

# Census Questionnaire

## CENSUS OF POPULATION OF IRELAND, 1991

Form A

STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL



### CENSUS DAY – SUNDAY, 21 APRIL, 1991

PLEASE KEEP THIS FORM CAREFULLY AND COMPLETE IT ON CENSUS DAY.  
THE ENUMERATOR WILL CALL FOR IT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AFTER THAT DATE.

CENTRAL STATISTICS OFFICE

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nGAELIGE NÓ I mBÉARLA. TÁ LEAGAN GAELIGE DEN  
FHOIRM SEO LE FÁIL ACH I A IARRAIDH ÓN AIRITHEOIR.

A SEPARATE FORM SHOULD BE FILLED IN FOR EACH  
HOUSEHOLD. IF ONE FORM IS NOT SUFFICIENT,  
PLEASE ASK FOR ANOTHER.

A Census of Population is being taken on 21 April 1991, under the Statistics Acts 1926 and 1946, and the Statistics (Census of Population) Order, 1991. Census forms are being distributed by the official Census Enumerators who carry evidence of identification which they will show on request.

#### WHO SHOULD COMPLETE THE FORM?

A return of all the particulars asked for on this form must be made by:

- The head, or other adult acting as head, of a private household.  
*Any adult member of a private household, present on Census night, can be returned as the head according as the household members consider appropriate.*  
*Any one person, or group of persons with common housekeeping arrangements, separately occupying all or part of a private house, flat, apartment or other private habitation of any kind is regarded as a private household for Census purposes.*
- The person in charge of a hotel, club, guest house, hostel, boarding house, lodging house, boarding school, college, convent, monastery, barrack, prison, hospital, county home, nursing home or other institution.
- The master or other person in charge of a vessel in waters within the jurisdiction of Ireland at midnight on the night of Sunday, 21 April 1991.

#### WHO SHOULD BE INCLUDED?

Every person who passes the night of Sunday, 21 April 1991, in the household, institution or vessel or who arrives on the morning of Monday, 22 April 1991, not having been enumerated elsewhere, must be included.

Persons staying temporarily are to be included, but persons normally resident in the household, institution or vessel who are absent on the night of Sunday, 21 April 1991, should not be included.

All persons alive at midnight on 21 April 1991 should be included, but babies born after midnight on that date should not be included.

If the household contains more than 8 persons please ask for a sufficient number of forms to cover all the persons in the household.

#### ROLE OF THE CENSUS ENUMERATORS

In order to ensure the complete coverage of this inquiry, each Enumerator must ascertain the identity of every person in his/her enumeration area who should make a return on this form. Any person of whom the Enumerator requests information which is reasonably required for this purpose must comply with such a request.

If the answers on the form are incomplete or apparently inaccurate, the Enumerator has the duty to ask any questions necessary to ensure the correct completion of the form and every person so questioned must give such information as may reasonably be required for that purpose.

#### COLLECTION OF COMPLETED FORMS

This Census form should be completed and ready for collection on the morning of Monday, 22 April 1991. The Enumerator will call for it as soon as possible after Census Day. However, if a family is going on holidays, moving to a new address, or leaving the residence unoccupied for any other reason after Census date and before the Enumerator calls to collect the completed form, the form should be sent by post to "The Director, Central Statistics Office, Census of Population Division, Ardee Road, Dublin 6".

#### THE CENSUS IS OBLIGATORY

A person whose duty it is to make a return or to give information necessary for the completion of a return and who refuses to do so, or who wilfully gives false information, is liable to prosecution.

#### THE INFORMATION PROVIDED IS CONFIDENTIAL

Particulars given on the Census form will be treated as strictly confidential. Names and addresses will not be transferred to the computer used to process the Census. Any person employed on the Census who unlawfully discloses any information provided is liable to prosecution. Similarly any person whose duty it is to make a return and who uses the information provided by another person for a purpose other than making the return, is liable to prosecution.

