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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1988 No. 165**

**REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS,  
DEATHS, MARRIAGES, ETC.**

ENGLAND AND WALES

The Registration of Births, Deaths  
and Marriages (Fees) Order 1988

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>8th February 1988</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>15th February 1988</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>1st April 1988</i>

The Secretary of State for Social Services in exercise of the powers conferred by section 5(1) and (2) of, and paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 3 to, the Public Expenditure and Receipts Act 1968<sup>(1)</sup> and now vested in him<sup>(2)</sup> 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 1987<sup>(3)</sup> (under which the fees payable were as respectively set out in column 5 of the Schedule to this Order) and that Order is accordingly revoked.

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(1) 1968 c. 14; paragraph 1 of Schedule 3 was amended by paragraph 21 of Schedule 9 to the Friendly Societies Act 1974 (c. 46) and by 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.

(2) See 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).

(3) S.I. 1987/50.

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Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Social Services.

8th February 1988

*Skelmersdale*  
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State,  
Department of Health and Social Security

## 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 worship	£12.00	£12.00
1887 c. 40	Savings Banks Act 1887			
	Section 10(4)	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 register for purposes of that Act	£1.50	£1.50
1944 c. 31	Education Act 1944			
	Section 94(1)	Copy of entry in birth register for purposes of certain Acts	£1.50	£1.50
1949 c. 76	Marriage Act 1949			
	Section 27(6)	Entry in marriage notice book	£10.00	£10.00
	Section 27(7)(5)	Attendance of superintendent registrar other than at his office	£24.00	£24.00

(4) 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 Banks Act 1985 (c. 58) and is applied by regulation 32 of the Savings Certificates Regulations 1972 (S.I. 1972/641) and by regulation 25 of the Premium Savings Banks Regulations 1972 (S.I. 1972/765).

(5) Section 27(7) was inserted by paragraph 5(c) of Schedule 1 to the Marriage Act 1983.

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(1)	(2) Enactment specifying fees	(3) Matter for which fee is payable	(4) New fee	(5) Old fee
		for purpose of being given notice of marriage of house-bound or detained person		
	Section 32(5)(6)	Licence for marriage	£28.00	£28.00
	Section 41(6)	Registration of building for solemnization of marriages	£70.00	£70.00
	Section 51(1)(7)	Fee of registrar for attending marriage—		
		(i) at a register office	£12.00	£11.00
		(ii) at a registered building or at the place where a house-bound or detained person usually resides	£21.00	£20.00
	Section 51(2)(8)	Fee of a superintendent registrar attending marriage at the place where a house-bound or detained person usually resides	£24.00	£24.00
	Section 57(4)(9)	Sum paid to incumbent, etc. for every entry contained in quarterly certified copies of entries of marriage	£1.20	£1.20

(6) Section 32(5) was amended by article 4(2) of the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Fees) Order 1968 (S.I. 1968/1242).

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

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

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

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(1)	(2) Enactment specifying fees	(3) Matter for which fee is payable	(4) New fee	(5) Old fee
	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	£5.00
	Section 64(2)(a)	General search of indexes of register books kept by superintendent registrars	£12.00	£12.00
	Section 64(2)(c)	Certified copy of entry issued under that subsection	£5.00	£5.00
	Section 65(2)(c)	Certified copy of entry, following a 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	£1.00
	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	£12.00

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(1)	(2) Enactment specifying fees	(3) Matter for which fee is payable	(4) New fee	(5) Old fee
	Section 31(2)(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)(10)	Certificate of birth, death or marriage for	£1.50	£1.50

(10) Section 160 is applied by section 11 of the Industrial Injuries and Diseases (Old Cases) Act 1975 (c. 16) and section 9(1) of the Child Benefit Act 1975 (c. 61).

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
	Enactment specifying fees	Matter for which fee is payable	New fee	Old fee
		purposes of certain Acts		

### EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order specifies the fees payable for the year beginning 1st April 1988 under the Acts relating to the registration of births, deaths and marriages and associated matters.

The fees payable under section 51(1) of the Marriage Act 1949 are increased, but otherwise the fees payable from 1st April 1988 are the same as those payable before.