# FormForm of simplified dissolution of civil partnership application under49.80B-CSection 117(3)(b) of the Civil Partnership Act 2004(SPF)

Rule	Court of Session
49.80B(3)	General Department
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#### APPLICATION FOR DISSOLUTION OF A CIVIL PARTNERSHIP (INTERIM GENDER RECOGNITION CERTIFICATE ISSUED TO ONE OF THE CIVIL PARTNERS AFTER THE REGISTRATION OF THE CIVIL PARTNERSHIP)

Before completing this form, you should have read the leaflet entitled "Do it yourself Dissolution", which explains the circumstances in which a dissolution of a civil partnership may be sought by this method. If simplified procedure appears to suit your circumstances, you may use this form to apply for dissolution of your civil partnership.

Below you will find directions designed to assist you with your application.

Please follow them carefully. In the event of difficulty, you may contact the Court's General Department at the above address or any Citizen's Advice Bureau.

#### **Directions for making Application**

#### WRITE IN INK, USING BLOCK CAPITALS

Application1. Complete and sign Part 1 of the form (pages 3-7), paying particular attention to the notes(Part 1)opposite each section.

Affidavit2. When you have completed Part 1, you should then take the form to a Justice of the Peace,<br/>Notary Public, Commissioner for Oaths or other duly authorised person so that your affidavit at<br/>Part 2 (page 8) may be completed and sworn.

Returning 3. When directions 1 and 2 above have been carried out, your application is now ready to be sent to the Court. With it you must enclose:

- Completed Application Form to Court
  - rt (i) an extract of the registration of your civil partnership in the civil partnership register (the document headed "Extract of an entry in the Register of Civil Partnerships", which will be returned to you in due course, or an equivalent document. Check the Notes on page 2 to see if you also need to obtain a letter from National Records of Scotland stating that there is no record of your civil partner having dissolved the civil partnership;
    - (ii) the interim gender recognition certificate or a certified copy of it; and
    - (iii) either a cheque or postal order in respect of the court fee, crossed and made payable to "Scottish Court and Tribunal Service", or completed form SP15 claiming exemption from the Court fee..

4. Receipt of your application will be promptly acknowledged. Should you wish to withdraw the application for any reason, please contact the Court immediately.

#### THE NOTES ON THIS AND THE FOLLOWING PAGES ARE DESIGNED TO ASSIST YOU. PLEASE READ THEM CAREFULLY BEFORE COMPLETING EACH SECTION OF THE FORM.

#### Notes on Sections 1 and 2 opposite

- (i) The names entered in Sections 1 and 2 opposite must be those shown on your extract of registration of civil partnership. If you are known by another name which does not appear on that extract, please write the name in brackets.
- (ii) The surname given for a female partner must be her maiden name. Any names from previous marriages should be entered in the space for other names.
- (iii) Home address should be given where these are known. The Court is required by law to serve a copy of this application on your civil partner.

#### Notes on Section 3 opposite

If the address of your civil partner is NOT known or cannot be reasonably ascertained, please enter "not known" in this section; you must take all reasonable steps to find out where your civil partner is living and state on a separate sheet what steps you have taken and attach it to this form, then proceed to section 4.

#### N.B. The statement must be signed.

#### Notes on Section 4 opposite

In the event that the address of your civil partner is unknown to you, the Court is required by law to intimate a copy of this application to:

- (i) ONE of the next-of-kin of your civil partner. ("Next-of-kin" does not include yourself or any children of the family for the purposes of this application.)
- (ii) All children of the family aged 16 years or over, whether or not they live with you. ("Children of the family" includes any adopted children, and or children accepted into the family.)

When entering the details of the next-of-kin, if any, please state his or her relationship to your civil partner (i.e. "mother", "father", "brother", "sister", etc).

If you do not know the identity or whereabouts of any of the next-of-kin of your civil partner, or the whereabouts of any of the children of the family, please enter "not known" where appropriate.

LETTER FROM NATIONAL RECORDS OF SCOTLAND: If you do not know the address of your civil partner and your civil partnership was registered in Scotland, you must obtain a letter from the National Records of Scotland stating that there is no record that your civil partner has had the civil partnership dissolved. The letter must be issued not more than one month before the date of posting this application to the court. If you require to obtain a letter you should apply to:

National Records of Scotland, Registration Branch, New Register House, Edinburgh EH1 3YT,

stating both civil partners' full names, the date and place of your registration of your civil partnership and requesting that a search be made to confirm that there is no record that your civil partner has had the civil partnership dissolved. (Note – a fee will be charged for this service.)

The requirement to obtain a letter from National Records of Scotland does not apply if your civil partnership was registered outwith Scotland.