#### EXPLANATORY NOTES

BEFORE ANSWERING EACH QUESTION, CAREFULLY READ THE EXPLANATORY NOTES ON THE DETACHABLE PAGE AT THE BACK OF THIS FORM. THIS PAGE SHOULD BE DETACHED AND CONSULTED WHEN COMPLETING THE FORM.

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Central Statistics Office, Dublin.

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<b>A</b>	County or County Borough .....
	D.E.D. or Ward .....
	Enumeration Area No. ....
	Townland .....
	Town .....
	Street, etc.; No./Name of House .....
<b>B</b>	Schedule No. .... <input type="text"/> (7-9)

<b>C</b>	Private Household in a Conventional House .....	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
	Private Household in a Flat or Bedsitter .....	<input type="checkbox"/> 2
	Private Household in Caravan, Mobile Home, etc. ....	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
	Non-Private Household* .....	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
		(10)
	*Name, if any .....	

<b>D</b>	Form D Serial No. .... (11-14)
<b>E</b>	Number of Persons in the Household
	Males .....
	(15-18) } Persons .....
	Females .....
	(19-22)

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**PART A – Details of Individuals**

**INCLUDE EVERY PERSON, whether a FAMILY MEMBER, VISITOR, PATIENT, EMPLOYEE OR OTHER PERSON, who passes the night of Sunday, 21 April 1991, in the Household, Institution or Vessel or who arrives on the morning of Monday, 22 April 1991, not having been enumerated elsewhere.**  
**Persons normally resident in the Household, Institution or Vessel but absent on the night of Sunday, 21 April 1991, SHOULD NOT BE INCLUDED.**

<b>NAME and SURNAME</b> (Use block capitals)  Particulars in respect of the head of the household should be inserted on the first line. Any adult member of a private household, present on Census night, can be returned as the head according as the household members consider appropriate.  Particulars for one person only should be entered on each line.  (See Notes)	<b>SEX</b>  Please ✓ the appropriate box.	<b>RELATIONSHIP TO PERSON LISTED ON LINE 1</b>  Write as appropriate "Husband", "Wife", "Son", "Daughter", "Visitor", "Patient", "Employee", etc. Write "Visitor" for a son, daughter, etc. who usually lives elsewhere.  (See Notes)	<b>DATE OF BIRTH</b>  Use numbers, e.g. enter 14 February 1956 as 14/2/56.		<b>MARITAL STATUS – for persons born on or before 21 April 1976</b>  Was the person ever married?  Please ✓ the appropriate box.		<b>PLACE OF BIRTH</b>  If born in Ireland state the <i>county</i> .  If born elsewhere state the <i>country</i> .  (See Notes)	<b>RELIGION</b>  State the particular denomination.  If none write "None".
			Day	Month	Year	Yes		
Q. 1	Q. 2	Q. 3	Q. 4	Q. 5	Q. 6		Q. 7	Q. 8
	Male <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Female <input type="checkbox"/> 2				Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 1 No <input type="checkbox"/> 2	Widowed..... <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Remarried following: Widowed..... <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Dissolution of previous marriage (annulment or divorce)..... <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Married..... <input type="checkbox"/> 4 Marned but Separated: Deserted..... <input type="checkbox"/> 5 Marriage Annulled..... <input type="checkbox"/> 6 Legally Separated..... <input type="checkbox"/> 7 Other Separated..... <input type="checkbox"/> 8 Divorced in another country..... <input type="checkbox"/> 9		

