

1988 No. 2077

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

**ENGLAND AND WALES**

**The Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Fees)  
(No. 2) Order 1988**

<i>Made</i> - - - -	<i>29th November 1988</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>	<i>14th December 1988</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	<i>1st April 1989</i>

The Secretary of State for Health 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 now vested in him(b) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following order:

**Citation and commencement**

1. This Order may be cited as the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Fees) (No. 2) Order 1988 and shall come into force on 1st April 1989.

**Fees payable**

2. The fees payable under each of the enactments specified in column 2 of the Schedule to this Order in respect of the matters specified in column 3 shall be the fees specified in relation thereto in column 4 and each of those enactments shall have effect accordingly.

**Revocation of Order**

3. The provisions of this Order shall have effect in place of the provisions of the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Fees) Order 1988(c) (under which the fees payable were as respectively set out in column 5 of the Schedule to this Order) and that Order is accordingly revoked.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Health

*Edwina Currie*  
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State,  
Department of Health

29th November 1988

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(a) 1968 c.14; paragraph 1 of Schedule 3 was amended by paragraph 21 of Schedule 9 to the Friendly Societies Act 1974 (c.46) and by paragraph 33 of Schedule 2 to the Social Security (Consequential Provisions) Act 1975 (c.18). By virtue of section 2(2) of the Marriage Act 1983 (c.32) the reference to the Marriage Act 1949 (c.76) in the said Schedule 3 includes a reference to that Act as amended by the 1983 Act. (b) See the Secretary of State for Social Services Order 1968 (S.I. 1968/1699), article 2 (transferring all functions of the Minister of Health to the Secretary of State). (c) S.I. 1988/165.

**SCHEDULE**  
**FEES PAYABLE**

Article 2

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
	<i>Enactment specifying fees</i>	<i>Matter for which fee is payable</i>	<i>New fee</i>	<i>Old fee</i>
1855 c.81	Places of Worship Registration Act 1855 Section 5	Certification of place of meeting for religious worship	£13.00	£12.00
1887 c.40	Savings Banks Act 1887 Section 10(a)	Certificate of birth, death or marriage, for purposes of certain Acts	£1.50	£1.50
1938 c.69	Young Persons (Employment) Act 1938 Section 5	Copy of entry in birth register for purposes of that Act	£1.50	£1.50
1944 c.31	Education Act 1944 Section 94(1)	Copy of entry in birth register for purposes of certain Acts	£1.50	£1.50
1949 c.76	Marriage Act 1949 Section 27(6) Section 27(7)(b)	Entry in marriage notice book	£11.50	£10.00
		Attendance of superintendent registrar other than at his office for purpose of being given notice of marriage of house-bound or detained person	£25.00	£24.00
	Section 32(5)(c)	Licence for marriage	£33.00	£28.00
	Section 41(6)	Registration of building for solemnization of marriages	£75.00	£70.00
	Section 51(1)(d)	Fee of registrar for attending marriage-		
		(i) at a register office	£13.00	£12.00
		(ii) at a registered building or at the place where a house-bound or detained person usually resides	£22.00	£21.00
	Section 51(2)(e)	Fee of a superintendent registrar attending marriage at the place where a house-bound or detained person usually resides	£25.00	£24.00
	Section 57(4)(f)	Sum paid to incumbent, etc. for every entry contained in quarterly certified copies of entries of marriage	£1.20	£1.20
	Section 63(1)(b)	Certified copy of entry issued under that subsection-		
		(i) when application is made at the time of registering or to a registrar	£2.00	£2.00
		(ii) in any other case	£5.00	£5.00
	Section 64(2)(a)	General search of indexes of register books kept by superintendent registrars	£12.00	£12.00

(a) Section 10 was amended by Part III of Schedule 6 to the Post Office Act 1969 (c.48) and by Schedule 4 to the Trustee Savings Banks Act 1985 (c.58) and is applied by regulation 32 of the Savings Certificates Regulations 1972 (S.I. 1972/641) and by regulation 25 of the Premium Savings Bonds Regulations 1972 (S.I. 1972/765). (b) Section 27(7) was inserted by paragraph 5(c) of Schedule 1 to the Marriage Act 1983. (c) Section 32(5) was amended by article 4(2) of the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Fees) Order 1968 (S.I. 1968/1242). (d) Section 51(1) was so numbered by paragraph 15 of Schedule 1 to the Marriage Act 1983. (e) Section 51(2) was inserted by paragraph 15 of Schedule 1 to the Marriage Act 1983. (f) Section 57(4) was amended by paragraph 40 of Schedule 29 to the Local Government Act 1972 (c.70).

	Section 64(2)(c)	Certified copy of entry issued under that subsection	£5.00	£5.00
	Section 65(2)(c)	Certified copy of entry, following a search of indexes kept at General Register Office	£5.00	£5.00
1950	Shops Act 1950			
c.28	Section 35(1)	Copy of entry in birth register for purposes of that Act	£1.50	£1.50
1953	Births and Deaths Registration Act 1953			
c.20	Section 13(2)	Issue of certificate of baptism	£1.00	£1.00
	Section 30(2)(c)	Certified copy of entry following search of indexes kept at General Register Office	£5.00	£5.00
	Section 31(2)(a)	General search of indexes kept by superintendent registrars	£12.00	£12.00
	Section 31(2)(c)	Certified copy of entry issued under that subsection	£5.00	£5.00
	Section 32(c)	Certified copy of entry in registers kept by registrars	£2.00	£2.00
	Section 33(1)	(i) Short certificate of birth obtained at the time of registration, or if more than one such certificate is obtained, the first of these	NIL	NIL
		(ii) Any other short certificate of birth obtained from a registrar	£1.50	£1.50
		(iii) A short certificate of birth obtained from a superintendent registrar	£2.50	£2.50
		(iv) A short certificate of birth obtained from the Registrar General	£3.00	£2.50
1961	Factories Act 1961			
c.34	Section 178(1)	Extract of entry in birth register for purposes of that Act	£1.50	£1.50
1974	Friendly Societies Act 1974			
c.46	Section 106(2) and Schedule 5, paragraph 8	Certificate of birth or death for purposes of certain Acts	£1.50	£1.50
1975	Social Security Act 1975			
c.14	Section 160(2)(a)	Certificate of birth, death or marriage for purposes of certain Acts	£1.50	£1.50

(a) Section 160 is applied by section 11 of the Industrial Injuries and Diseases (Old Cases) Act 1975 (c.16) and section 9(1) of the Child Benefit Act 1975 (c.61).

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order specifies the fees payable for the year beginning 1st April 1989 under the Acts relating to the registration of births, deaths and marriages and associated matters.

The fees increased are those payable under section 5 of the Places of Worship Registration Act 1855, sections 27(6) and (7), 32(5), 41(6) and 51(1) and (2) of the Marriage Act 1949 and section 33(1) of the Births and Deaths Registration Act 1953, for a short certificate of birth obtained from the Registrar General; otherwise the fees payable from 1st April 1989 are the same as those payable before.

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