

## Supplementary form for divorced persons

Name.....

I trust you will appreciate that a church wedding conducted by a minister has to be approached from a Christian perspective as opposed to a purely secular one. This is particularly true in the case of the remarriage of divorcees. Also a Church of Scotland minister is under no obligation to conduct the remarriage of a divorcee against his or her conscience. In most cases it will depend on the circumstances.

The discussion of the circumstances of the break-up of a previous marriage although essential for the consideration of remarriage is always difficult. In order to minimise awkwardness and intrusion in the context of face to face discussion, I would be grateful if you could answer the following preliminary questions honestly to the best of your ability. *Please tick answers as appropriate*

- (1) (a) Have you been married before more than once? Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_  
(b) If 'yes' please state how many times you have been married before? \_\_\_\_\_
- (2) When was your decree absolute issued? \_\_\_\_\_
- (3) Was your present relationship the cause of the breakdown of the last marriage?  
Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_
- (4) Did you initiate the divorce? Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_
- (5) (a) Has your former spouse remarried? Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_  
(b) If 'No' would your former spouse be open to reconciliation (i) certainly \_\_\_ (ii) possibly\_\_\_  
(iii) never\_\_\_
- (6) Was the break up of the marriage due to adultery  
(i) on your part? \_\_\_  
(ii) On your former spouses part? \_\_\_\_\_
- (a) Please tick one of the following:-
- (i) I was largely to blame for the break-up of the marriage \_\_\_
- (ii) I was equally to blame \_\_\_
- (iii) I was not to blame \_\_\_
- (7) Which of the following responses represents most closely your attitude to your former spouse?  
(i) amicable\_\_\_ (ii) indifferent \_\_\_ (iii) hostile \_\_\_
- (8) Which of the following responses represents most closely the attitude of your former spouse to you?  
(i) amicable \_\_\_ (ii) indifferent \_\_\_ (iii) hostile \_\_\_
- (9) (a) Do you have children 15 years old or under? Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_  
(b) If 'yes' do you have custody? Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_

### Notes

- (i) These replies are confidential they will not be shared with a third party.  
(ii) If in any respect one or more answers are subsequently found to be untruthful I would reserve the right to cancel the wedding.

Please return form to Rev. Dr. D. Cameron McPherson , Dalserf Manse, Manse Brae, Dalserf, Larkhall ML9 3BN

If there are any comments you would like to make please use the other side of the form.