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<b>ABILITY TO SPEAK THE IRISH LANGUAGE</b>  Write "Irish Only" "Irish and English" "Read but cannot speak Irish" or leave blank as appropriate.  (See Notes)	<b>USUAL RESIDENCE</b>		If the person lived outside Ireland (Republic) for a period of one year or more please indicate:  (a) The year of taking up residence in Ireland (Republic). (b) Country of last previous residence.		<b>TRAVEL TO WORK, SCHOOL or COLLEGE</b>		
	<b>NOW</b>	<b>ONE YEAR AGO</b>			<b>MEANS OF TRAVEL</b>		<b>DISTANCE</b>
	If the person usually lives at this address, write "Here". If not, write the usual address in full.  (See Notes)	If the person's usual address one year ago was the same as that given at Q. 10, write "Same". If not, write in full the usual address at that time. For children now under one year old, write "Under 1".  (See Notes)	Indicate the usual means of travel to work or school by inserting ✓ in the appropriate box.  If the person works at home (e.g. farmer, shopkeeper living on the premises, etc.) please insert ✓ in Box 11.  (See Notes)	State, to the nearest mile, the distance travelled from residence to place of work, school or college.  (See Notes)			
Q. 9	Q. 10	Q. 11	Q. 12	Q. 13	Q. 14		Q. 15
					On foot..... <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Bicycle..... <input type="checkbox"/> 2 School bus..... <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Other bus... <input type="checkbox"/> 4 Train..... <input type="checkbox"/> 5 Motor cycle..... <input type="checkbox"/> 6 Motor car (driver)..... <input type="checkbox"/> 7 Motor car (passenger)..... <input type="checkbox"/> 8 Lorry, van..... <input type="checkbox"/> 9 Other means..... <input type="checkbox"/> 10 None..... <input type="checkbox"/> 11		

The questionnaire catered for up to 8 persons within a household. Additional questionnaires were issued where necessary.

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**QUESTIONS 16-24 RELATE TO PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER**

	<b>EDUCATION RECEIVED</b> (to be completed only for person's whose full-time education has ceased)	<b>SCIENTIFIC or TECHNOLOGICAL QUALIFICATIONS</b>	<b>PRESENT STATUS</b>
State age at which full-time education ceased.	What is the <i>highest</i> level of education ( <b>full-time or part-time</b> ) which was <i>actually completed</i> ?  Insert ✓ in the appropriate box.  (See Notes)	If the person has such qualifications state: (a) the qualifications held; (b) the main subject(s) in which held.  (See Notes)	Indicate, by inserting ✓ in the appropriate box, the person's present principal status.  Self-employed persons should insert ✓ in Box 1.  Persons temporarily absent from work because of illness, holidays, etc., should insert ✓ in Box 1.  (See Notes)
<b>Q. 16</b>	<b>Q. 17</b>	<b>Q. 18</b>	<b>Q. 19</b>
	No Formal Education ..... <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Primary Education..... <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Lower Secondary (Inter Cert., Group Cert., 'O' levels) ..... <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Upper Secondary: • technical or vocational ..... <input type="checkbox"/> 4 • Leaving Cert ..... <input type="checkbox"/> 5 • both technical/vocational course and Leaving Cert..... <input type="checkbox"/> 6  Third Level: • sub-degree qualification . <input type="checkbox"/> 7 • primary university degree <input type="checkbox"/> 8 • professional qualification (of degree status at least) <input type="checkbox"/> 9 • both a degree and a professional qualification <input type="checkbox"/> 10 • post-graduate degree ..... <input type="checkbox"/> 11	(a) _____ (b) _____	At work ..... <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Seeking regular work for first time..... <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Unemployed ..... <input type="checkbox"/> 3 At school, student..... <input type="checkbox"/> 4  Home (i.e. domestic) duties ..... <input type="checkbox"/> 5 Retired ..... <input type="checkbox"/> 6 Unable to work owing to permanent sickness or disability..... <input type="checkbox"/> 7 Other..... <input type="checkbox"/> 8 Specify.....

