
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

1998 No. 330

**REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS,
DEATHS AND MARRIAGES**

**Births, Deaths and Marriages (Fees)
Order (Northern Ireland) 1998**

*Made - - - - 15th September 1998
To be laid before Parliament under paragraph 3(3) of
Schedule 1 to the Northern Ireland Act 1974*

Coming into operation 1st November 1998

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 1(1) and (2) of the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Fees, etc.) Act (Northern Ireland) 1955⁽¹⁾ as modified by section 9 of the Marriage Act 1983⁽²⁾ and now vested in me⁽³⁾ and in exercise of the powers in Article 47(1) and (2) of the Births and Deaths Registration (Northern Ireland) Order 1976⁽⁴⁾ and Article 15 of the Financial Provisions (Northern Ireland) Order 1976⁽⁵⁾ and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf, I hereby make the following Order:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Births, Deaths and Marriages (Fees) Order (Northern Ireland) 1998 and shall come into operation on 1st November 1998.

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.

Fees under the Marriage Act 1983

3.—(1) Any fee payable under any provision of the Marriage Act 1983 specified in column 1 of the Schedule in respect of any matter specified in relation to it in column 2 shall be payable by the person who gives notice of intention to marry under section 3(2) of that Act, except that no such

(1) 1955 c. 29 (N.I.)

(2) 1983 c. 32

(3) By Northern Ireland Constitution Act 1973 (c. 76) s. 40 Sch 5 para 4(2)

(4) S.I.1976/1041 (N.I. 14)

(5) S.I. 1976/1212 (N.I. 21) as amended by the Trustee Savings Bank Act 1985 c. 58 s.s. 4(3), 7(3) Sch 4

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fee shall be payable by any person who is in receipt of benefit under section 122(1)(a) of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992⁽⁶⁾.

(2) Any fee payable by virtue of paragraph (1) shall be payable to the Registrar General.

Revocation

4. The Births, Deaths and Marriages (Fees) Order (Northern Ireland) 1995⁽⁷⁾ is hereby revoked.

Northern Ireland Office
15th September 1998

Marjorie Mowlam
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of
State

⁽⁶⁾ 1992 c. 7
⁽⁷⁾ S.R. 1995 No. 208

SCHEDULE

Articles 2 and 3

Fees Payable

Column 1 <i>Statutory Provision</i>	Column 2 <i>Service</i>	Column 3 <i>New Fee</i> £ p	Column 4 <i>Old Fee</i> £ p
Marriages (Ireland) Act 1844 (c. 81)			
Section 7	Registration of meeting house	25·00	3·50
Section 8	Minister's licence for marriage	10·50	10·50
Section 10	Entry by minister in marriage notice book	8·50	4·50
Section 14	Entry by registrar in marriage notice book	8·50	4·50
Section 16	Certificate of entry of notice in marriage notice book	5·50	3·00
Section 21	Registrar's licence for marriage	10·50	10·50
Section 27	Registration of place of public religious worship for solemnization of marriages	25·00	3·50
Section 28	Registration of substituted place of public religious worship for solemnization of marriages	25·00	3·50
Section 31	Marriage solemnized by licence in presence of registrar	12·50	11·00
	Marriage solemnized by certificate in presence of registrar	12·50	11·00
Section 68	Search in register book:		
	In respect of each year or part thereof to which the search extends	3·00	2·00

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Column 1 <i>Statutory Provision</i>	Column 2 <i>Service</i>	Column 3 <i>New Fee</i> £ p	Column 4 <i>Old Fee</i> £ p
	Certified copy of entry therein	4·00	4·00
Section 69	Searches in registrar's office in indexes of register books:		
	General search (to include 4 verifications)	6·00 (1·00 for each further verification)	5·50
	Particular search	3·00	2·00
	Certified copy of any entry in register book	4·00	4·00
Section 70	General search of indexes (to include 4 verifications)	6·00 (1·00 for each further verification)	5·50
	Particular search	3·00	2·00
	Certified copy of an entry in register	4·00	4·00
Marriage Law (Ireland) Amendment Act 1863 (c. 27)			
Section 12	Registration of place of public worship	25·00	3·50
Registration of Marriages (Ireland) Act 1863 (c. 90)			
Section 17	General search of indexes (to include 4 verifications)	6·00 (1·00 for each further verification)	5·50
	Particular search	3·00	2·00
	Certified copy of an entry in register	4·00	4·00
Section 18	Searches in registrar's office in indexes of register books:		
	General search (to include 4 verifications)	6·00 (1·00 for each further verification)	5·50
	Particular search	3·00	2·00
	Certified copy of an entry in register book	4·00	4·00
Section 19	Search in registrar's office in register book:		

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	In respect of each year or part thereof to which the search extends	3·00	2·00
	Certified copy of an entry in register book	4·00	4·00
Matrimonial Causes and Marriage Law (Ireland) Amendment Act 1870 (c. 110)			
Section 35	Licence for marriage	10·50	10·50
	Entry in marriage notice book	8·50	4·50
Savings Banks Act 1887 (c. 40)			
Section 10	Certificate of birth, death or marriage, for purposes of certain Acts	3·00	2·00
Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Fees, etc.) Act (Northern Ireland) 1955 (c. 29) (NI)			
Section 2(1)	For the purposes of the enactments specified in the Second Schedule to that Act.		
	Certified copy of entry	3·00	2·00
Section 2(2)	Furnishing information for the purposes of any enactment specified in the Second Schedule to that Act	3·00	2·00
Births and Deaths Registration (Northern Ireland) Order 1976 (N.I. 14)			
Article 34(3) and (4)	General search of indexes (to include 4 verifications)	6·00 (1·00 for each further verification)	5·50
	Particular search	3·00	2·00

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	Certified copy of any entry in register	4·00	4·00
Article 37(5)	Entering, under Article 37(2), baptismal or other name (given after registration of birth)	9·50	2·00
	Recording under Article 37(3) or (4), change of name or surname	20·00 (10·00 for second or subsequent members of the family)	9·50
Article 38	Search in register in registrar's office	3·00	2·00
	Certified copy of entry in register	4·00	4·00
Article 40	Short Birth Certificate:		
	First copy issued at time of registration of the birth	Nil	Nil
	Particular search	3·00	Nil
	Any copy issued thereafter	4·00	4·00
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 the Friendly Societies Act 1974 (c. 46)		
	Certified copy of entry	3·00	2·00
	For the purposes of the Industrial Assurance (Northern Ireland) Order 1979 and the Friendly Societies Act 1974		
	Certified copy of entry	4·00	4·00
Article 42(3)	Furnishing information for the purposes of any enactment specified	3·00	2·00

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	in Schedule 1 to that Order		
Marriage Act 1983 (c. 32)			
Section 3(2)	Attendance of Registrar of Marriages at a person's residence for the purpose of taking notice of intended marriage	18·00	16·00
Section 4	Issue of Registrar General's licence	10·50	10·50
Section 5	Attendance of Registrar of Marriages at a person's residence for the purpose of solemnization	18·00	16·00
Section 5	Solemnization by Registrar of Marriages	8·50	7·00

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order.)

This Order provides for the various fees payable under the Births, Deaths and Marriages enactments relating to:

- (a) licences and other preliminary proceedings for marriage;
- (b) registration for marriage purposes of meeting houses and other places of worship; and
- (c) registration of births, deaths and marriages.

The order makes provision for the person by whom and to whom fees are payable for services under the Marriage Act 1983 and exempts any person in receipt of income support from payment for those services.