



Local Electoral Administration and Registration Services (Scotland) Act 2006

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PART 1

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS

Observers

8 Observers: individuals

- (1) A person who is aged 16 or over may apply to the returning officer for a local government election for permission to be an observer at any of the following proceedings relating to the election—
 - (a) proceedings at the issue or receipt of postal ballot papers,
 - (b) proceedings at the poll,
 - (c) proceedings at the counting of votes.
- (2) If the returning officer grants the permission sought, the applicant may attend and observe the proceedings referred to in subsection (1).
- (3) An application under subsection (1) must be made in the manner specified in the code of practice issued under section 11.
- (4) The returning officer may at any time revoke any permission granted under this section.
- (5) If the returning officer—
 - (a) refuses an application under subsection (1), or
 - (b) revokes the permission granted under this section,the officer's decision together with reasons for the refusal or revocation must be given to the applicant.
- (6) The decision and reasons under subsection (5) must be given by the returning officer in the manner specified in the code of practice issued under section 11.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (7) The rights conferred by subsection (2) are subject to any enactment which regulates attendance at the proceedings in question.