



Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Scotland) Act 1965

1965 CHAPTER 49

PART V

GENERAL

Registers

32 Provision of registers etc. by Registrar General.

(1) Registers of births, still-births, deaths and marriages and the Register of Corrections Etc. shall be in such form as may be respectively prescribed and the Registrar General shall provide the district registrar of every registration district with a sufficient number of such registers and of such certificates, schedules, notices, forms and other documents as he may require for the performance of his functions under this Act [^{F1}and the ^{M1}Marriage (Scotland) Act 1977.]

[^{F2}(1A) A register of births, deaths, still-births or marriages or the Register of Corrections Etc. may, if the Registrar General so determines, be electronic rather than paper-based.]

(2) All registers and documents provided by virtue of [^{F3}subsection (1) above] shall remain the property of the Registrar General.

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words added by [Marriage \(Scotland\) Act 1977 \(c. 15\), Sch. 2 para. 8](#)
- F2** [S. 32\(1A\)](#) inserted (1.10.2006) by [Local Electoral Administration and Registration Services \(Scotland\) Act 2006 \(asp 14\), ss. 43\(2\)\(a\), 63\(2\); S.S.I. 2006/469, art. 2, Sch. 1 \(with art. 4\)](#)
- F3** Words in [s. 32\(2\)](#) substituted (1.10.2006) by [Local Electoral Administration and Registration Services \(Scotland\) Act 2006 \(asp 14\), ss. 43\(2\)\(b\), 63\(2\); S.S.I. 2006/469, art. 2, Sch. 1 \(with art. 4\)](#)

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Scotland) Act 1965, Cross Heading: Registers. (See end of Document for details)

Marginal Citations

M1 1977 c. 15.

33 Duplicate and copy registers.

- (1) The Registrar General may from time to time direct any district registrar to make in respect of his district a duplicate or copy of any register of births, deaths or marriages, and any entry in a duplicate or copy so made shall be of the same legal force and effect as the corresponding entry in the appropriate register.
- (2) Any duplicate or copy register so made shall be retained in the custody of the district registrar.

[^{F4} 34 Examination and transmission of registers

- (1) The district examiner, or such other officer as may be nominated for the purpose by the Registrar General, shall, at such time or times and in such manner as the Registrar General may direct, examine the unexamined part of a relevant register kept or held by a district registrar within the district examiner's district.
- (2) An examination under subsection (1) above shall include an examination of any entry in the Register of Corrections Etc. which relates to an entry in a part of a relevant register which is the subject of the examination.
- (3) On completion of an examination under subsection (1) above—
 - (a) the district registrar shall endorse the register so examined, and
 - (b) the district examiner shall—
 - (i) endorse that register, and
 - (ii) transmit to the Registrar General a report of any circumstances arising from the examination to which he considers that the attention of the Registrar General should be drawn.
- (4) The district registrar for a registration district shall, at such time or times as the Registrar General may direct, transmit a relevant register to the Registrar General.
- (5) In this section—

“the unexamined part” of a register is that part of the register which has not previously been examined under subsection (1) above, and

“the relevant registers” are—

 - (a) the registers of births, still-births, deaths and marriages, and
 - (b) any duplicate or copy registers kept in pursuance of directions given by the Registrar General under section 33 of this Act.]

Textual Amendments

F4 S. 34 substituted (1.10.2006) by [Local Electoral Administration and Registration Services \(Scotland\) Act 2006 \(asp 14\)](#), ss. 43(3), 63(2); S.S.I. 2006/469, art. 2, Sch. 1 (with art. 4)

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Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** S. 34 applied by 2004 c. 33, s. 98(1) (as substituted (1.10.2006 for specified purposes, 1.1.2007 in so far as not already in force) by [Local Electoral Administration and Registration Services \(Scotland\) Act 2006 \(asp 14\)](#), **ss. 52(6)**, 63(2); S.S.I. 2006/469, arts. 2, 3, Schs. 1, 2 (with art. 4))

^{F5}35 **Reproduction of registers.**

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Textual Amendments

- F5** S. 35 repealed (1.10.2006) by [Local Electoral Administration and Registration Services \(Scotland\) Act 2006 \(asp 14\)](#), **ss. 43(4)**, 63(2); S.S.I. 2006/469, art. 2, Sch. 1 (with art. 4)

36 **Replacement of lost registers etc.**

- (1) If any register in the custody of a district registrar, ^{F6}..., shall be lost, destroyed or mutilated or shall have become illegible, in whole or in part, such fact shall be forthwith communicated to the Registrar General, and the register in the custody of a district registrar which shall have been mutilated or become illegible shall be immediately transmitted to the Registrar General.
- (2) The Registrar General shall cause any such register to be corrected or completed or a new register to be made by any process which to him seems fit, and any such corrected, completed or new register which is duly authenticated by the signature of the Registrar General shall be of the same legal force and effect as the original register.

Textual Amendments

- F6** Words in s. 36(1) repealed (1.10.2006) by [Local Electoral Administration and Registration Services \(Scotland\) Act 2006 \(asp 14\)](#), **ss. 43(5)**, 63(2); S.S.I. 2006/469, art. 2, Sch. 1 (with art. 4)

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