

Births, Deaths, Missing Persons

Background

The Civil Aviation (Births, Deaths and Missing Persons) Regulations 1948¹ place requirements on the pilot in command and owner of aircraft to report births deaths and missing persons on Isle of Man registered aircraft. The Isle of Man Aircraft Registry is required to maintain records of such events.

The Civil Aviation Act 1982 specifies: the responsibilities of the Isle of Man Chief Registrar to maintain an Air Register Book of Births and Deaths; and the penalties for persons who fail to comply with the requirement to register births, deaths and missing persons.

Actions Required by Person in Command and the Aircraft Owner

The pilot in command of the aircraft, in the event of:

- a birth on-board an Isle of Man registered aircraft in any part of the world;
- a death on-board an Isle of Man registered aircraft in any part of the world, that is not in consequence of an aircraft accident;
- a death of a traveller on the aircraft who is killed on the journey as a consequence of an aircraft accident whilst outside the Isle of Man; or
- a person going missing when there are reasonable grounds for believing that they have died as a consequence of an accident to an aircraft registered in the Isle of Man;

must record the particulars of the birth or death in the journey log and make the record available to the owner as soon as practicable.

The aircraft owner must then as soon as practicable but not later than six months after the occurrence, complete the relevant form at Appendices A, B, or C, providing as much detail as is reasonably possible to be ascertained regarding the circumstances, and return it to the Isle of Man Aircraft Registry.

Notes:

1. The activities of the aircraft owner may be delegated to the aircraft operator but the aircraft owner remains accountable for the completion of the activities required by the legislation.
2. Where the aircraft has been leased, let, or hired out (in accordance with the Air Navigation (Isle of Man) Order restrictions on commercial air transport operations) for a period exceeding fourteen days and no pilot, commander, navigator, or operative member of the crew of the aircraft is in the employment of the owner, reference above to the owner shall be taken as being the person to whom the aircraft has been leased, let or hired out.

Actions by Isle of Man Aircraft Registry

On receipt of notification of a birth, death, or missing person, the Isle of Man Aircraft Registry will record the event and within seven days of recording it send a certified copy of the register entry to the appropriate Registrar-General.

¹ as amended by SI 1972/323 and as applied to the Isle of Man

Appendix A

BIRTH OCCURRING IN AN AIRCRAFT REGISTERED IN THE ISLE OF MAN

This form when completed should be returned by email or post to the Isle of Man Aircraft Registry,

1. Registration Marking of Aircraft:
2. Date of Birth (a):
3. Place of Birth (b):
4. Name (c):
5. Sex (d):
6. Name, surname, maiden surname, usual residence and nationality of father (e):
7. Name, surname, maiden surname, usual residence and nationality of mother (f):
8. Date and place of marriage of parents:
9. Profession or Occupation of father; and rank or title (if any) (e):
- 10: Name, description, and home address of informant (If any) (g):
- 11: Signature of informant(s):
12. Signature and rank of person completing the return:
13. Date:

NOTES:

- (a) Day and month in words, year in figures.
- (b) Approximate position, e.g. '40 miles west of Lisbon', 'over Dieppe', 'over Northern France'.
- (c) Full forenames of child.
- (d) 'Boy' or 'Girl' as the case may be.
- (e) Forenames in full and followed by surname; surnames to be written in BLOCK LETTERS. If the child is illegitimate ((see (8) over) the particulars relating to the father must not be recorded in the return unless at the joint request of the mother and of the person acknowledging himself to be the father of the child, in which case such person shall, as well as the mother, sign a completed form of return and informant.
- (f) Forenames in full and married surname followed by the words 'formally' and the maiden surname.
- (g) Except in the circumstances mentioned at (e) above, only one person (usually the mother or father) should act as informant. The informant's full names, relationship (if any) to the child, and full postal address should be stated.



Appendix B

NOTICE OF DEATH IN AN AIRCRAFT REGISTERED IN THE ISLE OF MAN

This form when completed should be returned by email or post to the Isle of Man Aircraft Registry,

1. Registration Marking of Aircraft:
2. Date of Death (a):
3. Place of Death (b):
4. Name and Surname (c):
5. Sex (d):
6. Age (e):

7. Usual residence at Time of Death (f):

8. Profession or Occupation;
and rank or title (if any) (g):
9. Nationality:
10. Cause of Death:

- 11: Name, Description and Home Address
of Informant (h):

- 12: Signature of informant:

13. Signature and rank of person completing
the return:

NOTES:

- (a) Day and month in words, year in figures.
- (b) Approximate position, e.g. '40 miles west of Lisbon', 'over Dieppe', 'over Northern France'.
- (c) Forenames in full and followed by surname; surnames to be written in BLOCK LETTERS.
- (d) 'Male' or 'Female' as the case may be.
- (e) To be recorded in complete years, or in months and days.
- (f) The full postal address should be stated.
- (g) Women and children:

In the case of a married woman or widow, the words 'wife of' or 'widow of' shall be entered, followed by the name, profession or occupation, rank and title, and nationality of husband.

In the case of an unmarried woman, there shall be inserted the word 'spinster', followed by her profession or occupation (if any), rank or title (if any).

In the case of children under the age of 16 years, the words 'son of' or 'daughter of' shall be followed by the name, profession, etc of the father.

- (h) The informer's full names, relationship (if any) to the deceased, and full postal address should be stated.

Appendix C

PERSON MISSING AND BELIEVED TO HAVE DIED IN CONSEQUENCE OF AN ACCIDENT TO AN AIRCRAFT REGISTERED IN THE ISLE OF MAN

This form when completed should be returned by email or post to the Isle of Man Aircraft Registry,

1. Registration Marking of Aircraft:
2. Date of Accident (a):
3. Place of Accident (b):
4. Name and Surname of Missing Person (c):
5. Sex (d):
6. Age (e):

7. Profession or Occupation;
and rank or title (if any) and nationality (g):

- 9: Grounds for presumption of death:

10. Name, Description and Home Address
of Informant (if any) (h):

- 12: Signature of informant:

13. Signature and rank of person completing
the return:

NOTES:

- (a) Day and month in words, year in figures.
- (b) Actual position if known. Otherwise approximate position, e.g. '40 miles west of Lisbon', 'over Dieppe', 'over Northern France'.
- (c) Forenames in full and followed by surname; surnames to be written in BLOCK LETTERS.
- (d) The full postal address should be stated.
- (e) 'Male' or 'Female' as the case may be.
- (f) To be recorded in complete years, or in months and days.
- (g) Women and children:

In the case of a married woman or widow, the words 'wife of' or 'widow of' shall be entered, followed by the name, profession or occupation, rank and title, and nationality of husband.

In the case of an unmarried woman, there shall be inserted the word 'spinster', followed by her profession or occupation (if any), rank or title (if any).

In the case of children under the age of 16 years, the words 'son of' or 'daughter of' shall be followed by the name, profession, etc of the father.

- (h) The informer's full names, relationship (if any) to the deceased, and full postal address should be stated.