

**2014 No. 1790**

**REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND  
MARRIAGES ETC., ENGLAND AND WALES**

**The Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Fees)  
(Amendment) Order 2014**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>7th July 2014</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>10th July 2014</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>1st September 2014</i>

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 5(1) and (2) of, and paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 3 to, the Public Expenditure and Receipts Act 1968(a), and section 31(5F) of the Marriage Act 1949(b) and now vested in her(c), makes the following Order:

**Citation and commencement**

1. This Order may be cited as the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Fees) (Amendment) Order 2014 and comes into force on 1st September 2014.

**Amendment of the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Fees) Order 2010**

2. For the Schedule to the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Fees) Order 2010(d) substitute—

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- (a) 1968 c. 14. Paragraph 1 of Schedule 3 was amended by section 4 of, and paragraph 5 of Schedule 2 to, the Social Security (Consequential Provisions) Act 1992 (c. 6); and by section 582(1) of, and paragraph 14 of Schedule 37 to, the Education Act 1996 (c. 56). Under section 2(2) of the Marriage Act 1983 (c. 32) the reference to the Marriage Act 1949 (c. 76) in Schedule 3 includes a reference to that Act as amended by the Marriage Act 1983. Other changes have been made which are not relevant to this Order.
- (b) 1949 c. 76. Section 31(5F) was inserted by section 160(6) of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999 (c. 33).
- (c) References to “the Chancellor of the Exchequer” were substituted in the second column of paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 3 to the Public Expenditure and Receipts Act 1968 by articles 3(1) and 5(1) of, and paragraph 10 of Schedule 1 and paragraph 16 of Schedule 2 to, the Transfer of Functions (Registration and Statistics) Order 1996 (S.I. 1996/273); and references to the “Secretary of State” were subsequently substituted in the second column of paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 3 to that Act by articles 3(1) and 5(1) of, and paragraph 8 of Schedule 1 and paragraph 8 of Schedule 2 to, the Transfer of Functions (Registration) Order 2008 (S.I. 2008/678). The reference to “the Secretary of State” in section 31(5F) of the Marriage Act 1949 was substituted for “the Chancellor of the Exchequer” by article 5(1) of, and paragraph 5(1)(b) of Schedule 2 to, that Order.
- (d) S.I. 2010/441, amended by S.I. 2012/760.

**“SCHEDULE**

Article 2

**FEES PAYABLE FROM 1st SEPTEMBER 2014**

	<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>	<i>Column 3</i>	<i>Column 4</i>
	<i>Enactment</i>	<i>Matter or case for which fee is payable</i>	<i>Fee payable up until 1st September 2014</i>	<i>Fee payable from 1st September 2014</i>
1.	Places of Worship Registration Act 1855 section 5(a)	Certification of place of meeting for religious worship	£28.00	£29.00
2.	Savings Banks Act 1887 section 10(b)	Certificate of birth, death or marriage for purposes of certain Acts obtained— (a) from a registrar when application is made at the time of registration (b) from a registrar when application is made after the time of registration (c) from any other person having the care of the register	£4.00  £7.00  £10.00	£4.00  £7.00  £10.00
3.	Marriage Act 1949 section 27(6)(c)	Entry in marriage notice book	£35.00	£35.00
4.	Marriage Act 1949 section 27(7)(d)	Attendance of superintendent registrar other than at his office for purpose of being given notice of marriage— (a) of a house-bound person (b) of a detained person	£46.00  £67.00	£47.00  £68.00
5.	Marriage Act 1949 section	Application to reduce the 15 day period	£28.00	£28.00

(a) 1855 c. 81.

(b) 1887 c. 40. Section 10 was amended by section 94 of, and Part III of Schedule 6 to, the Post Office Act 1969 (c. 48), and by section 4(3) and 7(3) of, and Schedule 4 to, the Trustee Savings Banks Act 1985 (c.58). Section 10 is applied, for the purposes of the following Regulations, by the following respective provisions: regulation 21 of the Savings Contracts Regulations 1969 (S.I. 1969/1342), regulation 25 of the Premium Savings Bonds Regulations 1972 (S.I. 1971/765), regulation 52 of the National Savings Stock Register Regulations 1976 (S.I. 1976/2012), regulation 26 of the Savings Certificates (Yearly Plan) Regulations 1984 (S.I. 1984/779), regulation 26 of the Savings Certificates Regulations 1991 (S.I. 1991/1031), and regulation 23 of the Savings Certificates (Children's Bonus Bonds) Regulations 1991 (S.I. 1991/1407).

(c) 1949 c.76. Section 27(6) was amended by art. 2(2) of the Registration of Marriages etc. (Electronic Communications and Electronic Storage) Order 2009, S.I. 2009/2821.