## PART 1

## WRITE IN INK USING BLOCK CAPITALS

# 1. NAME AND ADDRESS OF APPLICANT

Surname	Other name(s) in full
Present Address	Daytime telephone number (if any)
2. NAME OF CIVIL PARTNER	
Surname	Other name(s) in full
<b>3. ADDRESS OF CIVIL PARTNER</b> (if the addret this section and proceed to section 4)	ess of your civil partner is not known, please enter "not known" in
Present Address	Daytime telephone number (if any)
4. Only complete this section if you do not know	the present address of your civil partner
NEXT-OF-KIN	
Name	Address
Relationship to your civil partner	
CHILDREN OF THE FAMILY	
Names and dates of birth	Addresses
If sufficient space is not available here to list all the attach to this form.	children of the family, please continue on a separate sheet and

#### Notes on Section 5 opposite

"Domiciled" means that the person concerned at Item (i) or (iii) opposite regards Scotland as his/her permanent home and intends to live permanently in Scotland in the foreseeable future.

#### Notes on Section 6 opposite

You will be able to obtain these details from the extract of registration of your civil partnership (Extract of an entry in the register of civil partnerships) which must accompany this application form, when you send it to the Court.

A photocopy of the civil partnership registration certificate will NOT be accepted. If you cannot find the original, you should apply for an official copy to:

National Records of Scotland, Registration Section, New Register House, Edinburgh EH1 3YT or the office where the civil partnership was registered, in writing,

or by e-mailing the form at http://www.gro-scotland.gov.uk/contacts/contact-form.html

stating both civil partner's full names, and the date and place of registration of the civil partnership.

(Note that the Registrar will charge a fee for this service.)

PART 1 (continued)

## 5. JURISDICTION

Please indicate with a tick  $\checkmark$  in the appropriate box or boxes which of the following apply:

PART A (i)	I am domiciled in Scotland on the date I signed this application		
(ii)	My civil partner is domiciled in Scotland on the date I signed this application		
(iii)	I was habitually resident in Scotland throughout the period of one year ending with the date I signed this application		
(iv)	My civil partner was habitually resident in Scotland throughout the period of one year ending with the date I signed this application		
If you have ticked one of the boxes in Part A, you do not have to complete Part B. You should complete Part B if you have not ticked any of the boxes in Part A.			
PART B (i)	My civil partner and I are registered as civil partners of each other in Scotland		
AND			
(ii)	No court has, or is recognised as having, jurisdiction		
AND			
(iii)	It is in the interests of justice for the Court of Session to assume jurisdiction in the case		
	(Please give reasons below)		

## 6. DETAILS OF PRESENT CIVIL PARTNERSHIP

Place of Registration of Civil Partnership		(Registration District)
Date of Registration of Civil Partnership: Day	Month	Year

#### Notes on Section 7 opposite

You will be able to obtain the details required at (ii) from the interim gender recognition certificate which must accompany this application form, when you send it to the Court.

#### A photocopy of the interim gender recognition certificate will NOT be accepted.

If the principal interim gender recognition certificate is not available, a copy certified by the Gender Recognition Panel should be lodged instead. This can be obtained from the Gender Recognition Panel at PO Box 6987, Leicester, LE1 6ZX, or at <u>http://www.grp.gov.uk</u>

Note on Section 9 opposite

Children of the marriage includes children accepted into the family.

#### Notes on Section 11 opposite

No claim can be made in this form of dissolution application for payment to you of a periodical allowance (*i.e.* regular payment of money, weekly, monthly, etc., for your maintenance) or a capital sum (*i.e.* lump sum). If you wish to make such a claim, you should consult a solicitor.

NOTE: While it may be possible to obtain an order for periodical allowance after dissolution of your civil partnership, the right to payment of a capital sum is lost once decree of dissolution is granted.

### PART 1 (continued)

## 7. DETAILS OF ISSUE OF INTERIM GENDER RECOGNITION CERTIFICATE

(i)	i) Please state whether the interim gender recognition certificate has been issued to you or your civil partner		
(ii)	Please state the date the interim gender recognition certificate was issued Day	Month	Year
As f	MENTAL DISORDER	YES	NO
	tal disorder? (whether mental illness, personality rder or learning disability) ( <i>Tick box which applies</i> )		
(If y	ves, give details)		
9. (	CHILDREN		
	there any children of the family under the age of 16? <i>k box which applies</i> )	YES	NO
10.	OTHER COURT ACTIONS		
in a	you aware of any court actions currently proceeding ny country (including Scotland) which may affect your l partnership? ( <i>Tick box which applies</i> )	YES	NO
(If y	ves, give details)		

## 11. DECLARATION AND REQUEST FOR DISSOLUTION OF CIVIL PARTNERSHIP

I confirm that the facts stated in Sections 1 - 10 above apply to my civil partnership.

I do not ask the Court to make any financial awards in connection with this application.

I request the Court to grant decree of dissolution from my civil partnership.

(Date)	(Signature of applicant)
	(Signature of applicant)

## PART 2

## **APPLICANT'S AFFIDAVIT**

# To be completed only after Part 1 has been signed and dated.

I, (insert Applicant's full name)				
residing at (insert Applicant's present home address)				
SWEAR that to the best of my knowledge	e and belief the facts stat	ed in Part 1 of this Application are true.		
Signature of applicant				
To be completed by Justice of the Peace, Notary Public, or Commissioner for Oaths	SWORN at (insert place)			
	this	day off	20	
	before me (insert full	name)		
	(insert full address)			
Signature				

\*Justice of the Peace/\*Notary Public/\*Commissioner for Oaths

\* Delete as appropriate