

Northern Ireland (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2006

2006 CHAPTER 33

PART 1

REGISTRATION OF ELECTORS

Periodical canvass etc.

4 The relevant registration objectives

After section 10ZA of the 1983 Act insert—

"10ZB The relevant registration objectives (Northern Ireland)

- (1) The relevant registration objectives are to secure, so far as reasonably practicable—
 - (a) that every person who is entitled to be registered in a register is registered in it,
 - (b) that no person who is not entitled to be registered in a register is registered in it, and
 - (c) that none of the required information relating to any person registered in a register is false.
- (2) But, in applying subsection (1), the registrations of the persons mentioned in section 10(3) (registrations with which a canvass is not concerned) must be disregarded.
- (3) "Register" means a register maintained by the Chief Electoral Officer for Northern Ireland under section 9.
- (4) "The required information" means the following (as appearing in the register or other records of the Chief Electoral Officer)—

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (a) the person's name;
- (b) the person's qualifying address;
- (c) the person's date of birth;
- (d) subject to subsections (5) and (6), the person's signature;
- (e) the person's national insurance number or a statement that he does not have one.
- (5) The required information does not include the person's signature if—
 - (a) the Chief Electoral Officer has dispensed with the requirement to provide a signature, or
 - (b) other evidence of identity is required (instead of a signature) under a CORE scheme.
- (6) If under a CORE scheme other evidence is required instead of a signature, the required information includes that evidence.
- (7) "False", in relation to a signature, means that the signature is not the usual signature of, or was written by a person other than, the person whose signature it purports to be.
- (8) "CORE scheme" has the same meaning as in Part 1 of the Electoral Administration Act 2006."