
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1988 No. 80 (S.9)

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

The Registration of Births, Deaths, Marriages
and Divorces (Fees) (Scotland) Regulations 1988

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| <i>Made</i> | - - - - | <i>21st January 1988</i> |
| <i>Laid before Parliament</i> | | <i>29th January 1988</i> |
| <i>Coming into force</i> | - - | <i>1st April 1988</i> |

The Registrar General, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by sections 28A(4), 37(2) and (3), 38(2) and (3), 40(1), 43(8), 47 and 54 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 Secretary of State, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Registration of Births, Deaths, Marriages and Divorces (Fees) (Scotland) Regulations 1988 and shall come into force on 1st April 1988.

Interpretation

2. In these Regulations—

“the Act” means the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Scotland) Act 1965;

“general search” means a search, over any period of years for any number of entries, made by any person with the permission of the Registrar General or the district registrar;

“particular search” means a search for a specified entry caused to be made by the Registrar General or made by a district registrar.

Fees payable to Registrar General

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2) of this regulation and regulation 5, the fees payable under the provisions of the Act specified in column 1 of Schedule 1 to these Regulations for the services

(1) 1965 c. 49; section 28A was inserted by section 50(1) of the Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Act 1985 (c. 73)

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described in column 2 of that Schedule shall (in place of the amounts previously prescribed which are specified in column 3 thereof **(2)**) be the amounts specified in column 4 of that Schedule.

(2) The Registrar General may, on application by any body or organisation not operating for profit, determine an annual inclusive fee for general searches made by such body or organisation in lieu of the fees for general searches as set out in Schedule 1 to these Regulations, and any fee so determined shall not exceed the fees otherwise payable under the said Schedule, and shall be subject to annual review thereafter.

Fees payable to district registrars

4. Subject to regulation 5, the fees payable under the provisions of the Act specified in column 1 of Schedule 2 to these Regulations for the services described in column 2 of that Schedule shall (in place of the amounts previously prescribed which are specified in column 3 thereof **(3)**) be the amounts specified in column 4 of that Schedule.

Remission of fees

5. The Registrar General may remit any fee or part of a fee where the payment of the fee is likely to cause hardship to the person by whom it is payable or the service in respect of which the fee is payable is performed for research purposes.

Revocation

6. The Registration of Births, Deaths, Marriages and Divorces (Fees) (Scotland) Regulations 1986 **(4)** are hereby revoked.

New Register House,
Edinburgh
20th January 1988

C M Glennie
Registrar General

Approved by the Secretary of State.

New St Andrew's House,
Edinburgh
21st January 1988

Michael B Forsyth
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, Scottish
Office

(2) Column 3 of Schedule 1 shows the amounts which were payable under S.I. [1986/2256](#)
(3) Column 3 of Schedule 2 shows the amounts which were payable under S.I. [1986/2256](#)
(4) S.I. [1986/2256](#)

SCHEDULE 1

Regulation 3(1)

FEES PAYABLE TO REGISTRAR GENERAL

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|---|--|-----------------------------|--|
| <i>Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Scotland) Act 1965</i> | <i>Service</i> | <i>Fee formerly payable</i> | <i>Fee payable under these Regulations</i> |
| | | £ | £ |
| Sections 28A(4), 38(2) and (3) and 47 | Issue of— | | |
| | (1) first or only extract of entry following particular search | 5.00 | 5.50 |
| | (2) second or any subsequent extract of the same entry applied for at the same time | 2.50 | 3.00 |
| | (3) extract of entry following general search | 3.00 | 3.00 |
| Section 40(1) | (4) first or only abbreviated certificate of birth following particular search | 3.00 | 4.00 |
| | (5) second or any subsequent abbreviated certificate of the same entry applied for at the same time | 3.00 | 1.50 |
| | (6) abbreviated certificate applied for at the same time as an extract of the same entry following particular search | 3.00 | 1.50 |
| | (7) abbreviated certificate of birth following general search | 3.00 | 1.50 |
| Sections 28A(4), 38(2) and 47 | (8) Particular search in the indexes to the statutory registers where specified entry untraced: for each | 2.50 | 2.50 |

