



NATIONAL CIVIL REGISTRATION AUTHORITY (NCRA)  
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## PRESS RELEASE

### Registration of Births, Deaths and other Vital Events of Citizens and Non-Citizens Resident in Sierra Leone

The National Civil Registration Authority (NCRA) wishes to inform the general public that, pursuant to its mandate as stated in Section 14 of the National Civil Registration Act of 2016, it will continue its operation of registering Births, Deaths, Causes of Deaths, Adoptions, Marriages, Divorces and Nullities throughout Sierra Leone and to also provide for other related matters.

The hours of operation are from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Monday to Friday.

The Authority is therefore asking all members of the public (citizens and non-citizens resident in Sierra Leone) to register their births and deaths events at all Government, Private Health Centers, Mission Health Facilities including at all NCRA Offices across the country. The registration of the other vital events, such as; adoptions, marriages, divorces and nullities can be done at the NCRA Head Office in Freetown.

The Authority further wishes to inform the general public that, registration of births and deaths occurring from 0 (zero) to 90 (ninety) days is **free**. However, the registration of births and deaths occurring beyond ninety (90) days will cost **Le. 10, 000.00 (Ten Thousand Leones) and Le. 30, 000.00 (Thirty Thousand Leones)** for Delayed and Certified True Copy of Births and Deaths Certificates, **payable to the National Revenue Authority (NRA)**.

In compliance with the COVID-19 pandemic prevention measures put forward by the Government of Sierra Leone, the Directorate of Births and Deaths, within the NCRA is currently handling reasonable number of cases per day at its Offices in order to avoid crowding, clustering of people and to maintain social distancing within the limited facilities provided by the Authority.

The general public is also reminded that, the Civil Registration process is permanent, continuous, compulsory, universal and confidential. Civil Registration process will record all life events of citizens and non-citizens resident in Sierra Leone. These events include, Live Births, Still Births, Deaths, Causes of Deaths, Adoptions, Marriages, Divorces, Nullities and Legitimization. The recording of these life events in an automated Permanent Civil Register provides a source of real time credible data on all vital events occurring within the boundaries of Sierra Leone to enhance public administration and good governance.

The Authority wishes to reassure the general public of its continued resolve to conduct and provide credible data on Civil Registration, Vital Statistics and Legal Identity services at all NCRA Regional and District Offices in Sierra Leone.

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