



Births and Deaths Registration Act 1953

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PART III

GENERAL

Searches and Certificates

30 Searches of indexes kept by Registrar General.

(1) The Registrar General shall cause indexes of all certified copies of entries in registers sent to him under this Act or under any enactment repealed by this Act to be made and kept in the General Register Office.

[^{F1}(1A) The Registrar General shall cause an index to be made and kept in the General Register Office of the entries in the register kept by him under section 3A of this Act.]

(2) Any person shall be entitled to search the said indexes at any time when the General Register Office is open for that purpose, and to have a certified copy of any entry in the said certified copies, on payment to the Registrar General or to such other person as may be appointed to act on his behalf of the following fees respectively, that is to say—

- (a)^{F2}
(c) for every certified copy, the sum of [^{F3}£7.00].

(3) The foregoing provisions of this section shall not apply to certified copies of entries in registers of still–births, but the Registrar General may, if he sees fit in any particular case and on payment as aforesaid of the appropriate fee aforesaid, cause a search to be made for, and allow any person to have a certified copy of, any entry in any such certified copies or in any filled register of still–births which has been forwarded to him.

Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)

F1 S. 30(1A) inserted by [Children Act 1975 \(c. 72\)](#), [Sch. 3 para. 13\(4\)](#)

F2 S. 30(2)(a)(b) repealed by [S.I. 1968/1242](#), [Sch. 2](#)

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F3 Fee in s. 30(2)(c) substituted (1.4.2003) by S.I. 2002/3076, art. 2, **Sch.**

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C1 S. 30(1)(2) extended with modifications by S.I. 1982/1526, art. 2, Sch. 1 Pts. I, **II**

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- s. 30(2) words omitted by 2016 c. 19 Sch. 15 para. 23(a)
- s. 30(2)(c) amendment to earlier affecting provision S.I. 2010/441, Sch. by S.I. 2012/760 art. 3 4
- s. 30(2)(c) amendment to earlier affecting provision S.I. 2010/441, Sch. by S.I. 2014/1790 art. 2
- s. 30(2)(c) fee substituted by S.I. 2010/441 art. 2 Sch.
- s. 30(3) words omitted by 2016 c. 19 Sch. 15 para. 23(b)

Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

- Act extended by 2002 c. 38 s. 78(4)

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 1(2)(a) (aa) substituted for s. 1(2)(a) by 2009 c. 24 Sch. 6 para. 2(2)
- s. 1(3) inserted by 2008 c. 22 Sch. 6 para. 2
- s. 1(3) substituted by 2009 c. 24 Sch. 6 para. 2(3)
- s. 1(4) inserted by 2009 c. 24 Sch. 6 para. 2(4)
- s. 2(1) s. 2 renumbered as s. 2(1) by 2008 c. 22 Sch. 6 para. 3
- s. 2(1) words inserted by 2009 c. 24 Sch. 6 para. 3(2)
- s. 2(2) inserted by 2008 c. 22 Sch. 6 para. 3
- s. 2(2) words substituted by 2009 c. 24 Sch. 6 para. 3(3)
- s. 2A-2E inserted by 2009 c. 24 Sch. 6 para. 4
- s. 9(3A) inserted by 2009 c. 24 Sch. 6 para. 10(2)
- s. 9(4A) inserted by 2003 c. 24 Sch. para. 1
- s. 9(6) inserted by 2009 c. 24 Sch. 6 para. 10(3)
- s. 10(1)(h) and word inserted by 2009 c. 24 Sch. 6 para. 11(2)(d)
- s. 10(1B) inserted by 2008 c. 22 Sch. 6 para. 5(3)
- s. 10(1B) words substituted by 2009 c. 24 Sch. 6 para. 11(3)(a)
- s. 10(1B)(b)(ii) substituted by 2009 c. 24 Sch. 6 para. 11(3)(b)
- s. 10(1B)(c)(ii) substituted by 2009 c. 24 Sch. 6 para. 11(3)(c)
- s. 10(1B)(g) and word inserted by 2009 c. 24 Sch. 6 para. 11(3)(d)
- s. 10(1C) inserted by 2009 c. 24 Sch. 6 para. 11(4)
- s. 10(1C) s. 10(2)(b) words substituted by 2009 c. 24 Sch. 6 para. 11(5)
- s. 10(1C) s. 10(2A)(b) words substituted by 2009 c. 24 Sch. 6 para. 11(5)
- s. 10(2A) inserted by 2008 c. 22 Sch. 6 para. 5(4)
- s. 10A(1)(ff) inserted by 2003 c. 24 Sch. para. 4
- s. 10A(1)(ff) substituted by 2008 c. 22 Sch. 6 para. 7(3)(b)
- s. 10A(1B) inserted by 2008 c. 22 Sch. 6 para. 7(4)
- s. 10A(1B)(b)(ii) substituted by 2009 c. 24 Sch. 6 para. 12(3)(a)
- s. 10A(1B)(c)(ii) substituted by 2009 c. 24 Sch. 6 para. 12(3)(b)
- s. 10A(2)(b)-(cc) substituted for s. 10A(2)(b)(c) by 2008 c. 22 Sch. 6 para. 7(5)
- s. 10A(2)(bb) inserted by 2003 c. 24 Sch. para. 5
- s. 10B 10C inserted by 2009 c. 24 Sch. 6 para. 13
- s. 10ZA inserted by 2003 c. 24 Sch. para. 3
- s. 10ZA substituted by 2008 c. 22 Sch. 6 para. 6
- s. 10ZA(3)(a) modified by 2003 c. 24 s. 3(6)(c)
- s. 13(1A) inserted by S.I. 2006/2809 art. 2(3)
- s. 13(1ZA) inserted by 2008 c. 22 Sch. 6 para. 8
- s. 16(2)(ba) inserted by 2009 c. 25 Sch. 21 para. 8(2)(c)
- s. 16(4) inserted by 2009 c. 25 Sch. 21 para. 8(5)

