

STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2019 No. 1451

**The Representation of the People (Annual
Canvass) (Amendment) Regulations 2019**

Processing of information in connection with data matching confirmation

21.—(1) Information disclosed under regulation 20 may not be disclosed to any other person, except—

- (a) for a purpose mentioned in paragraph 1A(1) of Schedule 2 to the Representation of the People Act 1983 ^{M1};
- (b) for the purpose of any civil or criminal proceedings.

(2) A person who discloses information in breach of paragraph (1) is guilty of an offence and liable—

- (a) on conviction on indictment, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years, or to a fine, or to both;
- (b) on summary conviction, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 12 months, or to a fine, or both.

(3) Any person who discloses information under regulation 20 must process it in accordance with any requirements as to the processing of information that may have been imposed by the Minister for the Cabinet Office, including requirements as to the transfer, storage, destruction and security of that information.

(4) Where a registration officer processes any results they receive under regulation 20(6) they must do so in accordance with any requirements as to the processing of information that may have been imposed by the Minister for the Cabinet Office in relation to a register of parliamentary electors in Great Britain or a register of local government electors in England.

(5) Any requirements, in accordance with which a person must process information, must be imposed by the Minister for the Cabinet Office before a registration officer is required to disclose that information under regulation 20.

Commencement Information

II Reg. 21 in force at 5.11.2019, see reg. 1(2)

Marginal Citations

M1 Paragraph 1A was inserted by paragraph 2 of Schedule 2 to the 2013 Act.

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Representation of the People (Annual Canvass) (Amendment) Regulations 2019, Section 21.