

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 2

POWER TO MAKE REGULATIONS ABOUT REGISTRATION, ABSENT VOTING AND OTHER MATTERS

Amendments to the Representation of the People Act 1983

6 For paragraph 3A substitute—

“3A (1) Provision about—

- (a) applications for registration in Northern Ireland and applications under section 13C, including in particular provision about—
 - (i) the form and contents of applications and of any declarations to be made in connection with them;
 - (ii) the manner in which applications and any such declarations are to be made;
 - (b) the manner in which forms in connection with a canvass under section 10 are to be submitted.
- (2) Provision made under sub-paragraph (1) may include provision—
- (a) conferring functions on the Secretary of State or the Chief Electoral Officer for Northern Ireland to enable applications to be made, or forms to be submitted, in a particular manner;
 - (b) conferring other functions on the Chief Electoral Officer for Northern Ireland;
 - (c) conferring functions on the Electoral Commission;
 - (d) authorising the Secretary of State or the Chief Electoral Officer for Northern Ireland, in prescribed circumstances, to complete applications or forms in part for people.
- (3) Provision requiring a person making an application for registration in Northern Ireland—
- (a) to provide evidence that the person is the person named in the application;
 - (b) to provide evidence of entitlement to be registered.
- (4) Provision requiring a person making an application under section 13C to provide evidence that the person is the person named in the application.
- (5) Provision made under sub-paragraph (3) or (4) must specify the kind of evidence that a person is required to provide.
- (6) Examples of the evidence that may be specified include a person’s date of birth or national insurance number.
- (7) Provision made under sub-paragraph (3) or (4) may require a person to provide the evidence to the Chief Electoral Officer for Northern

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Ireland or to some other prescribed person (or person of a prescribed description).

- (8) Provision about how any requirement for an applicant to provide a signature in connection with—
- (a) an application for registration in Northern Ireland, or
 - (b) a form submitted in connection with a canvass under section 10, may be satisfied.”

Commencement Information

- I1** Sch. 2 para. 6 not in force at Royal Assent, see [s. 67\(1\)](#)
I2 [Sch. 2 para. 6](#) in force at 27.8.2022 by [S.I. 2022/916](#), [art. 2\(e\)](#)

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