- s. 17(2)(aa) inserted by 2009 c. 25 Sch. 21 para. 9(2)(b)
- s. 17(4) inserted by 2009 c. 25 Sch. 21 para. 9(4)
- s. 18(1) s. 18 renumbered as s. 18(1) by 2009 c. 25 Sch. 21 para. 10(5)
- s. 18(2) inserted by 2009 c. 25 Sch. 21 para. 10(5)
- s. 23(2) (2ZA) substituted for s. 23(2) by 2009 c. 25 Sch. 21 para. 15(2)
- s. 23(2A)-(2C) substituted for s. 23(2A) by 2009 c. 25 Sch. 21 para. 15(3)
- s. 26(1B) s. 26(2) renumbered as s. 26(1B) by S.I. 2009/2821 art. 15
- s. 26(1B) words substituted by S.I. 2009/2821 art. 15
- s. 26(3)(4) inserted by S.I. 2006/2809 art. 3(4)
- s. 27(1) s. 27 renumbered as s. 27(1) by S.I. 2006/2809 art. 4(2)
- s. 27(1) words substituted by S.I. 2006/2809 art. 4(3)
- s. 27(2) inserted by S.I. 2006/2809 art. 4(4)
- s. 29(3A) (3B) inserted by 2009 c. 25 Sch. 21 para. 18(2)
- s. 30(4) inserted by S.I. 2006/2809 art. 6
- s. 33A inserted by 2009 c. 25 Sch. 21 para. 19
- s. 33A(1) words substituted by 2016 c. 19 Sch. 15 para. 27(a)
- s. 33A(3) omitted by 2016 c. 19 Sch. 15 para. 27(b)
- s. 34A inserted by 2015 c. 20 s. 98(2)
- s. 34A(2) omitted by 2016 c. 19 Sch. 15 para. 28
- s. 36(aa) inserted by 2009 c. 24 Sch. 6 para. 15
- s. 38A inserted by 2016 c. 19 Sch. 15 para. 2
- s. 39A inserted by 2009 c. 24 Sch. 6 para. 17
- s. 39A(1)(c) word inserted by 2016 c. 19 Sch. 15 para. 30(a)
- s. 39A(2) words inserted by 2016 c. 19 Sch. 15 para. 30(b)
- s. 39A(5) words substituted by 2015 c. 20 s. 98(4)
- s. 39A(5) words substituted by 2016 c. 19 Sch. 15 para. 30(c)
- s. 41(1) s. 41 renumbered as s. 41(1) by 2009 c. 25 Sch. 21 para. 21(2)
- s. 41(1) words substituted by 2016 c. 19 Sch. 15 para. 31
- s. 41(2) (3) inserted by 2009 c. 25 Sch. 21 para. 21(2)

Commencement Orders yet to be applied to the Births and Deaths Registration Act 1953

Commencement Orders bringing legislation that affects this Act into force:

- S.I. 2003/3079 art. 2 commences (2002 c. 38)
- S.I. 2003/3095 art. 2 commences (2003 c. 24)
- S.I. 2005/54 art. 2 commences (2004 c. 7)
- S.I. 2005/2213 art. 2 3 commences (2002 c. 38)
- S.I. 2005/2897 art. 2 commences (2002 c. 38)
- S.I. 2005/3175 art. 2 3 Sch. 1 2 commences (2004 c. 33)
- S.I. 2009/479 art. 2-6 commences (2008 c. 22)
- S.I. 2012/1256 art. 2(2)(b) commences (2009 c. 24)