STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1970 No. 481

CENSUS

The Census Order 1970

Laid before Parliament in draft

Made - - - - *24th March* 1970

At the Court of Saint James, the 24th day of March 1970

Present,

Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother

Her Royal Highness The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon

Lord President

Lord Chalfont

Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster

Mrs Hart

Whereas Her Majesty, in pursuance of the Regency Acts 1937 to 1953, was pleased, by Letters Patent dated the 27th day of February 1970, to delegate to the following Counsellors of State (subject to the exceptions hereinafter mentioned) or any two or more of them, that is to say, His Royal Highness The Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother, His Royal Highness The Prince Charles, Prince of Wales, Her Royal Highness The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, His Royal Highness The Duke of Gloucester and His Royal Highness Prince William of Gloucester, full power and authority during the period of Her Majesty's absence from the United Kingdom to summon and hold on Her Majesty's behalf Her Privy Council and to signify thereat Her Majesty's approval for anything for which Her Majesty's approval in Council is required:

And whereas Her Majesty was further pleased to except from the number of the said Counsellors of State His Royal Highness The Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, His Royal Highness The Prince Charles, Prince of Wales, Her Royal Highness The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, and His Royal Highness Prince William of Gloucester while absent from the United Kingdom:

And whereas a draft of this Order was laid before Parliament in accordance with the provisions of section 1(2) of the Census Act 1920**(a)** (hereinafter referred to as "the Act of 1920"), and both Houses of Parliament have by resolution approved so much of the Order as prescribes particulars with respect to the matters mentioned in paragraph 6 of the Schedule to the Act of 1920:

(a) 1920 c. 41.

Now, therefore, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother and Her Royal Highness The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, being authorized thereto by the said Letters Patent, and in pursuance of the powers conferred on Her Majesty by section 1(1) of the Act of 1920 and all other powers enabling Her Majesty, do hereby, by and with the advice of Her Majesty's Privy Council, on Her Majesty's behalf order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

Citation

1. This Order may be cited as the Census Order 1970.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires—

"census day" means 25th April 1971;

"census night" means the night of 25th to 26th April 1971;

"dwelling" includes any building or part of any building used as living accommodation and any caravan, houseboat, shed or other place so used;

"prescribed" means prescribed by regulations made under section 3 of the Act of 1920;

"Schedule" means Schedule to this Order.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889**(a)** applies to the interpretation of this Order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Taking of the census

3. A census shall be taken for Great Britain on the 25th April 1971 and for that purpose returns shall be made in accordance with the provisions of this Order with respect to—

(*a*) all persons in Great Britain; and

(*b*) all other persons (being persons usually resident in Great Britain) to whom paragraph (*c*) of column (2) of Group I or column (2) of Group V of Schedule 1 refers;

who are alive at midnight ending that day.

Persons with respect to whom the returns are to be made

4. The return with respect to any person to whom article 3 applies shall be made in accordance with the provisions of this Order relating to that one of the Groups set out in Schedule 1 in which that person is included and shall be so made in the prescribed form.

Persons by whom the returns are to be made

5.—(1) The head, or person for the time being acting as the head, of each private household occupying any dwelling or part of a dwelling to which column (1) of Group I in Schedule 1 applies shall make a return with respect to every person specified in column (2) of that Group:

Provided that any person with respect to whom a return falls to be made in accordance with this paragraph and who is himself capable of completing the form of return shall, if he claims in the prescribed manner to make a personal return and satisfies the prescribed conditions, make a return with respect to himself and in that case no return shall be made with respect to him by the person who would otherwise be required by this paragraph to make such a return.

(a) 1889 c. 63.

(2) Subject to the provisions of paragraph (3) of this article every person specified in column (2) of Groups II, III, IV, V and VI in Schedule 1 shall make a return with respect to himself:

Provided that where any such person is, for any reason, incapable of completing the form of return—

(*a*) if the person is included in column (2) of Group II, the manager or other person in charge of the hotel, boarding house or common or other lodging house shall make a return with respect to that person or may arrange for the return to be made by any relative or other person accompanying him;

(*b*) if he is a person included in column (2) of Group III, the form with respect to that person shall be completed by the chief resident officer or other person for the time being in charge of the premises;

(*c*) if he is a person included in column (2) of Group IV, the form shall be completed with respect to him by a person appointed for the purpose;

(*d*) if he is a person included in column (2) of Group V, the form shall be completed with respect to him by the captain or master or other person for the time being in charge of the vessel.

