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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**2008 No. 219**

**REGISTRATION OF VITAL EVENTS**

**General Register Office (Fees) Order (Northern Ireland) 2008**

*Laid before the Assembly in draft*

*Made - - - - 19th May 2008*

*Coming into operation 1st June 2008*

The Department of Finance and Personnel, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 47(1) and (2) of the Births and Deaths Registration (Northern Ireland) Order 1976(1), Articles 3(3) (b), 19(1)(a), 35(3), 36(1)(b) and (3) and 37 of the Marriage (Northern Ireland) Order 2003(2), and Section 157(1) of the Civil Partnership Act 2004(3) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:

**Citation, commencement and interpretation**

1.—(1) This order may be cited as the General Register Office (Fees) Order (Northern Ireland) 2008 and shall come into operation on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2008.

(2) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(4) shall apply to this Order as it applies to an Act of the Assembly.

**Fees payable**

2. The fee payable under a statutory provision specified in column 1 of the Schedule in respect of the matter specified in relation to it in column 2 shall be the fee specified in relation to it in column 3.

**Revocation**

3. The Births, Deaths, Marriages and Civil Partnership (Fees) Order (Northern Ireland) 2005(5) is hereby revoked.

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(1) [S.I. 1976/1041 \(N.I. 14\)](#) as amended by paragraph 20 of Schedule 1 to [S.I. 1999/663](#)  
(2) [S.I. 2003/413 \(N.I. 3\)](#)  
(3) [2004 c. 33](#)  
(4) [1954 c. 33 \(N.I.\)](#)  
(5) [S.R. 2005 No. 478](#)

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Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Finance and Personnel on 19th May 2008



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and Personnel

## SCHEDULE

Article 2

**FEES PAYABLE**

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>	<i>Column 3</i>	<i>Column 4</i>
<i>Statutory Provision</i>	<i>Service</i>	<i>New Fee</i>	<i>Old Fee</i>
		<i>£ p</i>	<i>£ p</i>
Births and Deaths Registration (Northern Ireland) Order 1976 (N.I. 14)			
Article 34(3) and (4)	General search of indexes (to include 4 verifications)	12.00 (3.00 for each further verification)	10.00 (2.50 for each further verification)
	Particular search	6.00	5.50
	Certified copy of any entry in a register	6.00	5.50
Article 37(5)	Entering, under Article 37(2), baptismal or other name (given after registration of birth)	15.00	13.00
	Recording under Article 37(3) or (4), change of name or surname	31.00 (15.00 for second or subsequent members of the family)	28.00 (14.00 for second or subsequent members of the family)
Article 38	Search in a register in a registrar's office	6.00	5.50
	Certified copy of entry in a register	6.00	5.50
Article 40	Short Birth Certificate:		
	First copy issued at time of registration of the birth	Nil	Nil
	Particular search	6.00	5.50
	Any copy issued thereafter	6.00	5.50
Article 42(1)	For the purposes of the Enactments specified in Schedule 1 to that Order but not the Industrial Assurance (Northern Ireland) Order 1979 (N.I. 13) or Friendly Societies Act 1974 (c. 46)		
	Certified copy of an entry	6.00	5.50
	For the purposes of the Industrial Assurance (Northern Ireland)		

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	Order 1979 and the Friendly Societies Act 1974		
	Certified copy of an entry	6.00	5.50
Article 42(3)	Furnishing information for the purposes of any enactment specified in Schedule 1 to that Order	6.00	5.50
Marriage (Northern Ireland) Order 2003 (N.I. 3)			
Article 3(3)(b)	Marriage notice	15.00	15.00
Article 19(1)(a)	Solemnisation of a civil marriage	25.00	25.00
Article 35(3)(a)	Search of indexes	6.00	5.50
Article 35(3)(b)	Document relating to an entry in a marriage registration record	6.00	5.50
Article 36	Document relating to the registration of marriages for the purposes of any prescribed statutory provision	6.00	5.50
Article 37	General search of indexes (to include 4 verifications)	12.00 (3.00 for each further verification)	10.00 (2.50 for each further verification)
Article 37	Attendance by the registrar at his Office on Monday-Friday after 5pm or Saturdays 9am-5pm for the purpose of solemnising a civil marriage	87.00	87.00
Article 37	Attendance by the registrar at his Office on a Sunday, a Bank Holiday or a Saturday after 5pm for the purpose of solemnising a civil marriage.	125.00	125.00

Civil Partnership Act 2004 (2004 c. 33)			
Section 139(2)(b)	Civil Partnership notice	15.00	15.00
Section 155(3)(a)	Search of indexes	6.00	5.50
Section 155(3)(b)	Document relating to an entry in a civil partnership registration record	6.00	5.50
Section 156(1)	Document relating to the registration of civil partnerships for the purposes of any prescribed statutory provision	6.00	5.50

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Section 157(1)(b)	Registration of a civil partnership	25.00	25.00
Section 157(1)(b)	General search of indexes (to include 4 verifications)	12.00 (3.00 for each further verification)	10.00 (2.50 for each further verification)
Section 157(1)(b)	Attendance by the registrar at his Office on Monday-Friday after 5pm or Saturdays 9am-5pm for the purpose of registering a civil partnership	87.00	87.00
Section 157(1)(b)	Attendance by the registrar at his Office on a Sunday, a Bank Holiday or a Saturday after 5pm for the purpose of registering a civil partnership.	125.00	125.00

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#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

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

This Order provides for the increase of various fees payable under the Births and Deaths Registration (Northern Ireland) Order 1976 relating to searches in registers, the provision of certificates and change of name services. It also provides for the increase of various fees payable under the Marriage (Northern Ireland) Order 2003 relating to giving notice for intended marriage, the solemnisation of civil marriage and providing marriage certificates. It also provides for the various fees payable under the Civil Partnership Act 2004 relating to giving notice for intended civil partnership, the registration of civil partnership and providing civil partnership certificates.

This Order revokes and replaces the Births, Deaths, Marriages and Civil Partnership (Fees) Order (Northern Ireland) 2005.