



Local Electoral Administration (Scotland) Act 2011

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PART 1

ELECTORAL MANAGEMENT BOARD FOR SCOTLAND

Establishment of Board etc.

1 Electoral Management Board for Scotland

(1) There is established a committee to be known as the Electoral Management Board for Scotland.

[^{F1}(2) The Board has the general functions of co-ordinating the administration of—

- (a) Scottish parliamentary elections, and
- (b) local government elections in Scotland.]

[^{F2}(3) Those functions include—

- (a) assisting regional returning officers, constituency returning officers, local authorities and other persons in carrying out their functions in relation to Scottish parliamentary elections,
- (b) assisting returning officers, local authorities and other persons in carrying out their functions in relation to local government elections, and
- (c) promoting best practice in Scottish parliamentary elections and local government elections by providing information, advice or training (or otherwise).]

Textual Amendments

F1 S. 1(2) substituted (1.10.2020) by [Scottish Elections \(Reform\) Act 2020 \(asp 12\), ss. 24\(a\), 35; S.S.I. 2020/278, reg. 2, sch.](#)

F2 S. 1(3) substituted (1.10.2020) by [Scottish Elections \(Reform\) Act 2020 \(asp 12\), ss. 24\(b\), 35; S.S.I. 2020/278, reg. 2, sch.](#)

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Local Electoral Administration (Scotland) Act 2011, Cross Heading: Establishment of Board etc.. (See end of Document for details)

Commencement Information

I1 S. 1 in force at 29.6.2011 by [S.S.I. 2011/277](#), **art. 2(a)**

2 Membership

- (1) The Board is to have—
 - (a) a convener, who must be a returning officer,
 - (b) 8 other members of whom—
 - (i) 5 are to be returning or depute returning officers,
 - (ii) 3 are to be electoral registration officers.
- (2) The Scottish Ministers are to appoint the convener.
- (3) The convener is to appoint the other members.
- (4) When appointing members, the convener is to have regard to the desirability of the membership taken as a whole having a broad range of experience in relation to^{F3}—
 - (a) different local authority areas (including different kinds of areas) throughout Scotland, and
 - (b) the different constituencies and regions provided for Scottish parliamentary elections by schedule 1 of the Scotland Act 1998 (including different kinds of constituencies and regions).]

Textual Amendments

F3 Words in s. 2(4) substituted (1.10.2020) by [Scottish Elections \(Reform\) Act 2020 \(asp 12\)](#), **ss. 27(2)**, **35**; [S.S.I. 2020/278](#), **reg. 2**, **sch.**

Commencement Information

I2 S. 2 in force at 29.6.2011 by [S.S.I. 2011/277](#), **art. 2(a)**

3 Duration of appointment

- (1) A person is to be appointed to the Board for a period of 4 years.
- (2) A person may be reappointed to the Board (once or more).

Commencement Information

I3 S. 3 in force at 29.6.2011 by [S.S.I. 2011/277](#), **art. 2(a)**

4 Procedure etc.

- (1) It is for the Board to regulate its own procedure (and quorum).
- (2) The convener may (with the agreement of the other members of the Board) invite a person to attend a meeting of the Board for the purpose of providing advice or otherwise assisting the Board in carrying out its functions.

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Commencement Information

I4 S. 4 in force at 29.6.2011 by [S.S.I. 2011/277](#), **art. 2(a)**

Changes to legislation:

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