

The Postal Voting Regulations, 2020

Made

10th August, 2020

Coming into operation

On being made

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, 2020

THE STATES' ASSEMBLY AND CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 15B of the Reform (Amendment) (Guernsey) Law, 1972^a and all other powers enabling it in that behalf, and having consulted the Registrar-General of Electors, hereby makes the following Regulations:-

Modification of the application of the 1972 Law in respect of the 2020 General Election.

1. (1) Sections 9 and 10 of the Reform (Amendment) (Guernsey) Law, 1972, as they apply in respect of the general election to the office of People's Deputy to take place on 7th October, 2020, shall be modified as follows.

(2) For section 9 (marking of counterfoil and Register), substitute –

^a Ordres en Conseil Vol. XXIII, p. 476; as amended by Vol. XXVI, p. 255; Vol. XXXIV, p. 397; Vol. XXXVI, p. 478; Vol. XXXVIII, p. 295; No. XIII of 2003; No. VII of 2010; No. II of 2020; Ordinance No. III of 2004; No. LI of 2006; and No. XXIII of 2020.

"Marking of Register.

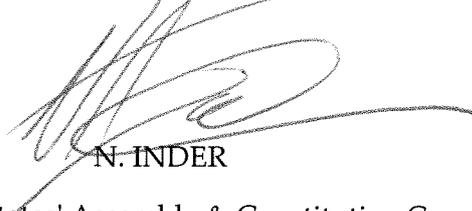
9. The Registrar-General shall place a mark in the Register against the entry relating to an absent voter to whom a ballot paper has been sent under the provisions of section 7 or section 7A of this Law, denoting that a ballot paper has been sent to the absent voter but without disclosing the number of the said ballot paper."

(3) In section 10 (marking of documents), for the words from the start to (but not including) "shall be marked", substitute "When a ballot paper is sent under the provisions of section 7 or section 7A of this Law to an absent voter, the personal number of the absent voter".

Citation.

2. These Regulations may be cited as the Posting Voting Regulations, 2020.

Dated this 10th day of August, 2020



N. INDER

President of the States' Assembly & Constitution Committee

For and on behalf of the Committee

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations modify sections 9 and 10 of the Reform (Amendment) (Guernsey) Law, 1972 ("the 1972 Law") as they shall apply in respect of the 2020 General Election, to facilitate the introduction of a partially automated system for preparing, collating and sending documents to absent voters. As required by section 15B(2) and (3) of the 1972 Law, the States' Assembly & Constitution Committee consulted the Registrar-General of Electors before making these Regulations, and is satisfied that they shall not threaten the integrity of the 2020 General Election.

These Regulations were made on 10th August, 2020 and came into force on being made.