



# **Births, Deaths, Marriages, and Relationships Registration Amendment Act (No 2) 2013**

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Commencement see section 2

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### **The Parliament of New Zealand enacts as follows:**

- 1 Title**  
This Act is the Births, Deaths, Marriages, and Relationships Registration Amendment Act (No 2) 2013.
- 2 Commencement**  
This Act comes into force on the day after the date on which it receives the Royal assent.
- 3 Principal Act**  
This Act amends the Births, Deaths, Marriages, and Relationships Registration Act 1995 (the **principal Act**).

**4 Section 89A amended (Electronic transactions)**

After section 89A(2), insert:

- “(2A) A requirement for a court or its Registrar to give notice (in the case of section 23), or to send a certificate (in the case of section 59, 60, 62E, or 62F), to the Registrar-General is satisfied by the Ministry of Justice providing the Registrar-General with the required information by electronic means.
- “(2B) To avoid doubt,—
- “(a) the Ministry of Justice satisfies the requirements of subsection (2A) by providing the information required in the notice or certificate (as the case may be), and is not required to provide the actual notice or certificate (whether by electronic means or otherwise):
  - “(b) the obligation for a court or its Registrar to give the notice or certificate referred to in subsection (2A) ceases only when the Ministry of Justice has provided the information in accordance with that subsection.”

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**Legislative history**

19 November 2013	Divided from Statutes Amendment Bill (Bill 89–2) by committee of the whole House, third reading
4 December 2013	Royal assent

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This Act is administered by the Department of Internal Affairs.

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