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<b>OCCUPATION</b> If at work, state here the usual principal occupation, giving a <i>full</i> description.  If unemployed or retired, describe the principal occupation previously held.  Persons described as farmers or farm workers should also state the area of the land currently/previously farmed.  For students or persons at school state the type of school (Secondary, Community, Vocational, University, etc.).  (See Notes)	<b>EMPLOYMENT STATUS</b>  If at work, please ✓ the appropriate box to indicate person's present employment status.  If unemployed or retired, indicate the person's previous employment status.	<b>EMPLOYER and EMPLOYER'S BUSINESS</b>  For persons at work, if an employee, state name of employer (person, firm, company or public body) and nature of business carried on by the employer.  If self-employed, state the nature of business carried on.  If unemployed, state the name and nature of the business of last employer.  (See Notes)	<b>ADDRESS OF PLACE OF WORK, SCHOOL or COLLEGE</b>  Give full and <b>exact</b> address at which actually working or at which attending school or college. If working from a fixed centre or depot give that address.  If working at home (e.g. farmer, shopkeeper living on premises) write " <b>At Home</b> ".  For persons with no fixed place of work (e.g. Commercial Traveller) write " <b>None</b> ".  (See Notes)	<b>FARMING ACTIVITY</b>  Is the person engaged at all in farming on own-account (on land owned or rented by the person)?  If so, answer "Yes" if the area farmed is 1 acre or more, distinguishing whether farming is a principal or subsidiary activity. Otherwise, answer "No".  (See Notes)
<b>Q. 20</b>	<b>Q. 21</b>	<b>Q. 22</b>	<b>Q. 23</b>	<b>Q. 24</b>
	Self-employed, with paid employees.... <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Self-employed, without paid employees ..... <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Employee ..... <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Assisting relative (not receiving a fixed wage or salary) ..... <input type="checkbox"/> 4			Yes – principal activity ..... <input type="checkbox"/> 1  Yes – part-time/subsidiary activity ..... <input type="checkbox"/> 2  No..... <input type="checkbox"/> 3

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**PART B – Household Questions**

**THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS (25 TO 33) SHOULD BE ANSWERED IN RESPECT OF EACH PRIVATE HOUSEHOLD. These questions need not be answered in respect of institutions or private households living in caravans or other mobile dwellings.**

25. NATURE OF OCCUPANCY OF HOUSE, FLAT or ROOMS (Insert ✓ in appropriate box)

Rented from Local Authority (Corporation, County or Urban District Council) .....  1

Rented unfurnished, other than from Local Authority .....  2

Rented furnished or part furnished .....  3

Being acquired from Local Authority under a Purchase or Vested Cottage Scheme .....  4 (76)

Owner occupied where loan or mortgage repayments are being made .....  5

Owner occupied where no loan or mortgage repayments are being made .....  6

Occupied free of rent (caretaker, company official, etc.) .....  7

26. RENT (For Categories 1, 2 and 3 of Question 25)

If the house, flat or rooms are rented, state the rent and indicate the period which applies by inserting ✓ in the appropriate box.

RENT		Week	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
£	p	Two weeks	<input type="checkbox"/> 2
		Four weeks	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
per		Month	<input type="checkbox"/> 4 (83)
		Two months	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
		Three months	<input type="checkbox"/> 6
		Six months	<input type="checkbox"/> 7
		Year	<input type="checkbox"/> 8

(77-80) (81-82)

27. ROOMS

State the number of rooms occupied by the household (including kitchen but excluding kitchenette, scullery, bathroom, toilet, consulting room, office or shop).

(84-85)

28. YEAR IN WHICH THE HOUSE WAS BUILT

Indicate the period in which the house or other building containing the dwelling was built by inserting ✓ in the appropriate box. The year in which first built is required even if subsequently converted, extended or renovated.

