STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2024 No. 319

REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE, NORTHERN IRELAND

The Representation of the People (Postal Vote Handling etc.) (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Regulations 2024

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THE REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE (POSTAL VOTE HANDLING ETC.) (NORTHERN IRELAND) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2024

Part 1

General

1. Citation, commencement, transitional provision and extent

Part 2

Amendment of the Representation of the People (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2008

- 2. Amendment of the Representation of the People (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2008
- 3. Amendment of regulation 70 (interpretation of Part 5)
- 4. Insertion of regulation 81B (alternative means of returning postal ballot paper)
- 5. Amendment of regulation 84 (receipt of covering envelope)
- 6. Insertion of regulations 84A to 84I (postal voting documents returned by hand and left behind postal voting documents)
- 7. Amendment of regulation 86 (opening of covering envelopes)
- 8. Amendment of regulation 91 (forwarding of documents)
- 9. Amendment of regulation 117 (inspection of documents open to public inspection)
- 10. Amendment of Schedule 3 (forms)

Part 3

Amendment of the Northern Ireland Assembly (Elections) Order 2001

- 11. Amendment of the Northern Ireland Assembly (Elections) Order 2001
- 12. Amendment of Schedule 1 (application with modifications of provisions of primary legislation relating to elections)
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Provisions related to the voting and candidacy rights of EU citizens

- 14. Amendment of the Representation of the People (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2008
- 15. Amendment of the Representation of the People (Franchise Amendment and Eligibility Review) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2023
- 16. Transitional provision for certain elections re-run on or after 7th May 2024
- 17. Transitional provision for persons elected following a re-run election Signature

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Explanatory Note