

# Scottish Government Same-Sex Marriage Consultation

We have produced this form to provide you with a simple way to respond to the Scottish Government consultation: 'The Registration of Civil Partnerships and Same-Sex Marriage' (2011). This is your chance to have a say on lifting the ban on same-sex marriage and mixed-sex civil partnership in Scotland.

## Important Information

**Deadline:** This response must be returned by 6 December 2011. We will forward your response to the Scottish Government. **Return to:** Equal Marriage, FREEPOST RLXT-ABXL-THJE, 30 Bernard Street, Edinburgh EH6 6PR. **Please complete the Respondent Information Form below to ensure your response is counted.**

## Respondent Information Form

**1** First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Surname \_\_\_\_\_

**2** Postal Address \_\_\_\_\_

Town \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**3 Permissions** I am responding as an individual: ☐

Do you agree to your response being made available to the public? Yes ☐ No ☐

Where confidentiality is not requested, the Scottish Government will make your response available to the public on the following basis: (please tick one)

» Yes, make my response, name and address all available ☐

» Yes, make my response and name available, but not my address ☐

» Yes, make my response available, but not my name or address ☐

The Scottish Government will share your response internally with other policy teams who may be addressing the issues you discuss. They may wish to contact you again in the future, but require your permission to do so. Are you content for the Scottish Government to contact you in relation to this consultation exercise? Yes ☐ No ☐

Yes, add me to the Equal Marriage mailing list for the latest news: ☐

# Consultation Questions

## Guidelines

- » You do not have to answer every question.
  - » You can include broader comments and personal experiences in your answers.
  - » If an issue you would like to address is not covered please make use of the most relevant section.
  - » This is a summarised version of the Scottish Government consultation. For the full document see: [www.scotland.gov.uk/Consultations/Current](http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Consultations/Current) and scroll down.
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### Question 10

Do you agree that the law in Scotland should be changed to allow same-sex marriage?

Yes ☐ No ☐ Don't Know ☐

**Please give reasons for your answer**

### Question 13

Do you agree that same-sex couples should be able to get married through **both** civil ceremonies (conducted by a registrar) and religious ceremonies (conducted by those religious groups that want to)?

Yes ☐ No ☐ Don't Know ☐

**Please give reasons for your answer**

### Question 19

If Scotland should introduce same-sex marriage, do you consider that civil partnership should remain available? **Yes** ☐ **No** ☐ **Don't Know** ☐

**Please give reasons for your answer**

### Question 1

Do you agree that legislation should be changed so that civil partnerships could be registered through religious ceremonies? **Yes** ☐ **No** ☐ **Don't Know** ☐

**Please give reasons for your answer**

### Question 5 & Question 11

Do you agree that religious bodies should not be required to conduct same-sex marriages or civil partnerships if it is against their wishes? **Yes** ☐ **No** ☐ **Don't Know** ☐

**Please give reasons for your answer**

### Question 20

Do you have any other comments? For example, do you have any comments on the potential implications of the proposals for transgender people?

**Comments**

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