

# REGISTRATION OF IDENTITY OF PERSONS.

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No. 13 of 1975.

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AN ACT to make provision for the registration of the identity of persons and for other and incidental purposes.

*[Assented to 9th May, 1975.]*

BE it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly of Western Australia, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the *Registration of Identity of Persons Act, 1975.* Short title.
2. This Act shall come into operation on a day to be fixed by proclamation. Commencement.



5. (1) Subject to this Act, if the information relating to any of the particulars set forth in the form in the Schedule to this Act in respect of a person who has submitted an application under section 4 of this Act has been proved to his satisfaction the Registrar General shall enter the information in the Register but where the Registrar General is furnished with information that is not complete he may enter in the Register only such particulars as he is satisfied are authentic.

Entry of  
particulars.

(2) When acting under the provisions of subsection (1) of this section the Registrar General shall have regard to the special circumstances of each case.

6. (1) Subject to this section the Registrar General shall, upon request and on payment of the prescribed fee—

Searches  
and  
certified  
copies.

(a) cause a search to be made of the Register;  
and

(b) provide a certified copy of an entry in the Register.

(2) Where the Registrar General is of opinion that the reason for which a search of the Register or certified copy of an entry therein is not sufficient he shall refuse to cause the search to be made or to issue the certified copy of entry.

(3) Where pursuant to subsection (2) of this section the Registrar General refuses to cause a search to be made or to issue a certified copy of entry in the Register, the applicant therefor may in writing and upon payment of the prescribed fee for the search or the certified copy, as the case may be, request the Minister to direct the Registrar General to cause the search to be made or certified copy to be issued and if the Minister so directs, the Registrar General shall give effect to the direction of the Minister.

7. Every application for registration under this Act shall contain a statutory declaration in the prescribed form.

Application  
to contain  
declaration.



11. (1) If the Registrar General is satisfied that a person whose identity has been registered in the Register has lawfully changed his name or lawfully assumed a new name since any such registration, the Registrar General may on receipt of—

Change of  
name may  
be entered  
in Register.

- (a) an application in the prescribed form by that person, or, in the case of a child, by the parents or guardian of the child, for the changed or assumed name to be entered in the Register;
- (b) a copy of the document (if any) authorizing the change or assumption of the name; and
- (c) the prescribed fee,

cause an entry to be made in the Register in relation to the registration of that person's identity.

(2) The Registrar General shall not cause an entry to be made in the registration of the identity of a female person pursuant to this section, by reason only of the change of the name of that person consequent upon marriage or upon the change of such a name, to a name other than the maiden surname of that person.

12. The Registrar General may impound and keep any certified copy of an entry in the Register that has, subsequent to the issue of that certified copy, been altered or changed in any particular.

Power to  
impound  
certified  
copies  
after  
alteration.

13. No action or claim for damages shall lie against the Registrar General for or on account of anything done or authorized to be done by him, and purporting to be done for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Act, unless it is proved that the act was done or authorized to be done maliciously and without reasonable and probable cause.

No action  
against  
Registrar  
General.



