

## **General Synod Acceptance Act 2005**

### **As amended by the General Synod (Amendment) Act 2011 and the General Synod Acceptance Amendment Act 2015**

BE IT ENACTED: by the Bishop, the Clergy and the Laity of the Church of England in the Diocese of Bendigo duly met in Synod according to law as follows.

1. <sup>1</sup>This Act may be cited as the "General Synod Acceptance Act 2005" and will be referred to as the "Principal Act".
2. <sup>2</sup>The Canons of the General Synod of the Anglican Church of Australia described by their titles in the First Schedule have either been adopted by or assented to by the Synod of the Diocese of Bendigo.
3. The Canons of the General Synod of the Anglican Church of Australia described in the Second Schedule have been assented to by the Synod of the Diocese of Bendigo.
4. The Canons of the General Synod of the Anglican Church of Australia described in the Third Schedule have been adopted by the Synod of the Diocese of Bendigo.
5. The adoption of the Canons of the General Synod of the Anglican Church of Australia described in the Fourth Schedule has been withdrawn by the Synod of the Diocese of Bendigo.<sup>3</sup>
6. The Canons of the General Synod of the Anglican Church of Australia described in the Fifth Schedule have been assented to by Bishop-in-Council pursuant to Section 28A of the Constitution<sup>4</sup>

#### **First Schedule: General Synod Canons Adopted or Assented to**

No. 2, 1977	A Canon to amend the Long Service Leave Canon 1966 - 1973
No. 3, 1977	A Canon to provide relief for Ministers from the use of the surplice in certain cases
No. 4, 1977	A Canon to provide for the formation and administration of Missionary Dioceses
No. 5, 1977	A Canon to amend the Australian Clergy Provident Fund Canon No. 11 of 1973
No. 6, 1977	A Canon making provision for Godparents and Sponsors
No. 7, 1977	A Canon to ratify a Canon of the Provincial Synod of Western Australia

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<sup>1</sup> Amended by the General Synod (Amendment) Act 2011

<sup>2</sup> Sections 2, 3 and 4 substituted by the General Synod (Amendment) Act 2011

<sup>3</sup> Section 5 inserted by the General Synod Acceptance Amendment Act 2015

<sup>4</sup> Section 6 inserted by the Acceptance of Determinations of General Synod (Amendment) Act 2017

No. 2, 1981	A Bill to Alter the Constitution of the Anglican Church of Australia with respect to the mode of appointment of the Appellate Tribunal
No. 3, 1981	A Canon concerning the Solemnization of Matrimony
No. 5, 1981	A Canon to authorise the use of certain forms of service for Ministry to the Sick
No. 7, 1981	A Canon to amend the Offences Canon 1962
No. 12, 1981	A Canon to repeal the Appellate Tribunal Canon 1962 and to provide for the Appointment of Members to the Appellate Tribunal
No. 15, 1981	A Canon concerning Canon 99 of the Canons Ecclesiastical made in the year 1603 and the prohibition of the solemnization of matrimony between persons within certain prohibited relationships
No. 17, 1981	A Canon to amend the Appellate Tribunal Canon 1981 by inserting therein a Schedule
No. 2, 1981	A Canon to create the National Superannuation and Retirement Council
No. 11, 1981	A Canon to amend the Australian Clergy Provident Fund Canon 1966 - 1973
No. 16, 1981	A Canon to amend the Australian College of Theology Canon 1966 - 1973
No. 1, 1985	A Canon to authorise the use of a Service for the Reception into Communicant Membership of this Church of Baptised persons who were formerly Communicant Members of other Churches
No. 6, 1985	A Canon for the Admission of Children to Holy Communion
No. 7, 1985	A Canon to regulate the practice and procedure of this Church with respect to the Marriage of Divorced persons
No. 9, 1985	A Canon to amend the Long Service Leave Canon 1966 - 1973
No. 14, 1985	A Canon to amend the Provisions Governing the Australian Clergy Provident Fund
No. 16, 1985	A Canon to authorise the use of a Form of Service for the ordination of Deacons
No. 12, 1985	A Canon to alter the Constitution to Amend the definition of "Member"

