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 STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS
 

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1985 No. 1960

**REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS, DEATHS, MARRIAGES,  
ETC.  
ENGLAND AND WALES**

**The Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Fees) Order  
1985**

<i>Made</i> - - - - -	12th December 1985
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>	23rd December 1985
<i>Coming into Operation</i>	1st April 1986

The Secretary of State for Social Services in exercise of the powers conferred by section 5(1) and (2) of, and 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) Order 1985 and shall come into operation on 1st April 1986.

*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 1983(c) (under which the fees payable were as respectively set out in column 5 of the Schedule to this Order which shows also the fees introduced by the Marriage Act 1983) and that Order is accordingly revoked.

12th December 1985. *Norman Fowler,*  
Secretary of State for Social Services.

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(a) 1968 c.14; Schedule 3 was amended by paragraph 21 of Schedule 9 to the Friendly Societies Act 1974 (c.46) and 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) 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. 1983/1778.

## SCHEDULE

## Article 2

## FEES PAYABLE

1	2 Enactment specifying fees	3 Matter for which fee is payable	4 New fee	5 Old fee
1855 c.81	Places of Worship Registration Act 1855 Section 5	Certification of place of meeting for religious wor- ship	£12.00	£10.00
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 regis- ter for purposes of that Act	£1.50	£1.50
1944 c.31	Education Act 1944 Section 94(1)	Copy of entry in birth regis- ter for purposes of certain Acts	£1.50	£1.50
1949 c.76	Marriage Act 1949 Section 27(6)	Entry in marriage notice book	£8.00	£6.50
	Section 27(7)(b)	Attendance of superinten- dent registrar other than at his office for purpose of be- ing given notice of marriage of house-bound or detained person	£22.00	£20.00
	Section 32(5)(c) Section 41(6)	Licence for marriage Registration of building for solemnization of marriages	£26.00 £65.00	£23.00 £60.00

(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 Bank Act 1985 (c.58).

(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).

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SCHEDULE (continued)

1	2 Enactment specifying fees	3 Matter for which fee is payable	4 New fee	5 Old fee
1949 c.76 (cont.)	Section 51(1)(a)	Fee of registrar for attending marriage— (i) at a register office	£10.00	£10.00
		(ii) at a registered building or at the place where a house-bound or detained person usually resides	£18.00	£16.00
	Section 51(2)(b)	Fee of a superintendent registrar attending marriage at the place where a house-bound or detained person usually resides	£22.00	£20.00
	Section 57(4)(c)	Sum paid to incumbent, etc, for every entry contained in quarterly certified copies of entries of marriage	£1.20	£1.00
	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
	Section 64(2)(a)	General search of indexes of register books kept by superintendent registrars	£12.00	£10.00
	(c)	Certified copy of entry issued under that subsection	£5.00	£5.00
Section 65(2)(c)	Certified copy of entry, following search of indexes kept at General Register Office	£5.00	£5.00	
1950 c.28	Shops Act 1950 Section 35(1)	Copy of entry in birth register for purposes of that Act	£1.50	£1.50
1953 c.20	Births and Deaths Registration Act 1953 Section 13(2)	Issue of certificate of baptism	£1.00	75p

(a) Section 51(1) was so numbered by paragraph 15 of Schedule 1 to the Marriage Act 1983.

(b) Section 51(2) was inserted by paragraph 15 of Schedule 1 to the Marriage Act 1983.

(c) Section 57(4) was amended by paragraph 40 of Schedule 29 to the Local Government Act 1972 (c.70).

## SCHEDULE (continued)

1	2 Enactment specifying fees	3 Matter for which fee is payable	4 New fee	5 Old fee
1953 c.20 (cont.)	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	£10.00
	(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 in any other case	£2.50	£2.50
1961 c.34	Factories Act 1961 Section 178(1)	Extract of entry in birth register for purposes of that Act	£1.50	£1.50
1974 c.46	Friendly Societies Act 1974 Section 106(2) and Schedule 5, paragraph 8	Certificate of birth or death for purposes of certain Acts	£1.50	£1.50
1975 c.14	Social Security Act 1975 Section 160(2)	Certificate of birth, death or marriage for purposes of certain Acts	£1.50	£1.50

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This Note is not part of the Order.)*

This Order increases certain of the fees payable under the Acts relating to the registration of births, deaths and marriages and associated matters and it consolidates the provisions for the new fees with the provisions of the Births, Deaths and Marriages (Fees) Order 1983 relating to those which are not changed. It also revokes that Order.

The increases take effect on 1st April 1986 and the fees payable both before and from that date are set out in the Schedule.

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