
DRAFT STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2008 No.

**The Representation of the People
(Scotland) (Amendment) Regulations 2008**

PART 2

Absent voting: personal identifiers

The personal identifiers record

6. After regulation 61A(1) (conditions on the use, supply and inspection of absent voter records or lists) insert—

“The personal identifiers record

61B.—(1) The registration officer shall maintain a record (“the personal identifiers record”), apart from the other records and lists which he is required to keep under Schedule 4, of the signatures and dates of birth provided by persons whose applications under paragraph 3(1) or (2), paragraph 4(1) or (2) or paragraph 7(4)(a) or (b) of Schedule 4 were granted, until the expiry of twelve months from—

- (a) the date on which a person is removed from the record kept pursuant to paragraph 3(4) or 7(6) of Schedule 4; or
- (b) the date of the poll for the purposes of which the person’s application for an absent vote was granted under paragraph 4(1) or (2) or 7(4)(b) of Schedule 4.

(2) The personal identifiers record shall contain the following information in respect of each absent voter on the postal voters list, list of proxies or proxy postal voters list—

- (a) his name;
- (b) his date of birth; and
- (c) his signature, or a record of a waiver by the registration officer of the requirement for a signature.

(3) A returning officer may disclose information held in the personal identifiers record to—

- (a) any candidate or agent attending proceedings on receipt of postal ballot papers, in accordance with and for the purposes referred to in regulation 85(2);
- (b) any person attending proceedings on receipt of postal ballot papers, who is entitled to do so by virtue of any of sections 6A to 6D of the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000(3), but only to the extent required to permit them to observe the proceedings.”.

(1) Regulation 61A was inserted by S.I. 2007/925.

(2) Regulation 85 was amended by S.I. 2002/1872 and 2007/925 and is further amended by regulation 9 of these Regulations.

(3) 2000 c. 41; sections 6A to 6D were inserted by section 29 of the Electoral Administration Act 2006 (c. 22).

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