

**REGISTRATION OF MARRIAGES ACT  
(CHAPTER 124)  
REGISTRATION OF MARRIAGES RULES**

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**Rules under section 17**

**REGISTRATION OF MARRIAGES RULES**

*Commencement: 1st January 1962*

**Citation.**

1. These Rules may be cited as the Registration of Marriages Rules.

**Interpretation.**

2. In these Rules, "Act" means the Registration of Marriages Act.

**Returns to Registrar General.**

3. Every Registrar shall send to the Registrar General of Marriages within the first week of January, April, July and October in each year the certified copies required so to be sent by section 7 and by subsection (1) of section 13 of the Act of the entries in the register in his custody of all marriages registered and, of all corrections of any errors in the particulars of any marriages registered therein made during the 3 months immediately preceding the 1st of January, the 1st of April, the 1st of July, and the 1st of October respectively and if no marriages have been registered or if no such corrections have been made the Registrar shall so inform the said Registrar General.

**Custody of Registers etc.**

4. Every Registrar shall keep every register, every Registrar's Note-Book and all Declarations and any other documents filed by him in connection with the registration of any marriage in a safe or other fire-proof receptacle.

**Numbering of applications and of documents and entries related thereto.**

5. Every application for the registration of a marriage shall be given a serial number in a yearly sequence by the Registrar in the Registrar's Note-Book, and the Declaration and any other document filed by him in connection with the registration of the said marriage and the relevant entry, if any, in the register and every certified copy of the said entry in respect of the said marriage shall be endorsed with the said serial number.

**Certified copies.**

6. (1) Every certified copy must contain every detail as shown in the register, including any errors, deletions or amendments, and shall not be certified by a Registrar unless he is personally satisfied that it is an exact copy of the original entry in the register.

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(2) Certified copies of entries in a register shall be in the form in the First Schedule hereto and books of printed certified copy forms serially numbered shall be issued by the Registrar General of Marriages. No certified copy of any entry in a register shall be issued except on the prescribed printed form.

**Indexes.**

7. (1) The Registrar General of Marriages and every registrar shall cause an alphabetical index to be made of the certified copies of entries in registers or of all the registers and Registrar's Note-Books, as the case may be, in his custody or so many indexes as he thinks fit so that the search for any application or entry is facilitated.

(2) Indexes shall be available for search by the public, on payment of the fee prescribed in the Second Schedule hereto, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 12 noon and 2.30 p.m. and 4 p.m. on the usual office working days.

(3) Indexes shall not be available for search by the public on holidays.

(4) Postal request for searches may be made by the public and these shall only be carried out after receipt of payment of the fee prescribed in the Second Schedule hereto.

(5) If a certified copy of any entry is required by postal applicants the corresponding fee for such certified copy shall accompany the fee for the search.

(6) Searches and certified copies required by any public officer in his capacity as such shall be carried out and issued without fee.

**Correction of errors.**

8. (1) No error discovered in any entry in a register in respect of a marriage registered in accordance with the provisions of the Act at any time subsequent to the actual registration thereof shall be corrected in any circumstances except in accordance with the provisions of this rule.

(2) Where on personal application or on application in writing it appears, or is represented, to the Registrar having the custody of a marriage register that an error has been made in any particular contained in any entry in such register he shall send a report thereon to the Registrar General of Marriages together with a copy of the said entry and any documentary evidence submitted to him and shall comply with any instructions which the said Registrar General may give for the purpose of verifying the facts and of ascertaining whether the parties or any witnesses are available. The said Registrar General shall advise the Registrar of the nature of the correction and as to the manner of making the same.

(3) If the correction relates to an erroneous particular contained in an entry a line in ink shall be drawn thereunder and the correct particular shall be entered in the margin and the Registrar shall sign the same, and shall state the date upon which he has so signed. If the error is one of omission in an entry the correction shall be made by indicating in the margin the nature of the omission, which shall be signed and dated as aforesaid.

**Refusal to register.**

9. (1) A Registrar shall not register any marriage, the registration of which has been refused by another Registrar, without consulting the Registrar General of Marriages.

(2) Where registration of a marriage has been refused the full facts of the case, together with copies of the Declaration and of any statements, and any relevant document shall be sent to the said Registrar General.

**Signature.**

10. Any person who is required by a Registrar to sign shall, if unable to do so, imprint his right thumb impression in place of his signature.

**Fees.**

11. The fees to be paid in respect of the several matters provided for in the Act shall be those specified in the Second Schedule hereto.

**FIRST SCHEDULE**  
**BRUNEI DARUSSALAM**  
**REGISTRATION OF MARRIAGES ACT, CHAPTER 124**  
**CERTIFIED COPY OF AN ENTRY IN A REGISTER**  
**(section 7, rule 6)**

No. ....

Register of marriages for .....  
 No. ....  
 Register of marriages for .....  
 in Brunei Darussalam.  
 Entry No. ....  
 Name of husband .....  
 Name of wife .....  
 Date of registration .....  
 Date of issue of this Certified copy .....  
 This copy issued/not issued at the time of registration.

Register of marriages for ..... in Brunei Darussalam

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Entry No. .... Marriage contracted on the ..... at .....

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|                               | Husband | Wife  |
|-------------------------------|---------|-------|
| Name in full .....            | .....   | ..... |
| Age at date of marriage ..... | .....   | ..... |
| Place of Birth .....          | .....   | ..... |
| Religion .....                | .....   | ..... |
| Marital status .....          | .....   | ..... |
| Father's name in full .....   | .....   | ..... |

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Contracted according to the rites, ceremonies or usages of .....  
 in the presence of .....

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Registered by me this ..... day of ..... 20 ....., upon the application  
 of ..... now residing at ..... and  
 ..... now residing at .....  
 the parties married, supported by the evidence of .....

**Registrar**

*Registrar of Marriages*  
 In accordance with the provisions of the Registration of Marriages Act, and of the rules made thereunder I certify that the above is a true and exact copy of Entry No. .... in the register of marriages for ..... in Brunei Darussalam.

~~Registrar of Marriages~~  
*Registrar General of Marriages*

**SECOND SCHEDULE**

(rules 7(4) and 11)

**FEES**

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| For registration of marriage .....   | \$15 |
| For each certified copy of an entry in a register (other than the copies delivered under section 7 of the Act, which shall be delivered free of charge) issued at the time of registration ..... | \$ 5 |
| For each certified copy of an entry in a register issued after registration .....  | \$10 |
| Personal search .....  | \$ 5 |
| Postal application for search —  |      |
| if search confined to a period of one year .....   | \$ 5 |
| if search extends between 2 and 5 years .....  | \$10 |
| if search extends between 5 and 10 years .....   | \$15 |
| if search extends over 10 years .....  | \$20 |

(rule 8)

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| For the correction of errors of fact or substance | \$3 for every word or figure corrected. |
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