

SCHEDULE 5

CONSEQUENTIAL MODIFICATIONS TO PRIMARY LEGISLATION

Welfare Reform Act 2012

- 20.**—(1) Section 39 of the Welfare Reform Act 2012⁽¹⁾ (couples) is amended as follows.
- (2) For subsection (1) substitute—
- “**(1)** In this Part “couple” means—
- (a) two people who are married to, or civil partners of, each other and are members of the same household; or
 - (b) two people who are not married to, or civil partners of, each other but are living together as a married couple.”.

(3) Omit subsection (2).

(4) In subsection (3)—

 - (a) in paragraph (a), for “husband and wife” substitute “married”; and
 - (b) in paragraph (b), for “a man and woman are to be treated as living together as husband and wife” substitute “two people are to be treated as living together as a married couple”.

Commencement Information

- II** Sch. 5 para. 20 in force at 16.12.2014, see [art. 1\(2\)](#)

⁽¹⁾ 2012 c.5. Section 39 was amended [S.I. 2014/560](#).

Changes to legislation:

There are outstanding changes not yet made by the legislation.gov.uk editorial team to The Marriage and Civil Partnership (Scotland) Act 2014 and Civil Partnership Act 2004 (Consequential Provisions and Modifications) Order 2014. 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 the whole Instrument associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Instrument (including any effects on those provisions):

- art. 6(1A) inserted by [S.I. 2019/1514 reg. 10\(3\)\(b\)](#)