No. 17, 1985	A Canon to authorise the use of certain Alternative Tables of Lessons
No. 18, 1985	A Canon to provide for the Ordination of Women to the Office of Deacon and for other purposes
No. 19, 1985	A Canon to provide for the Office of Bishop to the Defence Force, for the licensing of Chaplains serving in the Defence Force and for other purposes
No. 22, 1985	A Canon to alter the Constitution in relation to Deacons and the Houses of Synod
No. 1, 1987	A Bill to alter the Constitution with respect to Alteration of the Constitution
No. 1, 1987	A Bill for a Canon to alter the Constitution with respect to alteration of the Constitution
No. 2, 1987	A Bill for a Canon to amend the Long Service Leave Canon 1966 - 1985
No. 5, 1989	A Canon to alter the Constitution in relation to the making of Canons
No. 6, 1989	A Canon to alter the Constitution with respect to the title of a Primate who is not a Metropolitan
No. 9, 1989	A Canon to alter the Constitution in relation to Canonical fitness
No. P1, 1989	A Canon to repeal certain Canon Law
No. P2, 1989	A Canon concerning authority on certain matters
No. P3, 1989	A Canon concerning confessions
No. 2, 1989	A Bill to alter the Constitution in relation to the making of Canons
No. 3, 1989	A Bill to alter the Constitution with respect to the title of a Primate who is not a Metropolitan
No. 5, 1989	A Bill to alter the Constitution in relation to Canonical Fitness
No. 8, 1992	Long Service Leave Canon 1992
No. 1, 1992	Appellate Tribunal Canon Amendment Canon 1992
No. 7. 1992	Constitution Amendment (Section 51) Canon.
No. 9, 1992	A Canon concerning Authority on Certain Matters 1989

No. 10, 1992	Canon Concerning Confessions 1989
No. 11, 1992	Canon Law Repeal Canon 1989
No. 12, 1992	The Special Tribunal Procedure Canon 1992
No. 15, 1992	Alternative Table of Lessons Amendment Canon 1992
No. 17, 1992	Authorised Lay Ministry Canon 1992
No. 6, 1995	Long Service Leave Canon (Amendment) Canon 1995
No. 9, 1995	A Canon to amend the Constitution by amending the Table Annexed to the Constitution
No. 11, 1995	A Canon to provide for the amendment of the Missionary Dioceses Canon 1977 - 1985
No. 12, 1995	A Canon concerning Archdeacons
No. 15, 1995	Constitution Amendment (Interpretation) Canon 1995
No. 17, 1995	A Canon to amend the Constitution with respect to the persons who may be present at and move motions before the General Synod
No. 19, 1995	A Canon concerning Vesture of Ministers 1992
No. 1, 1985	Reception Canon 1985
No. 14, 1995	Reception Canon (Amendment) Canon 1995
No. 3, 1995	Constitution of a Diocese Alteration Canon 1995
No. 13, 1995	Prayer Book for Australia Canon 1995
No. 3, 1962	Special Tribunal Canon and the Board of Assessors 1962
No. 4, 1962	Offences Canon 1962-1981 (1992)
No. 7, 1981	Offences Amendment Canon 1981
No. 12, 1992	Special Tribunal Procedure Canon 1992
No. 5, 1962	**Board of Assessors (Appellate Tribunal) Canon 1962
No. 6, 1962	Appellate Tribunal Procedure Canon 1962 (-1992)
No. 12, 1992	** Australian Clergy Provident Fund Canon 1962
No. 5, 1995	Australian Clergy Provident Fund Canon 1995
No. 3, 1966	Consecration of Bishops Canon 1966

No. 4, 1966	The Assistant Bishops' Canon ** Long Service Leave Canon 1966	1966
No. 8, 1992	Long Service Leave Canon 1992-1995	
No. 6, 1995	Long Service Leave Canon (Amendment) 1995	
No. 14, 1966	See Finance and Information Canon 1966	
No. 16, 1966	The Anglican Church of Australia Canon *** Long Service Leave Amendment Canon 1969	1966
No. 6, 1969	Consecration of Bishops Amendment Canon 1969	
No. 7, 1969	Order of Deaconesses Canon 1969	
No. 7, 1973	Form of Declarations and Assents Canon ***Long Service Leave Amendment Canon 1973	1973
No. 12, 1973	Lay Assistants at Holy Communion Canon 1973	
No. 14, 1973	Admission to Holy Communion Canon 1973	
No. 6, 1995	A Canon to amend the Long Service Leave Canon No. 8 1992 and to make provision for lay membership and for other purposes	
No. 9, 1995	A Canon to amend the Constitution by amending the Table Annexed to the Constitution	
No. 11, 1995	A Canon to provide for the amendment of the Missionary Dioceses Canon 1977 - 1985	
No. 12, 1995	A Canon concerning Archdeacons	
No. 14, 1995	A Canon to amend the Reception Canon 1981	
No. 15, 1995	Constitution Amendment (Interpretation) Canon 1995	
No. 17, 1995	A Canon to amend the Constitution with respect to the persons who may be present at and move motions before the General Synod	
No. 19, 1995	A Canon concerning Vesture of Ministers 1992	
No. 11, 2004	The Constitution Amendment (Relations with Other Churches) Canon	
No. 13, 2004	Constitution Alteration (Chapter IX) Canon	
No. 10, 2004	Holy Orders Relinquishment and Deposition Canon 2004	
No. 2, 2007	Constitution Amendment (Diocesan Council) Canon 2007 29/8/2008	