Before 1919 .....  1

Between 1919 and 1940 inclusive .....  2

Between 1941 and 1960 inclusive .....  3

Between 1961 and 1970 inclusive .....  4 (86)

Between 1971 and 1980 inclusive .....  5

Between 1981 and 1985 inclusive .....  6

1986 or later .....  7

29. WATER SUPPLY (Insert ✓ in appropriate box)

Piped Water Supply:

Connected to Public Main .....  1

Connected to a Group Water Scheme with a Local Authority source of supply .....  2

Connected to a Group Water Scheme with a private source of supply (e.g. borehole, lake, etc.) .....  3 (87)

Connected to other private source (e.g. well, lake, rain-water tank, etc.) .....  4

No piped water supply .....  5

Is there a water tap inside the building? Yes  1 (88)  
No  2

30. BATH or SHOWER (Insert ✓ in appropriate box)

Has the household the use of a fixed bath or shower? Yes  1 (89)  
No  2

If "Yes", is this bath or shower shared with another household? Yes  1 (90)  
No  2

31. SANITARY FACILITIES (Insert ✓ in appropriate box)

Flush Toilet connected to public sewer .....  1

Flush Toilet connected to septic tank .....  2

Chemical Closet .....  3 (91)

Dry Closet .....  4

No Toilet or Closet .....  5

Is the Toilet or Closet inside the building? Yes  1 (92)  
No  2

Is the Toilet or Closet shared with another household? Yes  1 (93)  
No  2

32. HOUSEHOLD HEATING IN WINTER TIME (See Notes)

Indicate the principal method of heating the dwelling in winter time and also the principal fuel used.

Principal Method of Heating: (✓ one box only)	Principal Type of Fuel: (✓ one box only)
Open fire only ..... <input type="checkbox"/> 1	Solid Fuel:
Open fire with water heating back boiler ..... <input type="checkbox"/> 2	Smokeless fuel (e.g. briquettes, anthracite/extracite) ..... <input type="checkbox"/> 1
Open fire with back boiler central heating ..... <input type="checkbox"/> 3	House (bituminous) coal ..... <input type="checkbox"/> 2
Closed solid fuel appliances:	Other solid fuel (e.g. turf, wood) ..... <input type="checkbox"/> 3
Room heating only ..... <input type="checkbox"/> 4	Electricity ..... <input type="checkbox"/> 4
Room and water heating ..... <input type="checkbox"/> 5	Oil, including Kerosene ..... <input type="checkbox"/> 5
Central heating ..... <input type="checkbox"/> 6	Natural gas ..... <input type="checkbox"/> 6
Electric central heating ..... <input type="checkbox"/> 7	Bottled gas, including bulk LPG ..... <input type="checkbox"/> 7
Oil fired central heating ..... <input type="checkbox"/> 8	Other ..... <input type="checkbox"/> 8
Gas fired central heating ..... <input type="checkbox"/> 9	
Dual system central heating ..... <input type="checkbox"/> 10	
Portable heaters ..... <input type="checkbox"/> 11	
Other ..... <input type="checkbox"/> 12	

(94) (95)

33. MOTOR CARS

State how many motor cars are used exclusively by persons usually resident in the household (include company cars kept at home). If none insert "None".

(96-97)

**TO BE COMPLETED BY HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD OR OTHER PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR MAKING THE RETURN**

I declare that this return is correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature .....

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**F Building Type**

Conventional House, containing one dwelling .....  1

One dwelling building, partly non-residential .....  2

Multi-dwelling building .....  3

Caravan or other type of temporary dwelling .....  4

Hospital, county home and geriatric centre .....  5

Religious institution .....  6

Boarding School .....  7

Other residential institution, e.g. Nurses Home, Students Hostel .....  8

Hotel, guesthouse, boarding house .....  9

All other types of institutions and non-private households .....  0 (98)

**G Dwelling Code**

1

2 (99)

3

**To be completed by the Enumerator**

I hereby certify that this return is correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature .....

**H**

(100)

# EXPLANATORY NOTES

## Question 1 – NAME and SURNAME

- (i) Include every person, whether a member of the family, visitor, patient, employee or other person, who passes the night of Sunday, 21 April 1991 in the household or institution or who arrives on the morning of Monday, 22 April 1991, not having been enumerated elsewhere.
- (ii) Persons normally resident in the household or institution but absent on the night of Sunday, 21 April 1991, should NOT be included.
- (iii) Babies born after midnight on 21 April 1991 should not be included. If a baby, born before midnight on that night has not yet been given a name, it will be sufficient to write "baby".

