

Birth, marriage, civil partnership and death certificates

Customer Guide Number 14

Information contained on a birth, marriage, civil partnership or death certificate

1. Details contained on a full birth certificate include:

- Name, date and place of birth.
- Father's name (if given at time of registration), place of birth and occupation.
- Mother's name, place of birth, maiden surname and, after 1984, occupation.

Please note that registrations made before 1969 do not include details of the parents' place of birth and mother's occupation.

2. Details contained on a marriage certificate prior to 4th May 2021 include:

- Date and place of marriage.
- Name, age and marital status/condition of the parties.
- Occupation and usual address.
- Name and occupation of each party's father.
- Names of the witnesses.
- Name of the person who solemnised the marriage.

3. Details contained on a marriage certificate after 4th May 2021 include.

- Date and place of marriage.
- Name, date of birth and marital status/condition of the parties.
- Occupation and usual address.
- Name of each party's mother/father/parent (up to 4 entries per party).
- Names of the witnesses.
- Name of the person who solemnised the marriage

4. Details contained on a civil partnership certificate include:

- Date and place of civil partnership.
- Name, date of birth and marital status/condition of the parties.
- Occupation and usual address.
- Name of each party's mother/father/parent (up to 4 entries per party).
- Names of the witnesses.
- Name of the person who performed the civil ceremony

5. Details contained on a death certificate include:

- Name, date and place of death.
- Date and place of birth (before 1969 a certificate only showed age of deceased).
- Occupation and usual address.
- Cause of death.
- The person who gave information for the death registration.