

## Registration Act, 1908

### Section 52 - Duties of Registering Officers when Document Presented

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(1) (a) The day, hour and place of presentation, 1[the photographs and finger prints affixed under section 32A,] and the signature of every person presenting a document for registration, shall be endorsed on every such document at the time of presenting it;

(b) a receipt for such document shall be given by the registering officer to the person presenting the same; and

(c) subject to the, provisions contained in section 62, every document admitted to registration shall without unnecessary delay be copied in the book appropriated therefor according to the order of its admission.

(2) All such books shall be authenticated at such intervals and in such manner as is from time to time prescribed by the Inspector-General.

#### STATE AMENDMENTS

##### 2Bihar:

In section 52,--

(i) in clause (a), after the words "every such documents" the words "along with duplicate copy thereof" shall be inserted.

(ii) for clause (c), the following shall be substituted:--

"(c) subject to the provisions contained in section 62, every duplicate copy shall, without unnecessary delay, be verified from the document admitted for registration and be placed in proper book for being bound separately in the appropriate book for the document admitted to registration or according to the order of admission."

##### 3Delhi:

Same as in Punjab.

##### 4Goa:

Section 52(1)(c) be substituted as under:

"(c) subject to the provisions contained in section 62, where a document is admitted to registration, a true copy thereof shall, without unnecessary delay, be filed in the appropriate book according to the order of its admission.

##### 5Himachal Pradesh:

Same as in Punjab

##### 6Karnataka:

Amendments to section 52 are the same as in Kerala.

7Kerala:

For clause (c) of sub-section (1), substitute the following namely:--

"(c) subject to provisions contained in section 62, where a document is admitted to registration, a true copy thereof shall, without unnecessary delay, be filed in the appropriate book according to the order of its admission."

Maharashtra and Gujarat:

For modification of section 52(1)(c), see sub-section (3) of section 70D in Part XIA inserted in the main Act by the Indian Registration (Bombay Amendment) Act, 1930 (17 of 1930) (w.e.f. 4-9-1930) and Act 11 of 1960, section 87.

8Orissa:

Amendments are same as in Kerala.

9Pondicherry:

(a) In section 52, in sub-section (1),--

(i) in clause (a), word "and" shall be added at the end; and

(ii) the word "and" at the end of clause (b) and clause (c) shall be omitted.

(b) After sub-section (1), insert the following sub-sections, namely:--

"(1A) Subject to the provisions contained in section 62, where any document, not being of the class specified in the rules made under sub-section (3), is admitted to registration, it shall, without unnecessary delay, be copied in the appropriate book according to the order of its admission.

(1B) Subject to the provisions contained in section 62 and the rules made under sub-sections (3) and (4) and under section 89A, where any document of the class specified in the rules made under sub-section (3) is admitted to registration a true copy thereof shall, without unnecessary delay, be filed in the appropriate book according to the order of its admission."

(c) After sub-section (2), add the following sub-sections, namely:--

"(3) The State Government may, from time to time, specify by rules the classes of documents in respect of which true copies shall be filed in the appropriate book under sub-section (1B).

(4) The true copy referred to in sub-section (1B) shall be neatly handwritten, printed, typewritten, lithographed or otherwise prepared in accordance with such rules as may be made in this behalf, and where such copy is handwritten, it shall be prepared by a scribe who shall be licensed for this purpose by the State Government on payment of such fees as may be prescribed.

(5) The provisions of this Act shall, in their application to the classes of documents specified in the rules under sub-section (3), have effect, subject to the modifications set out in the Schedule."

10Punjab, Haryana and Chandigarh:

For clause (c) of sub-section (1) of section 52, substitute the following, namely:--

"(c) Subject to the provisions contained in section 62, a copy of every document admitted to registration shall, without unnecessary delay, be pasted in the book appropriated therefor according to the order of admission of the document."

11Rajasthan:

In section 52(1) substitute clause (c) as under:

"(c) Subject to the provisions contained in section 62, a true or photostat copy of every document admitted to registration shall, without unnecessary delay, be pasted in the book appropriated therefor according to the order of its admission."

12Tamil Nadu:

Same as in Pondicherry.

13Tripura:

In section 52(1), clause (c) be substituted as under:

"(c) subject to the provisions contained in section 62 the true copy, referred to in section 18A of every document admitted to registration shall, without unnecessary delay, be pasted in the book appropriated therefor according to the order of its admission."

Uttar Pradesh:

In section 52(1)(c) an Explanation was inserted by Uttar Pradesh Act 14 of 1971, section 3 (w.e.f. 25-5-1971). The Explanation is now omitted by Uttar Pradesh Act 19 of 1981, section 11 (w.r.e.f. 1-8-1981).

14West Bengal:

In section 52(1),--

(i) in clause (a) add the word "and" at the end,

(ii) omit the word "and" in clause (b), and omit clause (c),

(iii) after sub-section (1), insert as under--

"(1A) Subject to the provisions contained in section 62, where any document, not being of the class specified in the rules made under sub-section (3), is admitted to registration, it shall, without unnecessary delay, be copied in the appropriate book according to the order of its admission.

(1B) Subject to the provisions contained in section 62 and in the rules made under sub-sections (3) and (4) and under section 89A, where any document of the class specified in the rules made under sub-section (3) is admitted to registration, a true copy thereof shall, without unnecessary delay, be filed in the appropriate book according to the order of its admission."

(iv) after sub-section (2), add as under:--

"(3) The State Government may, from time to time, specify by rules the classes of documents, in respect of which true copies shall be filed in the appropriate book under sub-section (1B).

(4) The true copy referred to in sub-section (1B), shall be neatly handwritten, printed, typewritten, lithographed or otherwise prepared in accordance with such rules as may be made in this behalf.

(5) The provisions of this Act shall, in their application to the classes of documents specified in the rules made under sub-section (3), have effect subject to the modifications set out in the Schedule."

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1. Inserted by Act 48 of 2001, section 7 (w.e.f. 24-9-2001).
2. Vide Bihar Ordinance 7 of 1997, section 3 (w.e.f. 11-8-1997).
3. Vide G.S.R. 465 of 1965, Gazette of India, 1965, Pt. II, section 3(i), p. 499 (w.e.f. 1-11-1966).
4. Vide Goa Act 24 of 1985, section 6 (w.e.f. 5-12-1985).
5. Vide Himachal Pradesh Act 2 of 1969, section 5 (w.e.f. 1-4-1969).
6. Vide Karnataka Act 55 of 1976, section 7 (w.e.f. 24-10-1976).
7. Vide Kerala Act 7 of 1968, section 8 (w.e.f. 22-2-1968).
8. Vide Orissa Act 14 of 1989, section 7 (w.e.f. 19-9-1989).
9. Vide Pondicherry Act 17 of 1970, section 4 (w.e.f. 1-11-1970).
10. Vide Punjab Act 19 of 1961, section 4 (w.e.f. 4-5-1961): Act 31 of 1966, section 89 (w.e.f. 1-11-1966).
11. Vide Rajasthan Act 11 of 1982, section 5 (w.e.f. 16-7-1982).
12. Vide Tamil Nadu Act 21 of 1966, section 2 (w.e.f. 1-4-1967).
13. Vide Tripura Act 7 of 1982, section 7 (w.e.f. 1-1-1983).
14. Vide West Bengal Act 17 of 1978, section 3 (w.e.f. 1-1-1983).