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**REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE**
**The Representation of the People (Amendment)  
Regulations 1979**

<i>Made - - - -</i>	<i>15th November 1979</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>	<i>22nd November 1979</i>
<i>Coming into Operation</i>	<i>27th December 1979</i>

In exercise of the powers conferred upon me by sections 42 and 171(5) of the Representation of the People Act 1949(a), I hereby make the following Regulations:—

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Representation of the People (Amendment) Regulations 1979 and shall come into operation 14 days after they have been approved by resolution of each House of Parliament.

(2) These Regulations shall not extend to Scotland or Northern Ireland.

2. In these Regulations the expression “the principal Regulations” means the Representation of the People Regulations 1974(b).

3. In Regulation 10 of the principal Regulations, paragraphs (a) and (b) shall be omitted.

4. Notwithstanding that in the electors lists published before the coming into operation of these Regulations the names of electors were marked in accordance with paragraphs (a) and (b) of the said Regulation 10, the register which is to be prepared from those lists shall not include such markings.

5. At the end of Regulation 22 of the principal Regulations, there shall be added the following paragraph:—

“(4) The registration officer shall on the request of a parish or community council supply them without fee with one copy of so much of the register as relates to the area of that parish or community.”.

6. Regulation 23 of the principal Regulations shall be amended by substituting for the words “fifty pence” the words “one pound”.

*W. S. I. Whitelaw,*  
One of Her Majesty's Principal  
Secretaries of State.

Home Office.  
15th November 1979.

(a) 1949 c. 68.

(b) S.I. 1974/648; the relevant amending instrument is S.I. 1978/197.

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)*

Regulation 3 of these Regulations amends Regulation 10 of the Representation of the People Regulations 1974 ("the principal Regulations") so as to remove the requirement that in the electors lists and the register of electors the name of any elector who is a service voter shall be marked with the letter "S" and the name of any elector who is a merchant seaman shall be marked with the letter "M". Regulation 4 is a transitional provision supplementary to Regulation 3. Regulation 5 adds a provision to the principal Regulations whereby the electoral registration officer is required to supply without fee to a parish or community council one copy of so much of the register as relates to the area of that parish or community. Regulation 6 amends Regulation 23 of the principal Regulations so as to increase the fee payable for copies of the register of electors by persons other than those to whom paragraph (a) of that Regulation applies (Regulation 23(a) applies to persons who receive without paying a fee a copy of the register under Regulation 22 and require further copies).

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