

**AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY
BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
REGISTRATION ACT 1997**

DETERMINATION OF FEES

INSTRUMENT NO. 206 OF 1998

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Act 1997 prescribes the procedures for the reporting of a birth, death or marriage in the Territory and requires the Registrar-General to maintain Registers of Births, Deaths, Marriages and Parentage Information. In particular, section 67 empowers the Minister to determine fees for the purposes of the Act.

This Determination revokes Determination of Fees No 116 of 1998 made on 28 May 1998 and notified in the Australian Capital Territory Gazette No. S159 of 18 June 1998 and Determination of Fees No. 151 of 1998 made on 29 June 1998 and notified in the Australian Capital Territory Gazette No. S173 of 1 July 1998 and determines that the various fees payable under the Act, including fees for registration of a name, searching of a Register, requesting copies of documents held in the Registers and the posting of notices, shall be as set out in the Schedule to the Determination.

The Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Act 1997 commenced on 25 June 1998 and repealed the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages Act 1963. The Act established revised fees and charges for existing and new services.

The fees for items 1 and 2 have been adjusted by a margin of 1.8% in accordance with the anticipated movement in 1998/99 of the Consumer Price Index and with a view to full cost recovery.

Items 3, 5 & 6 are the same as items that related to the repealed Act. The fee has been \$25.00 for the last two financial years and is now increased to reflect Consumer Price Index changes on a biennial basis (1.75% for 1997/98 and anticipated 1.8% for 1998/99) and with a view to full cost recovery.

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THE SCHEDULE

COLUMN 1 (Item in Schedule of the Act in respect of which fee is payable)	COLUMN 2 MATTER	97/98 FEE	98/99 FEE
1	Application to Register Change of Adult's Name section 18	\$ 65.00	\$ 66.00
2	Application to Register Change of Child's Name section 19	\$ 65.00	\$ 66.00
3	Request for Change of Name to be noted in Birth Record section 21	\$ 25.00	\$ 26.00
4	Application to alter Register to Record Change of Sex section 24	\$ 25.00	\$ 26.00
5	Access to the Register section 42	\$ 25.00	\$ 26.00
6	Search of the Register including issue of a Certificate section 43	\$ 25.00	\$ 26.00
7	Search of the Register including issue of a Certificate or extract from, or entry in an index or register or notifying the result of a search by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people affected by separation from their families and communities	NIL	NIL