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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1992 No. 2186 (S.220)

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

The Registration of Births, Still-births,
Deaths and Marriages (Prescription of Forms)
(Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 1992

Made - - - - *10th September 1992*

Coming into force - - *1st October 1992*

The Registrar General for Scotland, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by sections 21(1) and (2)(a) and 54(1)(b) 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, Still-births, Deaths and Marriages (Prescription of Forms) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 1992 and shall come into force on 1st October 1992.

Interpretation

2. In these Regulations—

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

“the principal Regulations” means the Registration of Births, Still-births, Deaths and Marriages (Prescription of Forms) (Scotland) Regulations 1965⁽²⁾.

(1) 1965 c. 49.

(2) S.I. 1965/1839; the relevant amending instrument is S.I. 1984/43.

Amendment of the principal Regulations

3. In regulation 2(2) of the principal Regulations, for the definition of “still-born child”, there shall be substituted the following definition:—

““still-born child” shall have the same meaning as in section 56(1) of the Act⁽³⁾ and “still-birth” shall be construed accordingly.”.

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

Revocations

5. The following Regulations are hereby revoked:—

- (a) regulation 3(1) of and Schedule 1 to the Registration of Births, Still-births, Deaths and Marriages (Prescription of Forms) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1984⁽⁴⁾; and
- (b) the Registration of Births, Still-births, Deaths and Marriages (Prescription of Forms) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1992⁽⁵⁾.

New Register House,
Edinburgh
9th September 1992

Brian Valentine Philp
Deputy Registrar General for Scotland

I approve

St Andrew’s House,
Edinburgh
10th September 1992

Hector Monro
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Scottish
Office

⁽³⁾ Section 56(1) of the Act was amended by the Still-Birth (Definition) Act 1992 c. 29, section 1(2).
⁽⁴⁾ S.I. 1984/43.
⁽⁵⁾ S.I. 1992/2045.

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SCHEDULE

Regulation 4

CERTIFICATE OF STILL-BIRTH

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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 born

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

at hours, on 19

at *time* *date*

to

at *name of mother*

at *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.

Registrar to enter
Dist. No.
Year
Entry No.

} *Delete whichever does not apply

CAUSE OF DEATH (Please print clearly)	
I	I
Foetal or maternal condition directly causing death (a)	due to
Antecedent causes (b)	due to
Foetal or maternal conditions, if any, giving rise to the above cause, the underlying condition to be stated last (c)
II	II
Other significant conditions of foetus or mother contributing to the death, but not related to the disease or condition causing it

Not to be entered in register
Estimated duration of pregnancy
.....
<i>weeks</i>
Weight of foetus if known
.....
<i>grammes</i>

Please ring appropriate letter:-

- Certified cause takes account of post-mortem information A
- Information from post-mortem may be available later B
- Post-mortem not proposed C

- Signature date
- Name in block capitals
- Registered medical qualifications or regd. no. if a registered midwife
- Address

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 1965 "the principal Regulations".

The Regulations substitute an amended definition of "still-born child" and "still-birth" and a revised certificate of still-birth in the principal Regulations.

The amendments are consequential upon the change in the definition of still-birth in the Still-Birth (Definition) Act 1992 (c. 29).

As a consequence, these Regulations revoke—

- (a) provisions in the Registration of Births, Still-births, Deaths and Marriages (Prescription of Forms) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1984 (S.I. 1984/43) but set out the previous form of the certificate of still-birth; and
- (b) the Registration of Births, Still-births, Deaths and Marriages (Prescription of Forms) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1992 (S.I. 1992/2045) which omitted to change the

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definition in the principal Regulations. These Regulations therefore replace the 1992 Regulations.