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SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1999 No. 104**

**REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS,  
DEATHS, MARRIAGES, ETC.**

The Registration of Births, Still-Births,  
Deaths and Marriages (Prescription of Forms)  
(Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1999

*Made* - - - - *21st September 1999*

*Coming into force* - - *1st January 2000*

The Registrar General, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by sections 13(1), 18(1), 21(2), 32(1), 54(1)(b) and 56 of the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Scotland) Act 1965(1) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf and with the approval of the Scottish Ministers under section 54 of that Act(2), hereby makes the following Regulations:

**Citation, commencement and interpretation**

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Registration of Births, Still-Births, Deaths and Marriages (Prescription of Forms) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1999 and shall come into force on 1st January 2000.

(2) In these Regulations, “the principal Regulations” means the Registration of Births, Still-Births, Deaths and Marriages (Prescription of Forms) (Scotland) Regulations 1997(3).

**Amendment of the principal Regulations**

2. For the form set out in Schedule 2 to the principal Regulations there shall be substituted the form set out in Schedule 1 to these Regulations.

3. For the form set out in Schedule 6 to the principal Regulations there shall be substituted the form set out in Schedule 2 to these Regulations.

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(1) 1965, c. 49; section 18 was amended by paragraphs 8(2) and (3) of Schedule 1 to the Law Reform (Parent and Child) (Scotland) Act 1986 (c. 9); section 32(1) was amended by the Marriage (Scotland) Act 1977 (c. 15), Schedule 2, paragraph 8; section 56 contains a definition of “prescribed” relevant to the exercise of statutory powers under which these Regulations are made.  
(2) The functions of the Secretary of State were transferred to the Scottish Ministers by virtue of section 53 of the Scotland Act 1998 (c. 46).  
(3) S.I.1997/2348, amended by S.I.1998/2285

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4. For the form set out in Schedule 21 to the principal Regulations there shall be substituted the form set out in Schedule 3 to these Regulations.

5. For the form set out in Schedule 22 to the principal Regulations there shall be substituted the form set out in Schedule 4 to these Regulations.

New Register House,  
Edinburgh  
16th September 1999

*J N RANDALL*  
Registrar General for Scotland

Approved by the Scottish Ministers

St Andrew's House,  
Edinburgh  
21st September 1999

*JIM WALLACE*  
A member of the Scottish Executive

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SCHEDULE 1

Regulation 2

(Section 13(1) of the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Scotland) Act 1965)

<b>STILL-BIRTH</b> Registered in the district of				District No.	Year	Entry No.
1. Forename(s)					2. Sex	
Surname(s)						
3. When still-born				4. Where still-born		
5. Date and place of parents' marriage				Year	Month	Day
				Place		
6. Mother's forename(s) and surname(s)					7. Mother's maiden surname	
8. Mother's usual residence (if different from 4. above)						
9. Mother's occupation						
10. Father's forename(s) and surname(s)						
11. Father's occupation						
12. Cause or probable cause of death						
I (a) _____						
(b) _____						
(c) _____						
(d) _____						
II _____						
_____						
Certifying registered medical practitioner or midwife						
13. Signature of informant and how qualified to give information						
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14. When registered	Year	Month	Day	15. _____		
				..... Registrar		
16.						
17.						

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SCHEDULE 2

Regulation 3

CERTIFICATE OF STILL-BIRTH

FORM 6  
F(6) 000001

(Section 21(2) of the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Scotland) Act 1965)

For registration office use	
Year .....	
RD Number .....	
Entry No .....	

This certificate must be delivered to the Registrar of Births, Deaths and Marriages when the still-birth is registered. It is not an authority for burial or cremation. See the back of this form for notes about registration of a still-birth

Section 56(1) of the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Scotland) Act 1965, as amended by section 1(2) of the Still-Birth (Definition) Act 1992, defines "still-born child" as meaning "a child which has issued forth from its mother after the twenty fourth week of pregnancy and which did not at any time after being completely expelled from its mother breathe or show any other signs of life", and provides that the expression "still-birth" shall be construed accordingly.

To the Registrar of Births, Deaths and Marriages

\*I was present at the still-birth of a \*male/female child

{ \* Delete whichever  
{ does not apply

\*I have examined the body of a \*male/female child which I am informed and believe was still-born

Time of still-birth <small>(Please use the 24-hour clock)</small>	Hour	Minute	Date of still-birth	Day	Month	Year

Name of mother .....

Place of still-birth .....

