
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1987 No. 773

The Patronage (Benefices) Rules 1987

GENERAL AND SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISIONS

Notices and other documents

14.—(1) All notices, agreements, approvals, consents and requests required or authorised by the Measure to be served, sent, given or made shall be in writing and notices and other matters required by the Measure to be prescribed shall be in the form set out in the Appendix to these Rules.

(2) Any other matters may be in such form as may be approved from time to time by the Committee. The precedents of such matters and any amendments revocations or additions thereto shall be approved by the Standing Committee of the General Synod and shall then be communicated to the registrar and designated officer of every diocese.

15. If at the material time a parish has no parochial church council or no secretary of the council the provisions of the Measure and these Rules with respect to notices, consents and other things required or authorised to be given or done by or to such council or such secretary shall, if the parish has churchwardens, have effect as if the churchwardens were the council or the secretary thereof and, if there are no churchwardens, shall have no effect with respect to that parish.

Revocation and Transitional Provisions

16.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2) of this rule, the Benefices Rules 1926(1) and the Benefices (Purchase of Rights of Patronage) Rules 1933(2) are hereby revoked.

(2) Where any benefice which is vacant before the end of the registration period is to be filled in accordance with law in force before that date as provided by section 40 of the Measure, the Rules referred to in paragraph (1) of this rule shall remain in force and continue to apply in respect of the filling of that vacancy.

Citation and Commencement

17.—(1) These Rules may be cited as the Patronage (Benefices) Rules 1987.

(2) Rules 1 to 10, 14, 15 and this rule shall come into force on 1st October 1987 and rules 11 to 13 and 16 shall come into force on 1st January 1989.

(1) S.R. & O. 1926/357.

(2) S.R. & O. 1933/1148.