

REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS, DEATHS, MARRIAGES AND CIVIL PARTNERSHIPS, ETC – FEES

Background

1. Registration service fees are set by the Registrar General with the approval of Scottish Ministers by regulations made under the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Scotland) Act 1965, the Marriage (Scotland) Act 1977, the Civil Partnership Act 2004 and the Local Electoral Administration and Registration Services (Scotland) Act 2006. The Registrar General prescribes statutory fees charged by the General Register Office for Scotland (GROS) and also those charged by local registration offices.

2. The tables below show the current fees (and the date last amended) that are affected by change and the new fees that will apply from 1 January 2011 or 1 April 2011, as indicated. Other registration statutory fees (e.g. for marriages, civil partnerships, etc) are unaffected.

Fees payable to District Registrars

3. The following changes to fees payable to District Registrars will come into effect on **1 January 2011**: –

Service	Current Fee	New Fee
Issue of an extract (certificate)	£9 (since 1/4/2009)	£10
General Search per hour	£10 (since 1/4/1998)	£15

Fees payable to Registrar General

4. The following changes to fees payable to the Registrar General will come into effect on **1 January 2011**: –

Service	Current Fee	New Fee
Issue of an extract (certificate)	£8 (since 1/4/1997)	£10
Priority handling fee for extracts (certificates)	£10 (since 1/4/1995)	£15
Particular search in the records for each period of 5 years		
• In person	£3 (since 1/4/1994)	£5
• By post	£5 (since 1/4/1994)	£5

Service	Current Fee	New Fee
Bulk particular search in the records <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • per application; • for each of the first 20,000 records searched; • for each group of 10 records (or part thereof) searched additional to the first 20,000 records 	£100 (since 1/10/2002) £0.01 (since 1/10/2002) £0.01 (since 1/10/2002)	£120 £0.012 £0.012
Express bulk particular search in the records <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • per application; • for each of the first 20,000 records searched; • for each group of 10 records (or part thereof) searched additional to the first 20,000 records 	New services	£180 £0.018 £0.018
Recording of name, or change of name or surname or alternative name	£36 (since 1/4/1999)	£40

Fees payable for the ScotlandsPeople Centre and internet site

5. The following changes to fees payable to the Registrar General will come into effect on **1 April 2011**: –

Service	Current Fee	New Fee
ScotlandsPeople Internet Search – per search session	£6 (since 1/8/1997)	£7

Service	Current Fee	New Fee
Period of a ScotlandsPeople "Internet search"	90 days (since 1/01/2007)	1 year
Issue of a copy or extract of an entry identified by an Internet search	£10 (since 1/8/1997)	£12
ScotlandsPeople Centre General search – in a case where a block reservation of 10 places has been made	£9 per place reserved (since 28/4/2008)	Discontinue
General search – per day	£10 (since 28/4/2008) <i>Prior to that £17</i>	£15
General search – per quarter	£440 (since 28/4/2008) <i>Prior to that £500</i>	£490
General search – per year	£1,250 (since 28/4/2008) <i>Prior to that £1,500</i>	£1,450
General search – 2 hours after 16:30 on weekdays for up to 20 people per group	New services	£200
General search - 2 hours after 16:30 on weekdays for between 21 to 50 people per group		£250
General search - 2 hours after 16:30 on weekdays per person		£10
General search – full day on Saturday, Sunday or public holiday per person		£30