## Question 3 – RELATIONSHIP TO PERSON LISTED ON LINE 1

- (i) Anyone in a private household whose usual residence is elsewhere should be described as "visitor", **whether related to the person listed on Line 1 or not.**
- (ii) For persons in hotels, hospitals or other institutions write "employee", "guest", "patient", "inmate", etc., as appropriate.

## Question 7 – PLACE OF BIRTH

- (i) Give the usual residence of mother at time of birth, not the location of hospital or nursing home where born.
- (ii) If born in any part of Ireland (including Northern Ireland) give the name of the county of birth.
- (iii) If born outside Ireland, whether now resident in or visiting Ireland, state the country of birth.

## Question 9 – ABILITY TO SPEAK THE IRISH LANGUAGE

This question should be answered for persons aged three years and over. Leave blank for children under 3 years of age.

- (i) Write "Irish only" for persons who can speak only Irish.
- (ii) Write "Irish and English" for those who can speak Irish and English.
- (iii) For persons who can read but cannot speak Irish, write "Read but cannot speak Irish".
- (iv) Do not write anything opposite names of persons who can neither read nor speak Irish.

## Questions 10 and 11 – USUAL RESIDENCE NOW; USUAL RESIDENCE ONE YEAR AGO

- (i) If an address in any part of Ireland (including Northern Ireland) is being given, make sure that the county of residence is stated. In addition, if the address is in a town, the name of the town should be given and if it is in a rural area, the townland name should be given. In every case, the full address should be given.
- (ii) If the address is outside Ireland, state the country of usual residence.
- (iii) For school children who are away from home during term-time, the home address and not the term-time address should be regarded as the usual residence.
- (iv) For students at University, etc., who are away from home during term-time, the term-time address should be regarded as the usual residence.
- (v) For persons, temporarily in hospitals and other institutions, give the home address.
- (vi) For persons with no settled address, write "None".

## Questions 12 and 13 – PREVIOUS RESIDENCE IN ANOTHER COUNTRY

- (i) These questions should be answered for all persons who are now usually resident in Ireland (Republic) and who previously lived elsewhere for a continuous period of 12 months or more; or who were brought to live here before their first birthday.
- (ii) At question 13 please distinguish Northern Ireland separately.

## Question 14 – MEANS OF TRAVEL TO WORK, SCHOOL or COLLEGE

This question and question 15 should be answered in respect of any person who is at work or who is attending school, university, etc. full-time. Leave blank for other persons (e.g. those engaged in home duties, retired persons, children not yet at school). Particulars given should relate to the outward journey.

- (i) If the person regularly uses some means of transport to a fixed place of work or to school, the *principal* means of transport (e.g. bus, train, motor car, motor cycle, bicycle, lorry, van) should be indicated.
- (ii) If the person walks to work or school, indicate "On foot".
- (iii) If the person uses more than one means of transport to work or school, indicate only the means by which the longest distance is travelled.
- (iv) If the person uses different means of transport on different days, indicate the means used most often.
- (v) For persons working daily from a fixed centre or depot, such as certain transport workers, indicate the means of transport to this centre or depot.
- (vi) For school children, etc., resident in schools and colleges, indicate "None".

## Question 15 – DISTANCE TRAVELLED TO WORK, SCHOOL or COLLEGE

- (i) For persons working daily from a fixed centre or depot, indicate the distance travelled from residence to this centre or depot.
- (ii) For persons with no regular place of work such as sales representatives, road workers and others who do not work at or from a fixed centre or depot, write "None".

## QUESTIONS 16-24 RELATE TO PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS and OVER

## Question 17 – EDUCATION RECEIVED (Highest level of education completed)

Persons who received their education when institutional arrangements were different to those currently in place or who were not educated in Ireland should select an equivalent option.

