
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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NORTHERN IRELAND

The Family Law (Northern Ireland) Order 1993

*Made - - - - 23rd June 1993
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1(2) and (3)*

THE FAMILY LAW (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 1993

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Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made).

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SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 1 — AMENDMENTS RELATING TO MAINTENANCE ORDERS REGISTERED IN OR CONFIRMED BY COURTS OF SUMMARY JURISDICTION OR REGISTERED IN THE HIGH COURT

— The Maintenance Orders (Facilities for Enforcement) Act 1920 (c. 33)

1. In section 11 (application to Ireland), for paragraphs (a) to...
— The Maintenance and Affiliation Orders Act (Northern Ireland) 1966 (c. 35)
2. In section 11 (registration of orders), after subsection (5) insert—...
3. In section 12 (enforcement of registered orders), in subsection (2)...
4. (1) In section 13 (variation of orders registered in courts)...
5. After section 13 (variation of orders registered in courts of...)
6. In section 14 (cancellation of registration), at the end insert—...
— The Maintenance Orders (Reciprocal Enforcement) Act 1972 (c. 18)
7. In section 7 (confirmation by UK court of provisional maintenance)...
8. In section 8 (enforcement of maintenance order registered in UK)...
9. In section 9 (variation and revocation of maintenance order registered)...
10. In section 27 (general provisions relating to application for recovery)...
11. In section 29 (complaint by spouse in convention country for)...
12. In section 29A (complaint by former spouse in convention country)...
13. In section 33 (enforcement of orders)— (a) in subsection (3)...
14. In section 34 (variation and enforcement of orders)—
15. In section 35 (further provisions with respect to variation etc.,...)
— The Civil Jurisdiction and Judgments Act 1982 (c. 27)
16. In section 5 (recognition and enforcement of maintenance orders)—
17. In section 36 (registration of maintenance orders in Northern Ireland)—...

SCHEDULE 2 — THE NORTHERN IRELAND FAMILY PROCEEDINGS RULES COMMITTEE

1. In this Schedule “the Committee” means the Northern Ireland Family...
2. The Committee shall consist of— (a) the Lord Chief Justice,...
3. Where any member of the Committee is unable to act,...
4. Rules of court may be made and other powers of...
5. In the absence of the Lord Chief Justice, the senior...
6. The joint secretaries to the Committee shall be such persons...
7. Such of the joint secretaries to the Committee as the...
8. The Committee shall not, except with the concurrence of the...
9. Any expenses incurred by the Committee shall be paid by...

SCHEDULE 3 — FUNCTIONS TRANSFERRED BY ARTICLE 13

SCHEDULE 4 — MINOR AND CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS

- The Marriage (Declaration of Law) Act (Northern Ireland) 1944 (c. 7)
- 1. In section 2 (marriages within certain degrees of relationship) for...
 - The Crown Proceedings Act 1947 (c. 44)
- 2. In section 27(2) (attachment of moneys payable by the Crown),...
 - The Maintenance and Affiliation Orders Act (Northern Ireland) 1966 (NI 35)
- 3. In section 16(1) (interpretation of Part II) in the definition...
 - The Statutory Rules (Northern Ireland) Order 1979 (NI 12)
- 4. In Part I of Schedule 1 (rule-making authorities) for “The...
 - The Domestic Proceedings (Northern Ireland) Order 1980 (NI 5)
- 5. In Article 25 (supplementary provisions with respect to variation and...
- 6. Article 36 (enforcement etc., of orders for payment of money)—...
- 7. In Article 39 (provisions as to payments required to be...
 - The Judgments Enforcement (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 (NI 6)
- 8. In Article 98(a)(ii) (power to make attachment of earnings orders)...
 - The Legal Aid, Advice and Assistance (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 (NI 8)
- 9. In Article 13(2) (remuneration of person giving legal aid) for...
 - The Magistrates' Courts (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 (NI 26)
- 10. In Article 98 (enforcement of orders for periodical payment of...
- 11. In Article 99(7) (court not to make an order of,...
- 12. In Article 100(2) (definitions), in the definition of “collecting officer”...
- 13. In Article 101(2) (attachment of earnings order) for the words...
 - The Fines and Penalties (Northern Ireland) Order 1984 (NI 3)
- 14. After Article 17(2)(f) (power to alter sums specified in certain...
 - The Matrimonial and Family Proceedings (Northern Ireland) Order 1989 (NI 4)
- 15. In Article 36(5)(a) (definition of rules of court in relation...
- 16. In Article 40(2) (appeals) for “matrimonial causes rules made under...

SCHEDULE 5 — REPEALS

Explanatory Note