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The Registration of Births and Deaths (Supplementary Provisions) (Guernsey) Law, 1978 *

[CONSOLIDATED TEXT]

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Ordres en Conseil Vol. XXVI, p. 465.

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THE STATES, in pursuance of their Resolution of the twenty-seventh day of October, nineteen hundred and seventy-seven, have approved the following provisions which, subject to the Sanction of Her Most Excellent Majesty in Council, shall have force of law in the Bailiwick of Guernsey.

Alternative form of certificate of cause of death.

1. (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of Article eleven of the Law entitled "Loi relative à l'Enregistrement des Naissances et Décès dans le Bailliage de l'Île de Guernesey", registered on the ninth day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-five, as amended^a (hereinafter referred to as "**the principal Law**"), where a medical practitioner has carried out a post mortem examination of the body of a deceased person and a Law Officer of the Crown is satisfied, after scrutiny of the written report of the medical practitioner upon the post mortem examination, that the death of that person was due to natural causes, the death may be registered on production of a certificate made in accordance with the form set out in the Schedule to this Law signed by the medical practitioner and by the Law Officer of the Crown.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of Article nine of the principal Law, a declaration of death made to the Registrar may be accompanied by a

^a Ordres en Conseil Vol. X, p. 20; Vol. XX, p. 267; Vol. XXII, p. 48.

certificate in the form contained in the Schedule to this Law instead of a certificate in the form mentioned in Article eleven of the principal Law.

(3) Notwithstanding the provisions of Article thirteen of the principal Law, the Registrar may deliver a Death Certificate and permission to bury in accordance with Form "D" of the Schedule to that Law on receipt of a certificate of the cause of death signed by a medical practitioner and a Law Officer of the Crown in accordance with the form set out in the Schedule to this Law.

Interpretation.

2. (1) In this Law the expression "**medical practitioner**" means a person authorised to practise as a medical practitioner by the Royal Court in accordance with the provisions of the Doctors, Dentists, Veterinary Surgeons (Authorisation) Ordinance, 1951, as amended^b.

(2) Any reference in this Law to any other enactment shall, except where the context otherwise requires, be construed as a reference to that enactment as amended, repealed and replaced, extended or applied by or under any other enactment, including this Law.

NOTE

The Doctors, Dentists, Veterinary Surgeons (Authorisation) Ordinance, 1951 has since been repealed by the Doctors, Dentists and Pharmacists Ordinance, 1987, section 6(1), Schedule, with effect from 1st July, 1987, subject to the savings in section 6(2) and (3) of the 1987 Ordinance.

Citation, construction and collective title.

3. (1) This Law may be cited as the Registration of Births and

^b Recueil d'Ordonnances Tome X, p. 171; Tome XII, p. 117.

Deaths (Supplementary Provisions) (Guernsey) Law, [1977], and shall be construed as one with the principal Law.

(2) This Law and the principal Law may be cited together as the Registration of Births and Deaths (Guernsey) Laws, 1935 to 1978.

NOTES

The Law received Royal Sanction on 25th July, 1978 and was registered on the Records of the Island of Guernsey on 22nd August, 1978.

The date in square brackets in subsection (1) shown, incorrectly, in the printed version of this section as "1977" should read "1978".

SCHEDULE

Section one

FORM E

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF CAUSE OF DEATH AFTER POST MORTEM
EXAMINATION

Name of deceased Age as stated to me yrs

Deceased identified to me by

Date and time of death as stated to me day of 19 , at a.m.
p.m.

Place of death

CAUSE OF DEATH		For Statistical purposes only
I	I	Approximate interval between onset and death
		I
Disease or condition directly leading to death (see Note)	(a) due to (or as a consequence of)	(a)
Antecedent causes	(b) due to (or as a consequence of)	(b)
Morbid conditions, if any, giving rise to the above cause stating the underlying condition last	(c)	(c)

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II	II	II
Other significant conditions contributing to the death, but not related to the disease or condition causing it

I hereby certify that I have performed a post mortem examination of the body of the above named deceased person and that the particulars and cause of death above are true to the best of my knowledge and belief. I further certify that the said cause or causes of death were natural.

Signature Qualifications

Date

NOTE: This does not mean the mode of dying such as e.g. heart failure, asthenia, etc; it means disease or complications which caused death.

THIS SECTION FOR USE BY THE LAW OFFICERS OF THE CROWN ONLY:

I am satisfied as to the cause of death above certified and that there is no need for an inquest into the circumstances of this death.

Dated this day of 19

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H.M. Procureur/Comptroller