

CIVIL PARTNERSHIP (SCOTLAND) ACT 2020

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON PROVISIONS

Final provisions [Schedule 2](#)

Change of gender of civil partners Modification of section 4

66. Section 4 of the Gender Recognition Act is modified by paragraph 5(4) of schedule 2 so that:
- the rule that a gender recognition panel can only issue an interim gender recognition certificate to an applicant who is in a civil partnership is abolished,
 - where the conditions for granting a gender recognition certificate are met, the applicant is in a civil partnership, and both partners consent to the civil partnership continuing, the gender recognition panel is required to issue a full gender recognition certificate,
 - if the gender recognition panel issues a full gender recognition certificate in those circumstances, the panel must notify the applicant's civil partner,
 - where the conditions for granting a gender recognition certificate are met, the applicant is in a civil partnership, and one of the partners does not consent to the partnership continuing, the gender recognition panel is required to issue an interim gender recognition certificate.