

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

Section 19(2)(a) of the Asylum and Immigration (Treatment of Claimants, etc.) Act 2004 provides that where a marriage is to be solemnised in England and Wales, notices under section 27 of the Marriage Act 1949 must be given to the superintendant registrar of a registration district. These Regulations specify the relevant registration districts within England and Wales. A similar provision is made in respect of a marriage to be solemnised in Scotland (by section 21(2)) and Northern Ireland (by section 23(2)) of the 2004 Act and the Regulations prescribe every registration district in both Scotland and Northern Ireland for the purposes of the Act.

These Regulations revoke and replace the Immigration (Procedure for Marriage) Regulations 2005 (S.I. 2005/15). They update the list of registered districts and also reflect the withdrawal of the requirement to seek the Secretary of State's permission to marry following the Immigration (Treatment of Claimants, etc.) Act 2004 (Remedial) Order 2011 (S.I. 2011/1158) by removing the provisions which set out how permission was to be applied for.

A full regulatory impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no impact on the private or voluntary sectors is foreseen.

**Changes to legislation:**

There are outstanding changes not yet made by the legislation.gov.uk editorial team to The Immigration (Procedure for Marriage) Regulations 2011. Any changes that have already been made by the team appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to :**

- Sch. omitted by [S.I. 2020/1309 reg. 36\(3\)](#)
- Sch. word substituted by [S.I. 2013/226 reg. 2](#)
- reg. 2 substituted by [S.I. 2020/1309 reg. 36\(2\)](#)