



Births and Deaths Registration Act 1874

1874 CHAPTER 88 37 and 38 Vict

Burials

19 Notice where coffin contains more than one body.

Where there is in the coffin in which any deceased person is brought for burial the body of any other deceased person, or the body of any still-born child, the undertaker or other person who has charge of the funeral shall deliver to the person who buries or performs any funeral or religious service for the burial of such body or bodies notice in writing signed by such undertaker or other person, and stating to the best of his knowledge and belief with respect to each such body the following particulars:—

- (a) If the body is the body of a deceased person, the name, sex, and place of abode of the said deceased person;
- (b) If the body has been found exposed, and the name and place of abode are unknown, the fact of the body having been so found and of the said particulars being unknown; and
- (c) If the body is that of a deceased child without a name, or a still-born child, the name and place of abode of the father, or, if it is illegitimate, of the mother of such child.

Every person who fails to comply with this section shall be liable [^{F1}on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 1 on the standard scale].

Textual Amendments

F1 Words in s. 19 substituted (5.11.1993) by 1993 c. 50, s. 1(2), [Sch. 2 Pt. 1 para.7](#).

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Births and Deaths Registration Act 1874, Section 19.