

# EQUAL MARRIAGE

- What do you think?



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**The Scottish Government** have just launched their consultation on marriage equality and say that their view is to **support the introduction of same-sex marriage**.

**UNISON's national conference** voted overwhelmingly in favour of a motion from the LGBT group calling **for marriage and civil partnership to be open to all couples, whatever their sexual orientation or gender**. The conference took place in Manchester on 21-24 June.

The motion called for UNISON to campaign for full marriage equality, for automatic recognition in the UK of same sex marriages registered in other countries, and for increased recognition of same sex marriage and civil partnership in the European Union and internationally.

We therefore welcome the consultation and will be responding to this. We would urge individuals to respond as well and give their personal views.

**The consultation paper can be found**  
<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2011/09/05153328/0>