- (i) A person who has attended some form of specialised schooling for handicapped children should be taken as having the equivalent to Primary Education and Box 2 should be selected.
- (ii) A person who has attended Primary level only should select Box 2. Moreover, a person who attended a second level school but dropped out without sitting for the Intermediate Certificate, Group Certificate or 'O' Levels should select Box 2.
- (iii) A person who sat for the Intermediate Certificate, Group Certificate or 'O' Levels (but no higher level) should select Box 3 irrespective of the results achieved.
- (iv) Completing an apprenticeship should be regarded as equivalent to completing technical or vocational education at second level and Box 4 should be selected. However, if the apprenticeship was completed in addition to the Leaving Certificate then Box 6 should be selected.
- (v) A person who sat for the Leaving Certificate (but who completed no further course) should select Box 5 irrespective of the results achieved.
- (vi) A person who attempted a third level course but without obtaining the certificate, diploma or degree in question should select the appropriate Box at Upper Secondary level.
- (vii) A sub-degree qualification at Third Level (i.e. Box 7) should be selected for a person who has obtained a certificate/diploma (not equivalent to a university degree) from a course for which the entry requirement was the completion of the Upper Secondary level to a certain minimum standard.
- (viii) A post-graduate degree refers to a degree at Master or higher level. A person with a post-graduate diploma such as the Higher Diploma in Education (but without a degree to Master or higher level) should for Census purposes select Box 8.

# EXPLANATORY NOTES – *continued*

## Question 18 – SCIENTIFIC or TECHNOLOGICAL QUALIFICATIONS

This question should be answered for persons who hold one or more qualifications of the type listed below in a branch of science or technology, including natural sciences, engineering, medical sciences, agricultural sciences and social sciences, but excluding commerce, domestic science and nursing.

(a) *Qualifications* – the qualification(s) held should be stated at (a) – see examples below.

### *Qualifications*

Certificate, Diploma, Associateship or Degree awarded by an educational institution (e.g. University, National Council for Educational Awards, City and Guilds, Department of Education, etc.) following at least one year's full-time study (or equivalent part-time study) after the Leaving Certificate or its equivalent.

Graduate or Corporate Membership of a Professional Institution.

### *Examples of entry at (a)*

National Certificate (NCEA); City and Guilds Technician Certificate; National Diploma (NCEA); College Technician Diploma; A.R.C.Sc.I.; A.I.M.L.S.; Grad.I.E.E.; Grad.I.Mech.E.; B.Sc.; B.E.; M.E.; Ph.D.; B.A. (Mathematics); B.Soc. Sc.; M.B.; B.Ch.; B.A.O.; M.Econ.Sc.;

M.I.E.I.; M.I.C.I.; M.R.I.C.; M.I. Mech.E.; A.Inst.P.; F.I.M.L.S.; M.I. Biol.

(b) *Main Branch*

The main branch of science or technology in which the qualification(s) are held should be stated at (b), i.e. Agriculture; Horticulture; Veterinary Science; Physics; Medicine; Dentistry; Pharmacy; Biochemistry; Mathematical Physics; Architecture; Mechanical Engineering; Applied Biology; Applied Chemistry; Electronics; Geography; Sociology; Economics; etc.

## Question 19 – PRESENT STATUS

- (i) Self-employed persons should insert ✓ in Box 1.
- (ii) Persons temporarily absent from work because of illness, holidays, etc., should insert ✓ in Box 1.
- (iii) Apprentices who are in employment and who also attend technical schools or colleges of technology should insert ✓ in Box 1.
- (iv) Full-time students who are in part-time employment should insert ✓ in Box 4.

