



Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013

2013 CHAPTER 6

PART 1

INDIVIDUAL ELECTORAL REGISTRATION IN GREAT BRITAIN

5 Invitations to register

(1) After section 9D of the Representation of the People Act 1983 insert—

“9E Maintenance of registers: invitations to register in Great Britain

- (1) A registration officer in Great Britain must give a person an invitation to apply for registration in a register maintained by the officer if—
 - (a) the officer is aware of the person’s name and address,
 - (b) the person is not registered in the register, and
 - (c) the officer has reason to believe that the person may be entitled to be registered in the register.
- (2) Regulations may make provision about invitations under subsection (1), including—
 - (a) provision about the form and contents of invitations;
 - (b) provision about the giving of invitations (for example, provision about the manner in which they must be given or how often they must be given);
 - (c) provision requiring invitations to be accompanied by, or combined with, application forms or other documents (including partially completed application forms).
- (3) Regulations under subsection (2) may confer functions on the Electoral Commission (for example, the Commission may be required to design an invitation).

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (4) A registration officer who gives a person an invitation under subsection (1) may subsequently require the person to make an application for registration by a specified date.
 - (5) A requirement under subsection (4) is of no effect if the person is not entitled to be registered.
 - (6) Regulations—
 - (a) may make provision about requirements under subsection (4) (including provision for them to be cancelled in specified circumstances);
 - (b) may specify steps that a registration officer must take before imposing a requirement.
 - (7) A registration officer may impose a civil penalty on a person who fails to comply with a requirement imposed by the officer under subsection (4).
 - (8) For more about civil penalties under this section, see Schedule ZA1.”
- (2) Schedule 3 inserts a new Schedule ZA1 into the 1983 Act.