
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1991 No. 1243

REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE

**The European Parliamentary Elections
(Amendment) Regulations 1991**

Made - - - - 22nd May 1991

Coming into force in accordance with regulation 1(3)

Whereas a draft of these Regulations has been approved by resolution of each House of Parliament; Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred upon me by paragraph 2 of Schedule 1 to the European Parliamentary Elections Act 1978(1), I hereby make the following Regulations:

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the European Parliamentary Elections (Amendment) Regulations 1991.

(2) These Regulations do not extend to Northern Ireland.

(3) These Regulations shall come into force when the Representation of the People Act 1990(2) comes into force in Great Britain (and accordingly when the Representation of the People (Amendment) Regulations 1991(3) and the Representation of the People (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1991(4) also come into force).

2.—(1) At the end of paragraph (1) of regulation 5 of the European Parliamentary Elections Regulations 1986(5) (application of certain provisions for the purposes of European Parliamentary elections) there shall be added the following:

“The entry in that Schedule in respect of section 6 of the Act of 1985 is to that provision as amended by section 1 of the Representation of the People Act 1990.”

(2) In the left-hand column of Part I of Schedule 2 to the European Parliamentary Elections Regulations 1986 (application with modifications of the Representation of the People Regulations 1986(6)) there shall be inserted, after the entry in respect of regulation 63, the following entry:

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- (1) [1978 c. 10](#); the citation of this Act has been amended in accordance with section 3(1) (b) and (2) (b) of the European Communities (Amendment) Act [1986 \(c. 58\)](#) on the coming into force of the Single European Act (Cmd. 9758) on 1st July 1987.
- (2) [1990 c. 32](#).
- (3) [S.I. 1991/1198](#).
- (4) [S.I. 1991/1226](#).
- (5) [S.I. 1986/2209](#); the citation of this instrument has been amended by the provisions referred to in the first footnote to these Regulations; regulation 5(1) has also been amended by [S.I. 1990/687](#).
- (6) [S.I. 1986/1081](#).

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

“Regulation 63A (additional requirement for applicant no longer resident at qualifying address)(7)

(3) In the left-hand column of Part II of Schedule 2 to the European Parliamentary Elections Regulations 1986 (application with modifications of the Representation of the People (Scotland) Regulations 1986(8)) there shall be inserted, after the entry in respect of regulation 61, the following entry:

“Regulation 61A (additional requirement for applicant no longer resident at qualifying address)(9)

Home Office
22nd May 1991

Kenneth Baker
One of Her Majesty’s Principal Secretaries of
State

(7) Regulation 63A was inserted by [S.I. 1991/1198](#).
(8) [S.I. 1986/1111](#).
(9) Regulation 61A was inserted by [S.I. 1991/1226](#).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the European Parliamentary Elections Regulations 1986 (“the 1986 Regulations”) which apply in Great Britain only.

Regulation 2(1) has the effect of applying the amendment made by section 1 of the Representation of the People Act 1990 to section 6 of the Representation of the People Act 1985 for the purposes of European Parliamentary elections. The said section 6, as applied by the 1986 Regulations, provides for the entitlement to an absent vote for an indefinite period at European Parliamentary elections. The said section 1 adds a further ground on which the right can be claimed which applies where the applicant is no longer resident at his qualifying address or at any other address in the same area.

Regulation 2(2) applies for the purposes of European Parliamentary elections a regulation which the Representation of the People (Amendment) Regulations 1991 added to the Representation of the People Regulations 1986 (which apply in England and Wales) and which concerns applications for an absent vote for an indefinite period made on the grounds inserted by the said section 1. Regulation 2(3) applies for those purposes the equivalent regulation which was added to the Representation of the People (Scotland) Regulations 1986.