



Population (Statistics) Act 1960

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An Act to make permanent the Population (Statistics) Act 1938, and to make further provision as to matters with respect to which particulars may be required under that Act and as to certificates to be produced on the registration of still-births. [2nd June 1960]

1 Amendment of Population (Statistics) Act, 1938.

- (1) The ^{M1}Population (Statistics) Act 1938, as amended by subsequent enactments, including this Act, shall have permanent effect; and accordingly subsection (4) of section seven thereof (which provides for the Act to have temporary effect) is hereby repealed.
- (2) The Schedule to this act shall be substituted for the Schedule to the said Act of 1938.

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** The text of s. 1(2) is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991.

Marginal Citations

- M1** 1938 c. 12.

2 Amendments as to certificates of still-birth in England and Wales.

- (1) In section eleven of the ^{M2}Births and Deaths Registration Act, 1953 (which contains special provisions as to the registration of still-births), for paragraph (a) of subsection (1) (which requires the informant to deliver to the registrar a written certificate that the child was not born alive, signed either by a registered medical practitioner or a certified midwife) there shall be substituted the following paragraph—
 - “(a) deliver to the registrar a certificate in the prescribed form signed by a registered medical practitioner who was present at the birth or has examined the body of the child, or, if no registered medical practitioner was so present or has examined the body, by a certified

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midwife who was so present or has examined the body, being a certificate stating that the child was not born alive and, where possible, stating to the best of the knowledge and belief of the person signing it the cause of death and the estimated duration of the pregnancy; or”

(2) In the said section eleven, after subsection (1) there shall be inserted the following subsection—

“(1A) Every registered medical practitioner or certified midwife who is present at a still-birth or examines the body of a still-born child shall, at the request of any person who is a qualified informant as to the birth, give to that person a certificate for the purposes of paragraph (a) of the foregoing subsection.”

(3) In subsection (2) of the said section eleven, for the words “the foregoing subsection” there shall be substituted the words “subsection (1) of this section”.

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C2 The text of s. 2 is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991.

Marginal Citations

M2 1 & 2 Eliz. 2. c.20.

3 ^{F1}

Textual Amendments

F1 S. 3 repealed by [Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages \(Scotland\) Act 1965 \(c. 49\)](#), [Sch. 2](#)

4 Additional matters to be included in annual reports of Registrar General and Registrar General for Scotland.

The general abstracts which under section nineteen of the ^{M3}Registration Service Act 1953, . . . ^{F2}, are required to be sent annually to [^{F3}the Secretary of State] . . . ^{F2} and to be laid before Parliament shall include the statistical information compiled—

- (a) from particulars furnished to registrars in England and Wales . . . ^{F2} under the ^{M4}Population (Statistics) Act 1938, on the registration of births, still-births and deaths registered in the last preceding year; and
- (b) from certificates delivered to registrars in those countries . . . ^{F2} under section eleven of the ^{M5}Births and Deaths Registration Act 1953, . . . ^{F2}, on the registration of still-births so registered.

Textual Amendments

F2 Words repealed by [Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages \(Scotland\) Act 1965 \(c. 49\)](#), [Sch. 2](#)

F3 Words substituted by virtue of [S.I. 1968/1699](#), [arts. 2, 5\(4\)\(a\)](#)

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Marginal Citations

M3 1953 c. 37.

M4 1938 c. 12.

M5 1953 c. 37.

5 Short title, extent and commencement.

- (1) This Act may be cited as the Population (Statistics) Act 1960.
- (2) This Act shall not extend to Northern Ireland.
- (3) Section one of, and the Schedule to, this Act shall come into force on the first day of January, nineteen hundred and sixty-one, and sections two, three and four of this Act shall come into force on the first day of October, nineteen hundred and sixty.

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SCHEDULE

Section 1.

PARTICULARS WHICH MAY BE REQUIRED

- 1 *On registration of a birth (including a still-birth)*
 - (a) in all cases the age of the mother;
 - (b) where the name of any person is to be entered in the register of births as father of the child, the age of that person;
 - (c) except where the birth is of an illegitimate child—
 - (i) the date of the parents' marriage;
 - (ii) whether the mother had been married before her marriage to the father of the child;
 - (iii) the number of children of the mother by her present husband and by any former husband, and how many of them were born alive or were still-born.
- 2 *On registration of death*
 - (a) whether the deceased was single, married, widowed or divorced;
 - (b) the age of the surviving spouse, if any, of the deceased .

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