

12. Any person who assaults, resists or wilfully obstructs or aids or incites any person to assault, resist or wilfully obstruct any Special Constable in the execution of his duty shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable to imprisonment for two years.

Penalty for assaulting or resisting Special Constables.

* 13. The Governor may issue directions with regard to,
(a) the qualifications for membership and manner of enrolment of Special Constables ;

Power to Governor to issue directions.

(b) the issue and custody of arms, ammunitions and equipment ;

(c) the wearing of badges and armlets ;

(d) the manner in which the Special Constabulary is to be organized ;

(e) generally for the better carrying out of this Law.

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No. 14 OF 1932.

TO REGULATE THE PRACTICE OF MIDWIFERY.

A.D. 1932.

RONALD STORRS.]

[23rd February, 1932.

14 of 1932.

BE it enacted :—

1. This Law may be cited as the Midwifery Law, 1932. Short title.

2. In this Law :—

“Medical Assessors” means the Medical Assessors constituted under the provisions of the Medical Registration Law, 1917.

Interpretation.

“Registrar” means the person appointed by the Governor by notice published in the *Cyprus Gazette* to be the Registrar under this Law.

3.—(1) No person shall practise midwifery who is not
(a) registered as a midwife in the manner hereinafter provided ;

Who may practise midwifery.

(b) specially licensed as a midwife in the manner hereinafter provided ; or

(c) entitled to practise midwifery under the Medical Registration Law, 1917.

* Section substituted by Law 13 of 1932.

Penalty.

(2) Any person who shall practise midwifery contrary to the provisions of sub-section (1) hereof shall be guilty of an offence and shall on summary conviction be liable to imprisonment not exceeding three months or to a fine not exceeding ten pounds or to both.

Registrar to keep register.

4. The Registrar shall keep a register (in this Law called "the register") of all persons who are entitled to be registered as midwives under the provisions of this Law and shall desire to have their names placed upon the register.

Who may be registered as a midwife.

5. Any person who produces to the Registrar:—

(a) a certificate of competency to practise midwifery signed by the Director of Health; or

(b) a certificate granted by the Central Midwives Board in London or by any body or institution approved by the Governor in Council,

shall be entitled to be registered under this Law as a midwife and to receive from the Registrar a certificate of such registration (hereinafter called "the certificate of registration").

Who may be specially licensed as a midwife.

6. Notwithstanding anything in this Law contained the Registrar shall issue a special licence (hereinafter called the "special licence") to any person who at the date of the commencement of this Law is *bona fide* engaged in midwifery and who:—

(a) satisfies the Director of Health that she has been so engaged for three years immediately before the commencement of this Law; and

(b) applies to the Director of Health within twelve months of the commencement of this Law,

and the Registrar shall keep, publish and revise a list of such persons so specially licensed in the same manner as the register.

Appeals.

7. Any person aggrieved by,

(a) the refusal of the Registrar to register any person as midwife, or

(b) the refusal of the Registrar to issue a special license to any person as midwife, or

(c) the cancellation or the erasure by the Registrar of any entry in the register under the provisions of sections 9 and 11 of this Law,

may appeal to the Board of Assessors whose decision thereon shall be final and conclusive.

8. The Director of Health together with such Medical Practitioners and registered midwives as may from time to time be appointed by the Governor shall constitute a Board to examine candidates for certificates of competency and to grant certificates to those who satisfy them that they are competent to practise as midwives. Such certificates shall be signed by the Director of Health.

Board of
Examiners.

9.—(1) The Registrar shall from time to time make such alterations as may be necessary with regard to addresses or qualifications of the persons registered under this Law, and shall cancel in the register the names of all persons so registered who have died or ceased to be qualified.

Keeping
register up
to date.

(2) Whenever any person registered under this Law changes her address she shall forthwith notify her new address to the Registrar.

(3) The Registrar may write a letter to any registered person, addressed to her at the address as given in the register, to inquire whether she has changed her residence, and if he does not receive an answer to such letter within six months of the sending thereof he may erase from the register the name of such person provided always that the same may be restored at the request of such person.

10.—(1) A copy of the register shall be published by the Registrar in the *Cyprus Gazette* as soon after the commencement of this Law as may be convenient and thereafter a copy of the register, as it stands at such times, shall be published by the Registrar in the month of January in each year.

Publication
of copy of
the register.

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(2) Any copy of the *Cyprus Gazette* for the year in which the list is last published shall be *prima facie* evidence in all legal proceedings that the persons therein named are midwives:

Provided always that in the case of any midwife who has been registered but whose name does not appear in the list last published as aforesaid, a certificate under the hand of the Registrar shall be evidence that such person is a midwife and the Registrar shall on application for such certificate grant the same.

11. Any entry in the register which is proved to the satisfaction of the Registrar to have been fraudulently or incorrectly made may be erased from the register, provided that a record of the reason for every such erasure is inserted in the register and signed by the Registrar.

Fraudulent
or incorrect
entries.

Enquiry by the Governor.

12. It shall be the duty of every Medical Officer in the service of the Government to bring to the notice of the Governor through the Registrar that any person registered or practising midwifery by special licence under the provisions of this Law has become incapable, or is from negligence, age or any other cause unfit to perform the functions of a midwife; and the Governor may, after such inquiry as to him may seem fit, cause the certificate of registration or the special licence of such person to be cancelled and her name to be removed from the register or from the list kept under the provisions of section 6 of this Law.

Power to Governor in Council to make regulations.

13.—(1) The Governor in Council may by Order make regulations to be published in the *Cyprus Gazette* as to,

(a) the holding of examinations for the grant of certificates of competency in midwifery and the subjects to be prescribed for such examinations;

(b) the personal hygiene of midwives;

(c) the care of women by midwives during pregnancy, parturition and in the puerperium;

(d) the management of infants by midwives;

(e) penalties not exceeding five pounds for the breach of any regulation; and

(f) any other matter with respect to which it is necessary to make provision for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of this Law.

(2) In addition to any penalty for the breach of any regulation by any midwife the Court may order that:—

(a) the midwife be suspended from practice for a period not exceeding three months, or

(b) the certificate of registration or the special licence be forfeited.

Fees.

14. The fees in the Schedule to this Law shall be charged and paid in respect of the several matters specified therein: Provided that the Governor in Council may by Order vary such fees.

Date of coming into operation.

15. This Law shall come into operation upon a date to be fixed by notice by the Governor in the *Cyprus Gazette*.

SCHEDULE.

FEEs.

<i>Matters in respect of which fees are to be paid.</i>	<i>Fee.</i>
1. For the issue of a special licence	1s.
2. For the grant of a certificate of competency	10s.
3. For the grant of a certificate under section 10 of this Law	1s.

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