STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1977 No. 1912

REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS, DEATHS, MARRIAGES, ETC.

ENGLAND AND WALES

The Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Amendment) Regulations 1977

Made - - - 18th November 1977 Coming into Operation 1st January 1978

The Registrar General, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 39 of the Births and Deaths Registration Act 1953(a), section 20 of the Registration Service Act 1953(b) and section 20 of the Coroners (Amendment) Act 1926(c) as substituted by section 56 of and schedule 10 to the Criminal Law Act 1977(d) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, with the approval of the Secretary of State for Social Services, hereby makes the following regulations:—

Citation, interpretation and commencement

- 1.—(1) These regulations which may be cited as the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Amendment) Regulations 1977, shall be read as one with the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages Regulations 1968 (hereinafter referred to as the "principal regulations")(e) as amended(f) and shall come into operation on 1st January 1978.
- (2) These regulations and the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages Regulations 1968 to 1976 shall be cited together as the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages Regulations 1968 to 1977.

Amendment of Principal Regulations

- 2.—(1) There shall be substituted for regulation 54(2) of the principal regulations (registration of death after adjourned inquest) the following regulation—
 - "(2) Where the coroner's certificate relates to an inquest which has been adjourned the registrar shall register the death in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this regulation except that in space 7 instead of the words "Certificate received from" the registrar shall enter the words "Certificate on inquest adjourned received from"."

(b) 1953 c. 37.

(c) 1926 c. 59.

⁽a) 1953 c. 20.

⁽d) 1977 c. 45.

⁽e) S.I. 1968/2049 (1968 III, p. 5522).

⁽f) S.I. 1969/1811, 1970/1780, 1971/1218, 1974/571, 1976/2081 (1969 III, p. 5623; 1970 III, p. 5781; 1971 II, p. 3551; 1974 I, p. 2319; 1976 III, p. 5745).

(2) In regulation 76(1) of the principal regulations (correction of a death entry on coroner's certificate) for the words "a coroner's certificate after inquest" there shall be substituted the words "either a coroner's certificate after inquest or a coroner's certificate after inquest adjourned".

Given under my hand on 18th November 1977.

G. Paine, Registrar General.

I approve

David Ennals, Secretary of State for Social Services.

18th November 1977.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations amend the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages Regulations 1968. The amendment of regulation 54(2) provides for the reference to be made in the entry of a death to the certificate received from the coroner when the inquest touching the death has been adjourned. The amendment of regulation 76(1) provides for the superintendent registrar or the registrar, having custody of a death register containing an entry made in pursuance of either a coroner's certificate after inquest or a coroner's certificate after inquest adjourned, to report to the Registrar General on receiving a certificate given by the coroner authorising the correction of that entry.

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