

AMENDING CANON No 27
(Of relations with other Churches, of local ecumenical projects, of ministers exercising their ministry and of the licensing of Ministers under seal

1. Canon B 43 (of relations with other Churches) shall be amended as follows.
2. After paragraph 1 there shall be inserted the following paragraph-

“1A. Where a bishop’s mission order contains a provision under section 47(11) of the Dioceses, Pastoral and Mission Measure 2007 authorising a minister to exercise his or her ministry in any place and divine service may be performed in that place under section 47(13) or (14), the leader or leaders of the mission initiative endorsed by the order may, with the approval of the bishop or bishops who made the order and, in the case of a place mentioned in section 47(14), with the consent of the minister having the cure of souls in that place, invite any person mentioned in paragraph 1(1) above to perform any of the duties therein mentioned in the place where divine service is authorised to be performed.”.
3. After paragraph 3 there shall be inserted the following paragraph-

“3A. Where a bishop’s mission order contains a provision under section 47(11) of the Dioceses, Pastoral and Mission Measure 2007 any minister authorised to exercise his or her ministry in any place by the order but who does not hold any office in the place in question and who receives from a person authorised by a Church to which this Canon applies an invitation to take part in a service may, notwithstanding any provision of any Canon, with the approval of the bishop or bishops who made the order, in the course of that service perform any duty assigned to him or her if the provisions of paragraph 3(a) are satisfied with respect to the invitation.”.
4. After paragraph 6 there shall be inserted the following paragraph-

“6A. Notwithstanding any provision of any Canon, a deaconess, lay worker or reader of the Church of England, who is authorised by or under a bishop’s mission order to perform any duties in any place and who receives from a person authorised by a Church to which this Canon applies an invitation to take part in a service may, in the course of that service, and with the approval of the bishop or bishops who made the order perform any duty assigned to him or her which satisfies the condition in paragraph 6(a) above.”.
5. After paragraph 10 there shall be inserted the following paragraph-

“10A. Where a bishop’s mission order contains a provision under section 47(13) or (14) of the Dioceses, Pastoral and Mission Measure 2007 the leader

or leaders of the mission initiative endorsed by the order may, with the approval of the bishop or bishops who made the order, and on such occasions as may be specified by him or them,-

(a) invite members of another Church to which this Canon applies to take part in joint worship with the Church of England in any church, building or place mentioned in section 47(13) or (14) with the consent, in the case of a building mentioned in section 47(13), of the person who has the general management and control of the building and, in the case of a church or place mentioned in section 47(14), with the consent of any minister having the cure of souls in that church or place; and

(b) invite members of another Church to which this Canon applies to use a building mentioned in section 47(13) with the consent of the person who has the general management and control of that building.”.

6. Canon B 44 (of local ecumenical projects) shall be amended by the insertion, after paragraph 7, of the following paragraph-

“7A.(1) Where a local ecumenical project is established or to be established in connection with a bishop’s mission order made under section 47 or 50 of the Dioceses, Pastoral and Mission Measure 2007 the bishop or bishops who made or who are to make the order may, after such consultation as he or they think appropriate, including such consultation as is required by section 47(8) or 49(3) of that Measure, enter into an agreement with the appropriate authority of each participating Church with regard to the participation of the Church of England in that project.

(2) A bishop shall not enter into an agreement under sub-paragraph (1) above unless the participation of the Church of England in the project concerned has been approved by the diocesan mission and pastoral committee.

(3) The provisions of paragraphs 2 to 5 above shall, so far as practicable, apply in relation to an agreement made or project participated in by virtue of this paragraph as they apply in relation to an agreement made or project participated in by virtue of paragraph 1 above, subject to the following modifications-

(a) for any reference to the area of the project there shall be substituted a reference to the area in which the initiative endorsed by the bishop’s mission order is being or is to be carried out, except that for any reference to a place of worship in paragraph 4(1)(c) or (f) and any reference to an area in paragraph 4(1)(d) or (e) there shall be substituted a reference to a place where divine service is authorised to be performed by the bishop’s mission order in pursuance of section 47 (13) or (14) of the Dioceses, Pastoral and Mission Measure 2007.

- (b) for the reference to clerks in holy orders, deaconesses, lay workers and readers beneficed in or licensed to a parish there shall be substituted a reference to any clerk in holy orders, deaconess, lay worker or reader licensed in connection with the bishop's mission order; and
 - (c) any reference to an incumbent or parochial church council shall be omitted and paragraph 4(1) shall apply so that any such provision as is referred to in any of sub-paragraphs (c) to (f) of that paragraph shall have effect in relation to a place where divine service is authorised to be performed pursuant to section 47(14) of the Dioceses, Pastoral and Mission Measure 2007 only with the consent of any minister having the cure of souls in that place.”
7. Canon C 8 (of ministers exercising their ministry) shall be amended by the addition in paragraph 4 thereof at the end of the words “or in the case of a bishop's mission order to the extent authorised by section 47(11) of the Dioceses, Pastoral and Mission Measure 2007, read with section 47(14) of that Measure”.
8. Canon C 12 (of the licensing of ministers under seal) shall be amended by the insertion in paragraph 1(b) thereof-
- (a) after the words “particular office,” of the words “or to serve for the purposes of or in connection with a mission initiative endorsed by a bishop's mission order”, and
 - (b) after the word “applies” of the words “or to serve as aforesaid”.