## Question 20 – OCCUPATION

- (i) If at work, state the usual principal occupation i.e. that by which the living is mainly earned.
- (ii) If unemployed or retired, describe the principal occupation previously held.
- (iii) **In all cases describe the occupation fully and precisely** using any special name by which the job is known and stating the type of work done. The following are examples of the types of occupational descriptions which should be used:

Hosiery Machine Operator	Dock Labourer	Gas Fitter	Ticket Checker
Woodworking Machinist	Builder's Labourer	Electrical Fitter	Goods Checker
Sound Technician	Civil Engineer	Garage Foreman	Radio Mechanic
Laboratory Technician	Electrical Engineer	Site Foreman	Motor Mechanic

General terms such as "Machine Operator", "Technician", "Labourer", "Engineer", "Fitter", "Foreman", "Checker", "Mechanic", SHOULD NOT BE USED ALONE.

- (iv) For civil servants and local government employees, the grade should be stated and for Army or Garda personnel, the rank should be stated.
- (v) For teachers, the branch of teaching should be stated, i.e. "Primary teacher", "Vocational teacher", etc.
- (vi) For clergy and members of religious orders engaged in teaching or other service, a full description should be given such as "Christian Brother, primary teacher", "Nun, general hospital nurse", etc.
- (vii) If a farmer or farm worker and regardless of present status (Question 19), state also the area and units (statute acres/hectares) of the land farmed (i.e. including land taken and excluding land let). Specifically, if retired, then state the area farmed at retirement.
- (viii) For students or persons at school, state the type of school or institution, i.e. "Secondary", "Community", "Vocational", "University", etc.

## Question 22 – EMPLOYER and EMPLOYER'S BUSINESS

This question should be answered in respect of each person aged 15 years or over who is at work or unemployed.

- (a) For a person at work:
  - (i) If an employee, state the name of the employer (whether person, firm, company or public body) and the nature of the business carried on by the employer.
  - (ii) If self-employed, state the nature of the business carried on.
- (b) For an unemployed person, state the name and nature of business of the last employer.

The nature of business carried on should be described fully indicating the type of goods made or dealt with, or type of service rendered. For example, use descriptions such as "Shirt Factory", "Shoe Manufacturer", "Cattle Dealer", "Wholesale Tea Merchant", "Import Agent (Textiles)". Descriptions such as "Factory", "Manufacturer", "Dealer", "Merchant", "Agent", SHOULD NOT BE USED ALONE.

## Question 23 – ADDRESS OF PLACE OF WORK, SCHOOL or COLLEGE

This question should be answered in respect of each person, aged 15 years or over, who is at work, at school or at college. **Give full and exact address** at which actually working or at which attending school or college. The *address at which working* is required, not the headquarters or head office of an employer, if this is different.

- (i) For persons who work from a fixed centre or depot, give that address.
- (ii) For persons who work mainly at home, i.e. farmer, shopkeeper living on premises, etc. write "At home".
- (iii) For persons with no fixed place of work such as sales representatives, road workers and others who do not work at or from a fixed centre or depot, write "None".

## Question 24 – FARMING ACTIVITY

This question should be answered by all persons aged 15 years and over. Farming activity covers the raising of all categories of livestock, including intensive pig and poultry production. It also includes horticulture and the growing of all crops.

- (i) Box 1 should be chosen in all cases where the person's present status (Question 19) is "At work" and where the principal occupation (Question 20) is "farmer".
- (ii) Box 2 should be chosen in all other cases where the person is engaged in farming on own account. It should include cases where farming is undertaken as a **subsidiary occupation or part-time activity** even where the person's present status (Question 19) is other than "At work" i.e. "Retired", "Home duties", etc.
- (iii) A person not engaged in farmwork on own-account should choose Box 3. In particular, a person engaged in farming but only on behalf of others, i.e. working solely as an employee or assisting a relative, should choose this box.

## Question 32 – HOUSEHOLD HEATING IN WINTER TIME

Central heating means two or more rooms heated by a single fuel burning appliance and associated heat distribution system (e.g. radiators), or, in the case of electricity, permanently wired heating units.

Portable heaters include stand-alone electric, oil and gas heaters