

## Civil Evidence Act 1972

## **1972 CHAPTER 30**

## 5 Interpretation, application to arbitrations etc. and savings

- (1) In this Act " civil proceedings " and " court" have the meanings assigned by section 18(1) and (2) of the Civil Evidence Act 1968.
- (2) Subsections (3) and (4) of section 10 of the Civil Evidence Act 1968 shall apply for the purposes of the application of sections 2 and 4 of this Act in relation to any such civil proceedings as are mentioned in section 18(1)(a) and (b) of that Act (that is to say civil proceedings before a tribunal other than one of the ordinary courts of law, being proceedings in relation to which the strict rules of evidence apply, and an arbitration or reference, whether under an enactment or not) as they apply for the purposes of the application of Part I of that Act in relation to any such civil proceedings.
- (3) Nothing in this Act shall prejudice—
  - (a) any power of a court, in any civil proceedings, to exclude evidence (whether by preventing questions from being put or otherwise) at its discretion; or
  - (b) the operation of any agreement (whenever made) between the parties to any civil proceedings as to the evidence which is to be admissible (whether generally or for any particular purpose) in those proceedings.