



# Scottish Elections (Reduction of Voting Age) Act 2015

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## *Awareness and assistance*

### **17 Local authority duty to promote awareness and provide assistance**

(1) Each local authority must—

- (a) promote awareness among relevant young people of the arrangements for registration as local government electors that apply to the young people, and
- (b) take such action as the authority considers necessary to help such young people register as local government electors.

(2) In subsection (1), “relevant young people”, in relation to a local authority, means—

- (a) children who are looked after by the authority, within the meaning of section 17(6) of the Children (Scotland) Act 1995 (duty of local authorities in relation to looked after children),
- (b) persons to whom the authority is providing continuing care under section 26A of that Act (provision of continuing care: looked after children), and
- (c) persons to whom the authority is providing advice, guidance or assistance under section 29(1) or (5A) of that Act (after-care).