(d) Section 27(7) was inserted by section 1(7) of, and paragraph 5(c) of Schedule 1 to, the Marriage Act 1983 (c. 32).

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	31(5F)(a)			
6.	Marriage Act 1949 section 41(6)	Registration of buildings for solemnization of marriages between a man and a woman where the building is not already registered under section 43A of the Marriage Act 1949(b)	£120.00	£123.00
7.	Marriage Act 1949 section 51(1)(c)	Fee of registrar for attending marriage— (a) at a register office (b) at a registered building (c) at the place where a house-bound person usually resides (d) at the place where a detained person usually resides.	£45.00 £84.00 £79.00 £86.00	£46.00 £86.00 £81.00 £88.00
8.	Marriage Act 1949 section 51(2)(d)	Fee of superintendent registrar attending marriage— (a) at the place where a house-bound person usually resides (b) at the place where a detained person usually resides	£82.00 £93.00	£84.00 £94.00
9.	Marriage Act 1949 section 57(4)(e)	Sum paid to incumbent, etc. for every entry contained in quarterly certified copies of entries of marriage	£2.00	£2.00
10.	Marriage Act 1949 section 63(1)(b)	Certified copy of entry issued under that subsection—		

(a) Section 31(5F) was inserted by section 160(6) of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999 (c. 33) and amended by articles 3(1) and 5(1) of, and paragraph 5(5) of Schedule 1 and paragraph 5(1)(b) of Schedule 2 to, the Transfer of Functions (Registration) Order 2008, S.I. 2008/678.

(b) Section 43A was inserted by section 4 of, and paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 1 to, the Marriage (Same Sex Couples) Act 2013 (c. 30). For the fee payable where an application is made in respect of a building that is already registered under section 43A, see regulation 9(e) of the Marriage of Same Sex Couples (Registration of Buildings and Appointment of Authorised Persons) Regulations 2014 (S.I. 2014/106), which modifies the fee payable under section 41(6) of the Marriage Act 1949. If an application is made for registration under both section 41 and section 43A of the Marriage Act 1949 at the same time, regulation 10(2)(b) of S.I. 2014/106 provides that no fee is payable under section 43A, but the fee for a previously unregistered building under section 41(6) applies.

(c) Section 51(1) was numbered as such by section 1(7) of, and paragraph 15 of Schedule 1 to, the Marriage Act 1983 (c. 32).

(d) Section 51(2) was inserted by section 1(7) of, and paragraph 15 of Schedule 1 to, the Marriage Act 1983.

(e) Section 57(4) was amended by section 251 of, and paragraph 40 of Schedule 29 to, the Local Government Act 1972 (c. 70).

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		(a) when application is made at the time of registration (b) when application is made to a registrar after the time of registration (c) in any other case	£4.00 £7.00 £10.00	£4.00 £7.00 £10.00
11.	Marriage Act 1949 section 64(2)(a)	General search of indexes of register books kept by superintendent registrars	£18.00	£18.00
12.	Marriage Act 1949 section 64(2)(c)	Certified copy of entry issued under that subsection	£10.00	£10.00
13.	Marriage Act 1949 section 65(2)(c)	(a) Standard service for certified copy of entry obtained from the Registrar General following a search of indexes kept at General Register Office (b) Priority service for certified copy of entry obtained from the Registrar General following a search of indexes kept at General Register Office	£9.25 £23.40	£9.25 £23.40
14.	Births and Deaths Registration Act 1953 section 13(2)(a)	Issue of certificate of baptism	£1.00	£1.00
15.	Births and Deaths Registration Act 1953 section 30(2)(c)	(a) Standard service for certified copy of entry obtained from the Registrar General following a search of indexes kept at General Register Office (b) Priority service for certified copy of entry obtained from the Registrar General following a search of indexes kept at General Register Office	£9.25 £23.40	£9.25 £23.40
16.	Births and Deaths	General search of indexes kept by	£18.00	£18.00

(a) 1953 c.20

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	Registration Act 1953 section 31(2)(a)	superintendent registrars		
17.	Births and Deaths Registration Act 1953 section 31(2)(c)	Certified copy of entry issued under that subsection	£10.00	£10.00
18.	Births and Deaths Registration Act 1953 section 32(c)	Certified copy of entry in registers kept by registrars issued— (a) at the time of registration (b) after the time of registration	£4.00 £7.00	£4.00 £7.00
19.	Births and Deaths Registration Act 1953 section 33(1)	(a) One short certificate of birth obtained at the time of registration (b) Any other short certificate of birth obtained from a registrar at the time of registration (c) A short certificate of birth obtained from a registrar after the time of registration (d) A short certificate of birth obtained from a superintendent registrar (e) Standard service for a short certificate of birth obtained from the Registrar General where that certificate is compiled from a certified copy of an entry in the register of live births (f) Priority service for a short certificate of birth obtained from the Registrar General where that certificate is compiled from a certified copy of an entry in the register of live births	NIL £4.00 £7.00 £10.00 £9.25 £23.40	NIL £4.00 £7.00 £10.00 £9.25 £23.40

