Births and Deaths Rules

REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS AND DEATHS ACT (CHAPTER 267, SECTION 29)

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Citation

1. These Rules may be cited as the Registration of Births and Deaths Rules.

Definition

2. In these Rules, unless the context otherwise requires, "dangerous infectious disease" has the same meaning as in the Infectious Diseases Act (Cap. 137).

BIRTHS

Report of birth

3. Reports of birth shall be made at the office of the supervising deputy registrar, if any, or of any deputy registrar duly appointed for any registration area.

Identification

- **4.** For the purpose of registering a birth, the supervising deputy registrar or the deputy registrar may require the parents of the child to produce
 - (a) their identity cards or other identification documents, if any;
 - (b) their marriage certificate, if any; and
 - (c) such other documents as may be issued by the medical practitioner or midwife who delivered the child.

Particulars of birth

5. Particulars of the birth shall be recorded in the register of births in Form A set out in the First Schedule.

Deputies to forward completed registers to registrar

6. The deputy registrar of a registration area shall forward the duly completed registers of births through the supervising deputy registrar, if any, for his registration area, to the office of the registrar.

Subsequent registration of name

7. When the name of a child is not reported at the time of making such report, and the name is subsequently reported under section 11 of the Act, an application and a certificate in Form B, C or D set out in the First Schedule shall be presented to the registrar.

Surname of illegitimate child

- **8.**—(1) An application for the surname of the father of an illegitimate child to be entered in a register of births as having been given to the child under section 10(3) of the Act, shall be made to the registrar having custody of the register.
 - (2) Where the application is made
 - (a) by a parent or guardian of the child, it shall be in Form E set out in the First Schedule; or
 - (b) by the child who has attained 21 years of age, it shall be in Form F set out in the First Schedule.

DEATHS

Report of death

9. In the case of a death where a medical practitioner has not given a certificate of the cause of death, a report of the death shall be made to any police station or neighbourhood police post.

Sudden or unnatural death

- **10.** A police officer shall
 - (a) in all cases of sudden or unnatural death comply with section 273 of the Criminal Procedure Code (Cap. 68); and
 - (b) in all other cases immediately report the matter to the inspecting officer authorised by a registrar or a supervising deputy registrar under section 8(2) of the Act.

Duties of inspecting officer

- 11.—(1) Upon being informed of a death, the inspecting officer authorised by the registrar or the supervising deputy registrar under section 8(2) of the Act shall forthwith proceed to the house or place where the body is, and shall view the body and make such inquiry as he may consider necessary.
- (2) In a case where the death appears to be due to an unnatural cause or a dangerous infectious disease, the inspecting officer referred to in sub-paragraph (1) may there and then, if satisfied as to the cause of death, issue his certificate of the cause of death in Form G set out in the First Schedule.

Procedure

12. The person desiring to bury or cremate the body shall take the certificate of the cause of death together with the identity card or other identification documents, if any, of the deceased to the office of the supervising deputy registrar, if any, or of the deputy registrar duly appointed for a registration area who shall record the particulars of the death in the register of deaths in Form H set out in the First Schedule.

Death due to dangerous infectious disease

13. Where the death appears to be due to a dangerous infectious disease, the inspecting officer authorised under section 8(2) of the Act shall comply with section 6 of the Infectious Diseases Act (Cap. 137) and shall require the body to be sent to a hospital mortuary for postmortem examination.

Procedure when medical practitioner gives certificate of death

14. In every case where a medical practitioner has given a certificate of the cause of death, the person desiring to bury or cremate the body shall take the certificate (which shall be in Form G set out in the First Schedule) together with the identity card or other identification documents, if any, of the deceased to the office of the supervising deputy registrar, if any, or of the deputy registrar duly appointed for a registration area and subject to section 19(3) of the Act, the supervising deputy registrar or the deputy registrar shall register the death in Form H set out in the First Schedule.

When post-mortem examination held

15. In any case where a medical practitioner makes a post-mortem examination of a body, the certificate required by section 20 of the Act shall be in Form G set out in the First Schedule.

Coroner's order for burial

16. A coroner's order for burial under section 274 of the Criminal Procedure Code (Cap. 68) shall be taken to a supervising deputy registrar or a deputy registrar who shall record the particulars of the death in the register of death in Form H set out in the First Schedule.

Coroner's certificate

17. The supervising deputy registrar or a deputy registrar who receives a Coroner's certificate under section 21(1) of the Act shall record the particulars of the death in the register of death in Form H set out in the First Schedule with such modification as he may think necessary.

STILL BIRTHS

Report of still birth

18. Reports of still births shall be made at the office of the supervising deputy registrar, if any, or of any deputy registrar duly appointed for any registration area.