<sup>5</sup> No. 6, 2007	Constitutional Alteration (Chapter IX) Canon Amendment Canon 2007	29/8/2008
No. 9, 2007	Long Service Leave Canon 2007	29/8/2008
No. 18, 2007	Constitution Amendment (Suspension of Bishops) Canon 2007	29/8/2008
No. P01, 2007	Solemnisation of Matrimony (Amendment) Canon 2007	29/8/2008

**<sup>6</sup>Second Schedule: General Synod Canons Assented to**

No. 1, 2010	Constitution Amendment (Diocesan Council) Amendment Canon 2010	23/7/2011
No. 3, 2010	Constitution Amendment (Appellate Tribunal Part Heard Matters) Canon 2010	23/7/2011
No. 7, 2010	Long Service Leave Canon 2010	23/7/2011
No. 12, 2010	Constitution Amendment (Chapter V) Canon 2010	23/7/2011
No. 8, 2010	Constitution Amendment (Section 30) Canon 2010	20/7/2012
No. 9, 2010	Constitution Amendment (Sentences of Tribunals) Canon 2010	20/7/2012
No. 8, 2007	Constitution Amendment (Section 10) Canon 2007	29/5/2015
No. 16, 2007	Constitution Amendment (Section 54A) Canon 2007	29/5/2015
No. 19, 2007	Constitution Amendment (Provinces and Dioceses) Canon 2007	29/5/2015
No. 4, 2014	Constitution Amendment (Membership of the Diocesan Tribunal) Canon 2014	29/5/2015
No. 5, 2014	Constitution Amendment (Membership of the Provincial Tribunal) Act 2014	29/5/2015

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<sup>5</sup> Consented to conditionally upon the Canon receiving the majority required by section 66(1) of the constitution

<sup>6</sup> Inserted by The General Synod (Amendment) Act 2011

### **<sup>7</sup>Third Schedule: General Synod Canons Adopted**

No. 14, 2007	Episcopal Standards Canon 2007	29/8/2008
No. P1, 2004	Holy Orders (Reception Into Ministry) Canon 2004	12/8/2006
No. P2, 2004	Canon Concerning Holy Orders 2004	12/8/2006
No. P4, 2004	Episcopal Standards Canon 2004	12/8/2006
No. 9, 2007	Long Service Leave Amendment Canon 2007	30/8/2008
No. 18, 1995	Bishop (Incapacity) Canon 1995	18/8/2013
No. 18, 1992	Law of The Church of England Clarification Canon 1992	29/5/2015
No. 17, 2007	Holy Orders (Reception Into Ministry) Canon 2004	29/5/2015
No. 10, 2007	Canon Concerning Holy Orders 2004	29/5/2015
No. 15, 2007	National Register Canon 2007 <sup>8</sup>	29/5/2015
No. 7, 2014	Holy Orders, Relinquishment and Deposition Canon 2004 Amendment Canon 2014	29/5/2015

### **Fourth Schedule: General Synod Canons Withdrawn<sup>9</sup>**

No. 4, 1966	The Assistant Bishops Canon 1966	20/7/2012
No. P4, 2004	Episcopal Standards Canon 2004	30/8/2008
No. 14, 2007	Episcopal Standards Canon 2007	29/5/2015

### **Fifth Schedule: General Synod Canons Assented to by Bishop-in-Council<sup>10</sup>**

Bill 02, 2015	Long Service Leave (Revision of Entitlement) Canon 2015	13/9/2016
Bill 01, 2015	NSW Provincial Synod Constitution Amendment Ratification Canon 2015	13/9/2016

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<sup>7</sup> Inserted by The General Synod (Amendment) Act 2011

<sup>8</sup> As amended by No. 13, 2010 and No. 9 2014

<sup>9</sup> Inserted by the General Synod Acceptance Amendment Act 2015

<sup>10</sup> Inserted by the Acceptance of Determinations of General Synod (Amendment) Act 2017

**Sixth Schedule: Provincial Ordinances applicable to Diocese of Bendigo<sup>11</sup>**

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Canonical Fitness of Bishops Ordinance 1979 26/5/17

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<sup>11</sup> Inserted by the Acceptance of Determinations of General Synod (Amendment) Act 2017