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		(g) Standard service for a short certificate of birth obtained from the Registrar General where that certificate is compiled from any other records and registers in the custody of the Registrar General (h) Priority service for a short certificate of birth obtained from the Registrar General where that certificate is compiled from any other records and registers in the custody of the Registrar General	£9.25       £23.40	£9.25       £23.40
20.	Factories Act 1961 section 178(1)(a)	Extract of entry in birth register for purposes of that Act issued by— (a) a registrar at the time of registration (b) a registrar after the time of registration (c) a superintendent registrar	£4.00 £7.00 £10.00	£4.00 £7.00 £10.00
21.	Social Security Administration Act 1992 section 124(3)(b)	Certificate of birth, death or marriage for purposes of certain Acts issued by— (a) a registrar at the time of registration (b) a registrar after the time of registration (c) a superintendent registrar (d) any other custodian of the register	£4.00 £7.00 £10.00 £10.00	£4.00 £7.00 £10.00 £10.00
22.	Education Act 1996 section 564(1)(b)(c)	Copy of entry in birth register for purposes of certain Acts issued by—		

(a) 1961 c. 34.

(b) 1992 c. 5. Subsection (1), to which section 124(3) refers, was amended by: section 41(4) of, and paragraph 59 of Schedule 2 to, the Jobseekers Act 1995 (c. 18); section 14 of, and paragraphs 8 and 13 of Schedule 2 to, the State Pension Credit Act 2002 (c. 16); section 28(1) of, and paragraph 10(1) and (16) of Schedule 3 to, the Welfare Reform Act 2007 (c. 5); sections 31 and 91 of, paragraph 17 of Schedule 2 to, and paragraph 15 of Schedule 9 to, the Welfare Reform Act 2012 (c. 5); and by section 60 of, and paragraph 1 of Schedule 6 to, the Tax Credits Act 2002 (c. 21) (words repealed subject to savings specified in article 3 of S.I. 2003/962).

(c) 1996 c. 56.

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		(a) a registrar at the time of registration	£4.00	£4.00
		(b) a registrar after the time of registration	£7.00	£7.00
		(c) a superintendent registrar	£10.00	£10.00"

Home Office  
7th July 2014

*James Brokenshire*  
Minister of State

### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

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

This Order amends the Births, Deaths and Marriages (Fees) Order 2010 by replacing the Schedule to that Order, which sets out the fees payable, with a new Schedule that includes a number of increases to the fees payable under the Acts relating to the registration of marriages and associated matters from 1 September 2014. This is the second instrument to amend the 2010 Order: the original Schedule was replaced by a Schedule inserted by the Births, Deaths and Marriages (Fees)(Amendment) Order 2012 (S.I. 2012/760).

Both the old and the new fees are set out in the Schedule. Of the 47 fees included in this Order, 37 remain unchanged and 10 have increased.

Two different types of service, set out in the second column of the Schedule, are available in respect of the provision of a certified copy of entry obtained from the Registrar General following a search of indexes kept at the General Register Office under section 65(2)(c) of the Marriage Act 1949 or section 30(2)(c) of the Births and Deaths Registration Act 1953, and the provision of a short certificate of birth obtained from the Registrar General where that certificate is compiled from a certified copy of an entry in the register of live-births, or from any other records and registers in the custody of the Registrar General, under section 33(1) of the Births and Deaths Registration Act 1953.

A “priority service” is a service under which a person may apply to the Registrar General by 1600 hours on any working day and the certified copy of entry, or short certificate of birth as the case may be, will normally be provided to that person on or before the following working day by sending by first class post or between 1000 hours and 1600 hours where he attends at the General Register Office in person. A “standard service” is a service under which a person may apply to the Registrar General by 1600 hours on any working day and the certified copy of entry, or short certificate of birth as the case may be, will normally be provided to that person by sending by second class post or between 1000 hours and 1600 hours where he attends at the General Register Office in person either—(i) on or before the 4th working day after the working day on which the application was made where a reference number which relates to an index kept by the Registrar General under section 65(1) of the Marriage Act 1949 or section 30(1) or (1A) of the Births and Deaths Registration Act 1953 has been provided with that application; or (ii) on or before the 15th working day after the working day on which the application was made where such a reference number is not provided. A working day in this context excludes a Saturday or Sunday, Christmas day, Good Friday, and a bank holiday under the Banking and Financial Dealings Act 1971 in England and Wales.

A full impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no impact on the private or voluntary sectors is foreseen.

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