
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Family Proceedings Rules 1991

PART X

PROCEDURE (GENERAL)

Evidence of marriage outside England and Wales

10.14.—(1) The celebration of a marriage outside England and Wales and its validity under the law of the country where it was celebrated may, in any family proceedings in which the existence and validity of the marriage is not disputed, be proved by the evidence of one of the parties to the marriage and the production of a document purporting to be—

- (a) a marriage certificate or similar document issued under the law in force in that country; or
- (b) a certified copy of an entry in a register of marriages kept under the law in force in that country.

(2) Where a document produced by virtue of paragraph (1) is not in English it shall, unless otherwise directed, be accompanied by a translation certified by a notary public or authenticated by affidavit.

(3) This rule shall not be construed as precluding the proof of marriage in accordance with the Evidence (Foreign, Dominion and Colonial Documents) Act 1933⁽¹⁾ or in any other manner authorised apart from this rule.