

MARRIAGE ORDINANCE 1950.*

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An Ordinance to amend The Marriage Act Further Amendment Act, 1882, of the State of South Australia, in its application to the Territory.

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the *Marriage Ordinance 1950*.*

Short title
and citation.

2. After section four of the Marriage Act Further Amendment Act, 1882, of the State of South Australia, in its application to the Territory, the following section is inserted:—

Marriage, how
to be celebrated.

“ 5. All marriages may be celebrated in the place, and between the parties described in the licence or certificate, by the Registrar-General, Deputy Registrar, District Registrar, officiating registrar or officiating minister named therein, according to such form and ceremony as such parties may think fit to adopt, and all marriages shall take place with open doors, and in the presence of two or more witnesses: Provided that all marriages celebrated by any officiating minister may be celebrated according to the usage and forms of the church, religious body, or society to which he belongs, and the signature of such officiating minister to the certificate of marriage contained in the Sixth Schedule to “ The Marriage Act, 1867,” shall be conclusive evidence that such marriage has been celebrated according to such usage and forms: Provided also, that when any marriage is celebrated by any Registrar-General, Deputy Registrar, District Registrar, or officiating registrar, in some part of the ceremony, in the presence of such Registrar-General, Deputy Registrar, District Registrar, or officiating registrar conducting the same, and two or more witnesses, each of the parties shall say to the other, “ I call upon those persons here present to witness that I, A.B., do take thee, C.D., to be my lawful wedded wife (or husband),” or words to that effect: Provided, also, that there be no lawful impediments to the marriage of such parties.”

* No. 6, 1950; assented to by Administrator and commenced on 22nd August, 1950.