(3) In the case of any premises or vessel mentioned in Groups II, III, or V in Schedule 1, the manager, chief resident officer or other person for the time being in charge of the premises or the captain, master or other person for the time being in charge of the vessel, and in the case of any premises or vessel mentioned in Group IV in Schedule 1 a person appointed for the purpose, shall enter on every return made under paragraph (2) of this article by or with respect to any person in the premises or vessel the address of the premises or name of the vessel and shall also make a return in the prescribed form in relation to the premises or vessel, and shall state in the last mentioned return the particulars contained in article 6(3) of this Order.

Particulars to be stated in the returns

6.—(1) The returns referred to in articles 5(1) and 5(2) of this Order shall state with respect to each person the particulars specified in items 1-14 in Schedule 2:

Provided that—

(*a*) in the case of any person to whom paragraph (*c*) of column (2) of Group I in Schedule 1 refers, the return shall state only the particulars specified in items 1 to 5, 14(*a*)(i) to (iii) and 14(*b*) in Schedule 2;

(*b*) in the case of any person who belongs to a naval, military or air force, the return shall not state the particulars specified in items 14(*a*)(i) to (v), 14(*a*)(viii) and 14(*b*) in Schedule 2 but shall state the service and branch or arm of service to which he belongs and his rank or rating.

(2) The returns made under article 5(1) by heads, or persons for the time being acting as heads, of private households shall state also the particulars specified in items 15-19 in Schedule 2.

(3) The following particulars shall be stated in a return made in accordance with article 5(3) of this Order in relation to any premises or vessel:—

(*a*) in the case of any premises mentioned in column (1) of Group II in Schedule 1, the names of all persons specified in column (2) of that Group, the nature of the premises and the number of rooms in the premises;

(*b*) in the case of any premises mentioned in column (1) of Groups III or IV in Schedule 1 the names of all persons specified in column (2) of those Groups and the nature of the premises;

(*c*) in the case of any vessel mentioned in column (1) of Group IV in Schedule 1, the names of all persons specified in column (2) of that Group, the name of the vessel and its position at midnight ending census day and, if at sea, the name of the port for which it was then bound;

(*d*) in the case of any vessel mentioned in column (1) of Group V in Schedule 1, the names of all persons specified in column (2) of that Group and the position of the vessel at midnight ending census day or particulars of any voyage on which it was then engaged.

(4) In the case of persons with respect to whom returns are to be made in Scotland the returns shall state the additional particulars specified in items 20, 21 and 22 in Schedule 2.

(5) In the case of persons with respect to whom returns are to be made in Wales (including Monmouthshire), the returns shall state the additional particulars specified in items 23, 24 and 25 in Schedule 2.

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SCHEDULE 1

(1) Premises, vessel or other place	(2) Persons
GROUP I	
Any dwelling or part of a dwelling occupied by a private household (whether consisting of one or more persons).	(*a*) Every person spending census night in the dwelling or the part of the dwelling whether as a member of the household, guest, paying guest or boarder or as an employee of any such person; (*b*) every person who arrives at the dwelling or the part of the dwelling at any time after midnight ending census day but before the returns with respect to the persons in the dwelling are collected, and who has not been included as present in any other return; (*c*) every person, not being a person to whom paragraph (*a*) or (*b*) above refers, who is usually resident in the dwelling or the part of the dwelling but who does not spend census night there.
GROUP II	
Any hotel, boarding-house or common or other lodging house.	Every person spending census night in the premises, and any other person who arrives at the premises after midnight ending census day but before the returns with respect to the persons in the premises are collected, and who has not been included as present in any other return.
GROUP III	
Any hospital, nursing home, religious or charitable community, residential school or college, civil prison, lock-up or other place of detention or other residential establishment whatsoever, not being an establishment mentioned elsewhere in this Schedule.	Every person spending census night in the premises, and any other person who arrives at the premises after midnight ending census day but before the returns with respect to the persons in the premises are collected, and who has not been included as present in any other return.
GROUP IV	
Any vessel, barracks, station or other premises under naval, military or air force discipline or any vessel or premises in respect of which the Registrar General, or in the case of such vessel or premises in Scotland the Registrar General for Scotland, is satisfied that on grounds of security special arrangements ought to be made.	Every person spending census night in the vessel or premises, and any other person who arrives at the vessel or premises after midnight ending census day but before the returns with respect to the persons in the vessel or premises are collected, and who has not been included as present in any other return.

