

Island of  Guernsey

Ordinance of the States **XXX**
1955

Made 30th November, 1955
Coming into Operation .. . 1st January, 1956

**The Midwives (Amendment) Ordinance,
1955.**

THE STATES, in pursuance of their Resolution of the 14th day of September, 1955, hereby order:—

1. The Midwives Ordinance, 1950 (hereinafter referred to as “the principal Ordinance”) is hereby amended as follows:—

(a) subsection (3) of section nine thereof is hereby repealed and the following subsection substituted therefor—

“(3) If a medical practitioner whose assistance is called in under the provisions of subsection (1) of this section deems it necessary to secure the aid of a further medical practitioner then, if such aid is given and the condition contained in paragraph (c) of the last foregoing subsection is

complied with, the Board shall pay to the first mentioned medical practitioner, upon his certificate that such aid has been rendered, in addition to the fee otherwise payable to him under the provisions of this subsection, a fee calculated in accordance with the provisions of Part II of the Schedule hereto in respect of the medical practitioner giving such aid, save that no such additional fee shall be paid save in respect of aid given by a medical practitioner authorised to practise in this Island.”;

- (b) the Schedule thereto is hereby repealed and the Schedule to this Ordinance substituted therefor.

2. This Ordinance and the principal Ordinance shall be construed as one and may be cited together as the Midwives Ordinances, 1950 and 1955.

3. This Ordinance shall come into force on the 1st day of January, 1956.

SCHEDULE

“PART I

Scale of Fees for a Medical Practitioner called in by a Midwife

(i) Subject to the provisions of the succeeding provisions of this Part of this Schedule, fee for all attendances of a medical practitioner during the period from the commencement of labour until the child is born, including subsequent visits to mother or child during the first fourteen days inclusive of the

day of birth, and including also a post-natal examination in or about the sixth week after the birth, except where owing to circumstances beyond his control the practitioner cannot undertake such examination, £4 14s. 6d.

(ii) Fee for any one of the following, namely, external version in labour, removal of adherent or retained placenta, exploration of the uterus, treatment of post-partum haemorrhage or any operative emergency, other than one specified in this Part of this Schedule, arising directly from parturition, including subsequent visits during the first fourteen days inclusive of the day of birth, and including also a post-natal examination in or about the sixth week after the birth, except where owing to circumstances beyond his control the practitioner cannot undertake such examination, £4 14s. 6d.; save that a fee shall not be payable under this paragraph when a fee under paragraph (i) hereof is payable.

(iii) Fee for two or more of the services specified in the last preceding paragraph, £7 7s. od.; save that a fee shall not be payable under paragraph (i) hereof when a fee under this paragraph is payable.

(iv) Fee for a single attendance only, either during the period from the commencement of labour until the child is born or for any of the purposes mentioned in paragraph (ii) hereof, £2 12s. 6d.; save that a fee shall not be payable under this paragraph when a fee under paragraph (i) or paragraph (ii) hereof is payable.

(v) Fee for either of the following, namely (a) suturing the perineum, or (b) resuscitation of baby, £3 3s. od.: provided that where only one attendance is made a fee of £2 12s. 6d. shall be payable in lieu of the said fee of £3 3s. od.; save that a

fee shall not be payable under this paragraph when a fee under paragraphs (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) hereof is payable.

(vi) Fee for induction, other than surgical, of labour whether or not more than one visit is involved, £2 12s. 6d.; save that a fee shall not be payable under this paragraph when a fee under paragraphs (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) or (v) hereof is payable.

(vii) Fee for attendance at, or in connection with, an abortion, miscarriage, or a case of threatened abortion or ante-partum haemorrhage after the 28th week of pregnancy, including all visits in respect of such attendance during the fourteen days from and including the first visit, £4 4s. od.; save that where only one attendance is made a fee of £2 12s. 6d. shall be paid in lieu of the said fee of £4 4s. od.

(viii) Fee for either of the following, namely (a) surgical induction of labour, or (b) internal version, £1 11s. 6d.

(ix) Fee for blood transfusion to the mother, £2 2s. od.

(x) Fee for major, other than fourth degree, repairs to the perineum, £3 3s. od.

(xi) Fee for either of the following, namely (a) blood transfusion to the baby (including Rhesus cases) or (b) fourth degree repairs to the perineum, £10 10s. od.

(xii) Fee for making a Caesarean section, £15 15s. od.; save that a fee shall not be payable under paragraph (i) hereof if a fee under this paragraph is payable.

(xiii) Fee for visits to mother or child not included under paragraphs (i) to (xii) both inclusive hereof:—

Day (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)	First visit	12s.	6d.
	Subsequent visit	10s.	6d.
Night (8 p.m. to 9 a.m.)	£1	1s. od.

(xiv) Fee for attendance on mother or child at the medical practitioner's residence or surgery, not being services included under paragraphs (i) to (xii) both inclusive hereof, 5s. od.

(xv) The appropriate fee as prescribed above shall be increased by the amount of any reasonable expenses necessarily incurred by the practitioner in supplying any of the drugs or preparations specified in Part III of this Schedule where such a drug or preparation is essential for the proper treatment of the mother or her child.

PART II

Scale of Fees for an Anaesthetist and a Person called in to assist a Medical Practitioner called in by a Midwife

(i) Fee where the aid of a medical practitioner is secured for the purpose of administering an anaesthetic to the patient, whether on the occurrence of abortion or miscarriage, at parturition otherwise than in the performance of a Caesarean section or subsequently otherwise than in the carrying out of fourth degree repairs to the perineum, £1 15s. od.

(ii) Fee for the aid of a medical practitioner secured for the purpose of administering an anaesthetic to the patient in the performance of a Caesarean section or the carrying out of fourth degree repairs to the perineum, £3 3s. od.

(iii) Fee for the aid of a medical practitioner secured to assist at the performance of a Caesarean section or the carrying out of fourth degree repairs to the perineum, £1 15s. od.

PART III

List of Drugs and Preparations

Carbon Dioxide.
Ergometrine.
Lobeline.
Liver extract and injections of liver.
Methylamphetamine.
Oxygen.
Penicillin preparations.
Pethidine.
Sex hormones.
Sulphonamide preparations.
Vasopressin.
Vitamin B₁ complex.
Vitamin K. ”

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