Documents

19. The identity cards or other identification documents, if any, of the parents together with the written certificate issued by the medical practitioner or midwife under section 14(a) of the Act or a declaration made by a person under section 14(b) of the Act have to be produced before registration is effected.

Particulars to be recorded in register of still births

20. Particulars of a still birth shall be recorded in the register of still births in Form I set out in the First Schedule.

Certificate by medical practitioner or midwife

21. The certificate by a medical practitioner or a midwife issued under section 14(a) of the Act, shall be in Form J set out in the First Schedule.

Declaration

22. The declaration required under section 14(b) of the Act shall be in Form K set out in the First Schedule.

GENERAL

Form of late registers

23. The late registers provided in section 23 of the Act shall be in forms similar to those of the appropriate register endorsed with the words "Late Registration".

Adopted abandoned child

- **24.**—(1) Where an adoption order has been made by a court for the adoption of an abandoned child by any person, the registrar may, at the request of such person and before the issue of the certificate of registration of birth or certified extract from the register of births in respect of that child
 - (a) insert a time representing the hour of birth of the child, wherever such time is not entered therein; and

- (b) amend the place or address of birth of the child, wherever the entry appearing in the original register of births is likely to be embarrassing to the child in the future.
- (2) The registrar may insert the correct particulars of the birth of such child in the certificate or certified extract if any new evidence relating thereto subsequently comes to light.

Extent of Rules

25. These Rules shall apply to the registration of births, still births and deaths occurring within the territorial waters of Singapore.

Application to search or for extract

26. An application for a search or a certified extract from the register of births or the register of deaths shall be made in such manner and form as the Registrar-General may require.

Fees

27. The fees payable under the Act are set out in the Second Schedule.

Waiver of fees

28. The Registrar-General of Births and Deaths may, in his discretion, waive wholly or in part the fees payable under these Rules.

FIRST SCHEDULE

FORM A

Rule 5

REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS AND DEATHS ACT (CHAPTER 267)

REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS AND DEATHS ACT (CHAPTER 267) CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION OF BIRTH

BIRTH REGISTRATION NO.

	Birth Registered at					
CHILD'S PARTICULARS	Full Name					
PAHIR	Sex	Date of Birth		Time of Birth		
CHILDS	Place or Address of Birth					
	Name				Date of Birth	
ARS	NRIC/Identification Document No.	Race		Dialect Group		
PARTICULARS	Nationality		Country/Place of	Birth		
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FORM B

Rule 7

REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS AND DEATHS ACT (CHAPTER 267)

REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS AND DEATHS ACT (CHAPTER 267)

CERTIFICATE OF NAME GIVEN IN BAPTISM WITHIN 12 MONTHS AFTER DATE OF BIRTH

I,			
of			•
do hereby c	ertify that (according to	the Register of B	Saptism for
		_ now in my custo	dy)* the male/female† child
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to		and	was on
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	in the name _		
Witness	sed by my hand this	day of	20
		Signature	
		Description	
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-	(FOR REGISTRAR	'S USE ONLY)	
Information submitted	Registrar-General.	Registrar,	No
within	Information submitted after 12 months and within 7 years of birth.	Approved for registration	Fee paid \$
12 months of birth.			Vide receipt No.
	Referred.		Entry made
	Registrar	Registrar-General	Registrar

FORM C

Rule 7

REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS AND DEATHS ACT (CHAPTER 267)

REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS AND DEATHS ACT (CHAPTER 267)

CERTIFICATE OF NAME GIVEN NOT IN BAPTISM WITHIN 12 MONTHS AFTER DATE OF BIRTH

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Information submitted within 12 months of birth.	Registrar-General. Information submitted after 12 months and within 7 years of birth. Referred.	Registrar, Approved for registration	No Fee paid \$ Vide receipt No Entry made	
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FORM D

Rule 7

REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS AND DEATHS ACT (CHAPTER 267)

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			Registrar	

FORM E

Rule 8(2)(*a*)

REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS AND DEATHS ACT (CHAPTER 267)

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Birth Certificate Registration	No
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	Registrar

FORM F

Rule 8(2)(*b*)

REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS AND DEATHS ACT (CHAPTER 267)

REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS AND DEATHS ACT (CHAPTER 267)

APPLICATION BY AN ILLEGITIMATE CHILD WHO HAS ATTAINED 21 YEARS OF AGE FOR HIS SURNAME TO BE CHANGED TO THAT OF HIS FATHER UNDER SECTION 10 (3) AND (4)

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	, do hereby apply for my surname in the		
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Date of registration of birth			
Registered surname			
Birth Certificate Registration No.			
Date:			
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Fee Paid \$	Application No.		
	Entry made		
vide Receipt No.			