
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**The Marriage and Civil Partnership
(Northern Ireland) (No. 2) Regulations 2020**

PART 3

Civil Partnership and Marriage: Conversion from one into the other

Verification of information and evidence

14.—(1) A registrar may obtain, from a person mentioned in paragraph (2) and for a purpose mentioned in paragraph (3), information relating to persons seeking a conversion under this Part.

(2) The persons from whom information may be obtained are—

- (a) a person appointed under Article 31 of the Marriage (Northern Ireland) Order 2003, or under section 152 of the Civil Partnership Act 2004, for any district in Northern Ireland;
- (b) the Registrar General.

(3) The purposes for which information may be obtained are—

- (a) in the case of a conversion from a civil partnership into a marriage—
 - (i) to verify the formation and existence of the civil partnership;
 - (ii) to verify any of the information and evidence provided by the civil partners;
- (b) in the case of a conversion from a marriage into a civil partnership—
 - (i) to verify the formation and existence of the marriage;
 - (ii) to verify any of the information and evidence provided by the spouses.

(4) A registrar may interview each of the persons seeking a conversion under this Part individually.

(5) Nothing in this regulation limits any other power under which information may be disclosed or obtained.