

Order made by the Department for Communities and laid before the Assembly under section 96(2) of the Coronavirus Act 2020 for approval of the Assembly before the expiration of 40 days from the date of being made

STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2022 No. 214

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

The Coronavirus Act 2020 (Extension of Modifications of Requirements Regarding Medical Certificates for Cremations) (No. 2) Order (Northern Ireland) 2022

Made - - - - 13th September 2022

The Department for Communities makes the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by section 90(2) of the Coronavirus Act 2020(1).

Citation

1. This Order may be cited as the Coronavirus Act 2020 (Extension of Modifications of Requirements Regarding Medical Certificates for Cremations) (No. 2) Order (Northern Ireland) 2022.

Extension of expiry date

2. Section 21(1) to (6) of the Coronavirus Act 2020 do not expire at the time when they would otherwise expire and expire instead on 24 September 2022.

Revocation

3. The Coronavirus Act 2020 (Extension of Modifications of Requirements Regarding Medical Certificates for Cremations) Order (Northern Ireland) 2022(2) is revoked.

(1) [2020 c 7](#); section 90(2) receives its power to revoke [S.R. 2022 No. 130](#) by virtue of sections 14 and 24(3) of the Interpretation Act 1978
(2) [S.R. 2022 No. 130](#)

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department for Communities on 13 September 2022



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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

Section 21 of the Coronavirus Act 2020 (“the Act”) contains provisions modifying certain requirements regarding medical certificates for cremations.

Section 89(1) provides for the Act to expire at the end of the period of 2 years beginning with the day on which it was passed (25 March 2020). This is subject to limited exceptions, including section 21(7). Section 90 allows expiring provisions to be extended for not more than 6 months.

The Coronavirus Act 2020 (Extension of Modifications of Requirements Regarding Medical Certificates for Cremations) Order (Northern Ireland) 2022 ([S.R. 2022 No. 130](#)) extended the expiry date of section 21(1) to (6) to 24 September 2022, but that Order has not been approved by the Assembly. The Department, however, wishes to ensure that section 21(1) to (6) is extended to 24 September 2022 and so makes this Order. The making of this Order renders the continued operation of [S.R. 2022 No. 130](#) unnecessary and so that Order is revoked by this Order.