I hereby certify that the child was not born alive and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the cause or probable cause of death, and the estimated duration of pregnancy of the mother were as stated below

CAUSE OF DEATH <i>(Please print clearly)</i>		Not to be entered in register Estimated duration of pregnancy
<b>I</b>	<b>I</b>	
Fetal or maternal condition Directly causing death	(a) ..... due to	
Antecedent causes	(b) ..... due to	
Fetal or maternal conditions, if any, giving rise to the above cause, the underlying condition to be stated last	(c) ..... due to	
	(d) .....	<i>weeks</i>
<b>II</b>	<b>II</b>	Weight of fetus if known
Other significant conditions of fetus or mother contributing to the death, but not related to the disease or condition causing it	..... .....	<i>grammes</i>

Please tick the relevant box

Time of Death

- AP  Death occurred before the onset of labour  
or (ante-partum)
- IP  Death occurred during the labour  
or (intra-partum)
- NK  Time of death was unknown

Post-Mortem

- PM1  Post-mortem has been done and  
or Information is included above
- PM2  Post-mortem information may be  
or Available later
- PM3  No post-mortem is being done

Signature ..... Date .....

Name in BLOCK CAPITALS .....

Registered medical qualifications or registration number if a registered midwife .....

Official Address .....

The doctor/midwife has given you this form so that you can arrange for the still-birth to be registered. Once the still-birth is registered, the local registrar will keep this form, but can, with the Registrar General's authority, issue extracts of the entry in the register of still-births.

**Who should tell the local registrar about the still-birth**

One of the following people must go to the registration office and tell the local registrar about the still-birth:-

- the father, or
- the mother,

or in the case of the death or inability of the father and mother any of the following:-

- a relative of either parent being a relative who has knowledge of the still-birth
- the occupier of the premises in which the child was, to the knowledge of that occupier, still-born,
- a person present at the still-birth

In this context "father" and "parent" do not include a father who is not married to the mother and has not been married to her since the child's conception.

**Where to take the form**

In Scotland, a still-birth may be registered:-

- either in the registration district where it takes place,
- or in the registration district where the mother lived (the district of "usual residence").

Usual residence means the parental home and not an address such as a holiday address where the mother might have been staying at the time of the still-birth.

If you need advice about what to do with the form, please telephone any local registrar in Scotland (see 'Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages' in the telephone book).

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SCHEDULE 3

Regulation 4

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Form 26

SCHEDULE 3



**DECLARATION BY THE MOTHER OF A CHILD**

*(Section 18(1)(b)(i)(aa) of the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Scotland) Act 1965)*

I .....

residing at .....

..... Postcode.....

DO HEREBY SOLEMNLY AND SINCERELY DECLARE that .....

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whose usual address is .....

..... Postcode.....

is the father of the \*female/male child named .....

.....

born to me on .....

at .....

Dated this ..... day of .....

Signature .....

Declared before me at .....

on the .....

day of .....

..... Registrar for

the registration district of .....

This declaration must be accompanied by a statutory declaration by the person named above as the father acknowledging himself to be the father of the child.

**WARNING:** A person who gives false information may be found guilty of a criminal offence.

\*delete as applicable

SCHEDULE 4

Regulation 5

Regulation 5

Form 27

SCHEDULE 4



**DECLARATION BY THE FATHER OF A CHILD**

*(Section 18(1)(c)(i) of the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Scotland) Act 1965)*

I .....  
residing at .....  
..... Postcode .....

DO HEREBY SOLEMNLY AND SINCERELY DECLARE that I am the father of  
the \*female/male child named .....  
and born on .....  
at .....  
to .....  
whose usual address is .....  
..... Postcode .....

Dated this ..... day of .....

Signature .....

Declared before me at .....  
on the .....  
day of .....  
..... Registrar for  
the registration district of .....

This declaration must be accompanied by a statutory declaration by the mother stating that the person making the declaration above is the father of the child.

**WARNING:** A person who gives false information may be found guilty of a criminal offence.

\*delete as applicable

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These regulations amend the Registration of Births, Still-Births, Deaths and Marriages (Prescription of Forms) (Scotland) Regulations 1997.

A revised certificate of still-birth is substituted to enable more detail to be provided about the sequence of events leading to death and contains minor drafting amendments (regulation 3). The stillbirth register page is substituted as a consequence of the changes made to the certificate of stillbirth (regulation 2).

A revised declaration by the mother of a child (regulation 4) and declaration by the father of a child (regulation 5) are substituted to remove the reference to the parents not being married to each other