## STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 1987 No. 2088

# The Registration of Births and Deaths Regulations 1987

# PART V

## **RE-REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS OF LEGITIMATED PERSONS**

#### Making of declaration where parent does not attend

**21.**—(1) Instead of attending personally at the office of the relevant registrar, a parent may <sup>F1</sup>... verify the particulars required on re-registration in accordance with the following provisions of this Regulation [<sup>F2</sup>, provided that if the parent is not in England and Wales, he has obtained the written consent of the Registrar General].

(2) A parent who is in England or Wales may verify the particulars by making and signing before any registrar other than the relevant registrar a declaration of the particulars on an approved form.

(3) Any such declaration shall be attested by the registrar before whom it is made and sent by him to the relevant registrar.

(4) A parent who is not in England or Wales may verify the particulars by making and signing before a relevant authority, and sending to the Registrar General, a declaration of the particulars on an approved form.

- (5) In paragraph (4) "relevant authority" means-
  - (a) in the case of a parent who is in Scotland, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man, the Channel Islands or any part of the Commonwealth outside the British Islands or who is in the Irish Republic, a notary public and any other person who, in the place where the declaration is made, is authorised to administer oaths;
  - (b) in the case of a parent to whom sub-paragraph (a) above does not apply (and who is outside England and Wales), one of Her Majesty's consular officers, a notary public and any other person who, in the place where the declaration is made, is authorised to administer oaths so however that a declaration made otherwise than before a consular officer shall be authenticated by such an officer if the Registrar General so requires;
  - (c) in the case of a parent who is a member of Her Majesty's Forces and who is not in the United Kingdom, any officer who holds a rank not below that of Lieutenant-Commander, Major or Squadron-Leader.
- $[^{F3}(6)$  In this regulation parent means mother, father or other parent.]

#### **Textual Amendments**

- **F1** Words in reg. 21(1) omitted (1.7.1997) by virtue of The Registration of Births and Deaths (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 1997 (S.I. 1997/1533), regs. 1, **2(4)(a)**
- F2 Words in reg. 21(1) inserted (1.7.1997) by The Registration of Births and Deaths (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 1997 (S.I. 1997/1533), regs. 1, 2(4)(b)

F3 Reg. 21(6) inserted (1.9.2009) by The Registration of Births and Deaths (Amendment) (England and Wales) Regulations 2009 (S.I. 2009/2165), regs. 1(1), 15

### **Commencement Information**

I1 Reg. 21 in force at 1.1.1988, see reg. 1

**Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Registration of Births and Deaths Regulations 1987, Section 21.