



Welsh Church Act 1914

1914 CHAPTER 91

PART IV

SUPPLEMENTAL

23 Provisions as to marriages

As from the date of disestablishment, the law relating to marriages in churches of the Church of England (including any law conferring any right to be married in such a church) shall cease to be in force in Wales and Monmouthshire, and the provisions of the Marriage Acts, 1811 to 1898, relating to marriages in registered buildings, shall apply to marriages in churches of the Church in Wales, and every such church may, accordingly be registered under and subject to the conditions imposed by those Acts :

Provided that—

- (a) Every church in Wales and Monmouthshire in which immediately before the date of disestablishment marriages could lawfully be solemnised, shall without registration or the payment of any fee become, as from that date, a registered building within the meaning of the said Acts, and all churches which at the date of disestablishment appear in the official list of the Registrar-General shall be deemed for the purpose of this section to be churches in which marriages can lawfully be solemnised :
- (b) A person who at the date of disestablishment is the incumbent of any parochial benefice in Wales or Monmouthshire shall, on making application to the Registrar-General for the purpose, be entitled to be appointed as the authorised person with respect to all churches within his spiritual charge as such incumbent which by virtue of this section become registered buildings.