E (as it has effect in accordance with paragraph (1)) is amended as follows.

(4) In subsection (2) (interpretation), after “England and Wales” insert “or to Northern Ireland”.

(5) In subsection (5)(a) (applicant must have been living in the acquired gender as at 16th December 2008), after “2014” insert “(but see subsection (5A))”.

(6) After subsection (5) insert—

“(5A) Where the applicant is ordinarily resident in Northern Ireland, subsection (5)(a) has effect as if for the words after “was living in the acquired gender” there was substituted “on 13 January 2014”.”.

(7) In subsection (7) (ordinary residence in England or Wales), after “Wales” insert “or in Northern Ireland”.

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**Commencement Information**

**I1** Reg. 43 in force at 13.1.2020, see [reg. 1\(2\)](#)

**I2** Reg. 42 in force at 13.1.2020, see [reg. 1\(2\)](#)

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(1) Sections 2(3C), 3(11), 3E and 3F were inserted (with England and Wales, and Scotland, extent) by paragraph 15(1) to (4) of Schedule 5 to [S.I. 2014/3229](#).

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Marriage (Same-sex Couples) and Civil Partnership (Opposite-sex Couples) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2019, Section 43.