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| <i>Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Scotland) Act 1965</i> | <i>Service</i> | <i>Fee formerly payable</i> | <i>Fee payable under these Regulations</i> |
| | | £ | £ |
| | period of 5 years or part thereof | | |
| | (9) Particular search in the parochial registers where specified entry untraced: for each period of 5 years or part thereof | 2.50 | 2.50 |
| | (10) General search in the indexes to the statutory registers: per day or part thereof | 6.00 | 6.00 |
| | (11) General search in the parochial registers: per day or part thereof | 4.50 | 4.50 |
| | Inclusive general search in the parochial registers and in the indexes to the statutory registers— | | |
| | (12) per day or part thereof | 9.00 | 9.00 |
| | (13) per week | 27.00 | 30.00 |
| | (14) per month | 75.00 | 80.00 |
| | (15) per quarter | 150.00 | 160.00 |
| Section 43(8) | (16) Recording of name, or change of name or surname, or alternative name | 13.50 | 15.00 |

SCHEDULE 2

Regulation 4

FEES PAYABLE TO DISTRICT REGISTRARS

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|---|--|-----------------------------|--|
| <i>Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Scotland) Act 1965</i> | <i>Service</i> | <i>Fee formerly payable</i> | <i>Fee payable under these Regulations</i> |
| | | £ | £ |
| Section 32(2) and (3) | Issue of— | | |
| | (1) any extract of entry of birth, death or marriage applied for within one month from the date of registration | 2.00 | 3.00 |
| | (2) first or only extract of entry of birth, death or marriage applied for on any one occasion after one month from the date of registration | 5.00 | 5.50 |
| | (3) second or any subsequent extract of the same entry applied for on any one occasion after one month from the date of registration | 2.50 | 3.00 |
| | (4) extract of entry following general search | 3.00 | 3.00 |
| Section 40(1) | (5) any abbreviated certificate of birth applied for within one month from the date of registration | 3.00 | 1.50 |
| | (6) first or only abbreviated certificate applied for on any one occasion after one month from the date of registration | 3.00 | 4.00 |
| | (7) second or any subsequent abbreviated certificate of the same entry applied for on any one occasion after one | 3.00 | 1.50 |

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| <i>Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Scotland) Act 1965</i> | <i>Service</i> | <i>Fee formerly payable</i> | <i>Fee payable under these Regulations</i> |
| | | £ | £ |
| | month from the date of registration | | |
| | (8) abbreviated certificate of birth applied for after one month from the date of registration at the same time as an extract of the same entry following a particular search | 3.00 | 1.50 |
| | (9) abbreviated certificate of birth following general search | 3.00 | 1.50 |
| Section 37(2) | (10) Particular search in the indexes to the statutory registers where specified entry untraced: for each period of 5 years or part thereof | 2.50 | 2.50 |
| | (11) General search in the indexes to the statutory registers | 7.00 (per day or part thereof) | 2.50 (per hour or part thereof) |

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations prescribe, with effect from 1st April 1988, the fees payable to the Registrar General and district registrars for services provided under the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Scotland) Act 1965. The fees for the first, second, fourth and thirteenth to sixteenth services listed in Schedule 1 and for the first to third and sixth services listed in Schedule 2 are increased. The fifth, sixth and seventh services in Schedule 1 and fifth, seventh, eighth and ninth services in Schedule 2 introduce for the first time reduced fees where abbreviated certificates are obtained in certain circumstances. The eleventh service in Schedule 2 has been changed from £7 per

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day or part to £2.50 per hour or part. The fees for the other services are not changed. The Registration of Births, Deaths, Marriages and Divorces (Fees) (Scotland) Regulations 1986 are revoked.