

PROVINCE OF YORK

**Application for Permission under the Overseas and Other
Clergy (Ministry and Ordination) Measure 1967**

(Overseas Permission to Officiate – OPTO)



APPLICANT'S INFORMATION	
Applicant's Title and Christian Name(s)	
Applicant's Surname	
Applicant's Name <i>(if commonly referred to by a different name)</i>	
Email Address	
Telephone Number <i>(including international dialling code)</i>	
Home Address	
Name of <u>Church of England Diocese</u> in which applicant wishes to officiate	
APPLICANT'S ORDINATION INFORMATION	
APPLICANT DEACON	
Date of Ordination as a Deacon	
Full Name of the Ordaining Bishop	
Province/Church of the Ordaining Bishop	
Diocese of the Ordaining Bishop	
APPLICANT PRIEST	
Date of Ordination as a Priest	
Full Name of the Ordaining Bishop	
Province/Church of the Ordaining Bishop	
Diocese of the Ordaining Bishop	
APPLICANT BISHOP	
<i>(ONLY complete if the Archbishops' consent and licence to exercise <u>EPISCOPAL</u> ministry is sought)</i>	
Date of Ordination as a Bishop	
Full Name of the Principal Ordaining Archbishop <i>(or Bishop)</i>	
Diocese of the Principal Ordaining Archbishop <i>(or Bishop)</i>	

Province/Church of the Principal Ordaining Bishop	
DURATION OF THE ARCHBISHOP'S PERMISSION (OPTO)	
<p>Time Period for which the permission is sought <i>(Please specify the number of years or whether the permission is to be without limit of time i.e. indefinite duration. N.B. this must NOT exceed the time for which the applicant has the legal right to remain in the U.K.)</i></p>	
DECLARATION – APPLICANT PRIESTS & DEACONS	
I, the above named, apply for permission to officiate as a [priest] or [deacon] in the Province of York. I understand that I additionally need authority to officiate from the Bishop of the relevant Diocese.	
	APPLICANT PRIEST'S/DEACON'S SIGNATURE ↑
DECLARATION – EPISCOPAL APPLICANT <i>(Bishops seeking the Archbishop's consent and licence to exercise <u>episcopal</u> ministry)</i>	
I, the above named, seek the Archbishop's consent and licence to exercise episcopal functions in the Province of York. I understand that I may exercise episcopal functions only at the request and by the commission in writing of the bishop of the relevant Church of England diocese.	
	APPLICANT BISHOP'S SIGNATURE ↑
DECLARATION – CHURCH OF ENGLAND BISHOP	
Subject to the grant of the Archbishop's permission under the 1967 Measure, I am ready to grant authority to this applicant to officiate in my diocese (by admission to a benefice, or by granting a licence or permission to officiate) for the period stated above. I have complied with the requirements under the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 concerning safer recruitment in making my decision. In the case of an applicant who is to be <u>licensed or admitted to a benefice</u> , the applicant has been referred to the <u>Ministry Division's Candidate's Panel</u> if a reference is required by the current Archbishops' Council policy. I have also been provided with evidence that the applicant has the <u>legal right to remain in the U.K.</u> for the duration of the period for which permission is sought.	
	CHURCH OF ENGLAND BISHOP'S SIGNATURE ↑
	DATE:

The following documents MUST be provided with this application:

- i. Copy of Letters of Orders (Deacon) (or other documentary proof of ordination)
- ii. Copy of Letters of Orders (Priest) (or other documentary proof of ordination)
- iii. Letter of Recommendation from the Bishop of the diocese in which the applicant currently serves indicating that he or she is in good standing. In the case of a bishop – a letter of recommendation from the local Archbishop.

The application cannot be processed if any of these documents are not provided.