(1) Premises, vessel or other place	(2) Persons
GROUP V	
(*a*) Any other vessel in any inland waters or engaged in any coastwise or fishing voyage or lying moored or anchored in any place, or (*b*) any British vessel voyaging between Great Britain and Northern Ireland or the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands.	Every person spending census night in any such vessel, and any other person who arrives at the vessel after midnight ending census day but before the returns with respect to the persons in the vessel are collected, and who has not been included as present in any other return.
GROUP VI	
Any other place not included in the above groups.	Every person spending census night in any such place.

SCHEDULE 2

PARTICULARS TO BE STATED IN RETURNS

1. Full name.
2. Relation to head of household or position in establishment.
3. Sex.
4. Date of birth.
5. Whether single, married, widowed or divorced and not re-married.
6. Country of birth.
7. In respect of any person not born in the United Kingdom—the year of first entry into the United Kingdom.
8. Country of birth of father and of mother.
9. Usual residence.
10. In respect of any person whose usual residence:
    (*a*) on 25th April 1970 was not the same as on census day, the usual residence on 25th April 1970; and
    (*b*) on 25th April 1966 was not the same as on 25th April 1970, the usual residence on 25th April 1966.
11. In respect of each married woman, or woman who has been married, aged under 60 years—
    (*a*) the number of children born alive to her in marriage and the month and the year of birth of each such child;
    (*b*) the month and year of her first or only marriage;
    (*c*) if that marriage has been terminated, the month and year of termination.
12. In respect of any person aged 15 years or over—
    (*a*) whether in the following term he will be a student attending full-time at an educational establishment;
    (*b*) whether he has obtained a General Certificate of Education at Advanced Level or Higher School Certificate or a Scottish Certificate of Education at the Higher Grade or a Scottish Leaving Certificate at the Higher Grade or an Ordinary National Certificate or an Ordinary National Diploma.
13. In respect of any person aged 18 years or over, the academic, professional or vocational qualifications obtained after attaining that age, the subject or group of subjects in which those qualifications were obtained and the names of the institutions which awarded them.
14. In respect of any person aged 15 years or over—
    (*a*) whether in employment at any time during the week preceding census day and if so, stating in respect of the main employment in that week—
        (i) whether that employment was as an employee or, if self-employed, whether or not employing others;
        (ii) name and nature of business of employer;
        (iii) occupation and the kind of work done;
        (iv) whether engaged as an apprentice, articled pupil or trainee;
        (v) the number of hours normally worked by that person in that employment in one week excluding overtime and meal breaks;
        (vi) the address of the place of work;
        (vii) the main means of transport, if any, used for the journey to work;
        (viii) whether the occupation was the same as that one year before census day, and if not, stating the occupation at that time.
    (*b*) if not in employment during the week preceding census day—
        (i) particulars of the last employment, if any, as specified in sub-paragraph (i), (ii), and (iii) of paragraph (*a*) of this item;
        (ii) the reason for not being in employment during the week.

15. Whether the living accommodation to which the return relates is owned by any person usually resident therein and, if not, whether it is—
    (i) rented from a local authority or New Town Development Corporation or the Commission for the New Towns or the Scottish Special Housing Association;
    (ii) rented from any other person or body, and, if so, whether rented furnished or unfurnished; or
    (iii) otherwise occupied, and if so, stating the terms on which it is occupied.
16. Number of rooms occupied by the persons in the private household to which the return relates.
17. Whether the persons in the private household to which the return relates share with persons not in the household any hall, passage, landing or staircase for access or otherwise and any room or rooms, stating the number of such rooms.
18. Whether the persons in the private household occupying the dwelling or the part of a dwelling to which the return relates have exclusive use or shared use of a water closet with entrance inside or outside the dwelling, a fixed bath or shower, a piped hot water supply, a kitchen sink and a cooking stove.
19. The number of motor cars and vans normally available for use by members of the private household.

ADDITIONAL PARTICULARS TO BE STATED IN RETURNS MADE IN SCOTLAND

20. Whether speaking Gaelic and not English or speaking both Gaelic and English.
21. Whether reading Gaelic.
22. Whether writing Gaelic.

ADDITIONAL PARTICULARS TO BE STATED IN RETURNS MADE IN WALES (INCLUDING MONMOUTHSHIRE)

23. Whether speaking Welsh and not English or speaking both Welsh and English.
24. Whether reading Welsh.
25. Whether writing Welsh.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

The Order provides for the taking of a census of the population of Great Britain on 25th April 1971. The Order specifies the persons by whom and with respect to whom the census returns are to be made and sets out the particulars to be stated in the returns.

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