

Statutory Instrument No. 68 of 1971

THE CENSUS PROCLAMATION (CHAPTER 45)

**THE CENSUS RULES, 1971**

(Published on the 4th June, 1971)

In the exercise of the powers vested in him by section 2 of the Census Proclamation (Chapter 45) His Excellency the President has been pleased to make the following rules —

**1.** These rules may be cited as the Census Rules, 1971, and shall apply to any census taken in terms of the Proclamation in 1971. Citation and Application

**2.** In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires —  
“census officer” includes any enumerator appointed in writing by the Minister. Interpretation

**3.** The duties of census officers shall be — Duties of Census Officers

- (a) to enumerate persons within Botswana on the days appointed by notice in the Gazette under the provisions of section 1 (2) of the Proclamation at such times (excluding the periods between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m.) and at such places as may be expedient;
- (b) to ask such questions of any person so enumerated as may be necessary in order to obtain in respect of such person and, where expedient, in respect of any other person referred to in rule 5, the information referred to in rule 4; and
- (c) to map inhabited areas of Botswana and to include on such maps, *inter alia*, all arable land and cattle post areas.

**4.** The information to be obtained by a census officer in respect of any person shall be the information specified in the First Schedule. Information Required

**5.** Every person questioned by a census officer in any house or dwelling shall, if so required by the census officer — Duties of Persons Enumerated to Give Information Concerning Members of Family etc. Absent

- (a) give to the best of his knowledge and belief the information referred to in rule 4 in respect of any member of the household in such house or dwelling who is absent from Botswana at the time of questioning by such officer; and in addition shall answer to the best of his knowledge and belief the question whether such member has been, or is likely to be, absent for less than one year or has been absent for more than one year; and shall answer to the best of his knowledge and belief the question what industry such member is employed in; and
- (b) give to the best of his knowledge and belief the information referred to in rule 4 in respect of any other person who spent the preceding night at that house or dwelling.

**Persons  
Required to  
Give Infor-  
mation**

**6.** A census officer may require any person over the age of twelve years to give the information required by these rules.

**Schedule  
Prescribed**

**7.** A schedule in the form of the Second Schedule to these rules is prescribed for the purposes of section 5 and, in so far as it is applicable, for the purposes of sections 6 and 8 of the Proclamation.

**Penalty**

**8.** Any person who, without reasonable cause —  
(a) fails to supply any information required by these rules; or  
(b) gives any information which he knows to be false or does not believe to be true to any census officer acting in the performance of his duty; or  
(c) wilfully obstructs any census officer in the performance of his duty;  
shall be guilty of an offence and liable on conviction to a fine of R20.

**Revocation  
of Govern-  
ment Notice  
120 of 1963**

**9.** The Census Rules, 1963, are revoked.

## **FIRST SCHEDULE**

(rule 4)

Names

Relationship to head of household

Whether resident or visitor

Nationality

Sex

Age

Standard of education

Occupation

Whether self-employed or family worker

Manner or mode of payment if employed

Marital status

Details of live births (in the case of women aged fifteen years or more)

Whether parents are alive

Details of agricultural holdings and activity

Industry

# SECOND SCHEDULE (rule 7)

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STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL

DISTRICT:  E.A.:  HOUSE NO.:

NAME OF VILLAGE OR LOCALITY:

FOR ALL PERSONS										FOR ALL PERSONS AGED 10 AND OVER		FOR ALL WOMEN AGED 15 AND OVER					
NAME	RELATIONSHIP	SEX	AGE	MARITAL STATUS <small>state whether single, married, widowed, divorced or separated</small>	VILLAGE OF ALLEGIANCE OR NATIONALITY <small>for Botswana nationals: state village; for non-Botswana nationals: state country of citizenship</small>	EDUCATION <small>state highest level attained and year of leaving school</small>	IS FATHER ALIVE?	IS MOTHER ALIVE?	WORKED OWN OR FAMILY LANDS OR STOCK SINCE 1st JANUARY?	WORK DONE FOR CASH REWARD SINCE 1st JANUARY 1971		OF THE CHILDREN EVER BORN ALIVE BY THIS WOMAN -			PARTICULARS OF HER MOST RECENT LIVE BIRTH		
										OCCUPATION <small>nature of the person's work</small>	INDUSTRY <small>kind of business</small>	HOW MANY ARE LIVING AT HOME?	HOW MANY ARE LIVING ELSEWHERE?	HOW MANY HAVE DIED?		DATE OF THE BIRTH	IS THE CHILD STILL ALIVE?
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FOR BOTSWANA CITIZENS ONLY: ABSENT MEMBERS OF THE HOUSEHOLD OUTSIDE BOTSWANA

NAME	RELATIONSHIP	SEX	AGE	DURATION OF ABSENCE (over or under 1 year?)	INDUSTRY (miners, farm, other)

COMMENTS:

Date of enumeration:   
Enumerator's signature:

ANSWER "YES" OR "NO"	
DO ANY MEMBERS OF THIS FAMILY MANAGE ANY CATTLE?	
DO ANY MEMBERS OF THIS FAMILY HAVE ANY SHEEP OR GOATS?	
DID THEY PLOUGH IN ANY OF THE LAST 3 YEARS? (1 = 1968/69, 2 = 1969/70, 3 = 1970/71)	
IS THERE A RADIO IN WORKING ORDER IN THE HOUSE?	

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