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PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS ACT (CHAPTER 218)

PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS (REGISTRATION OF OVERSEAS ELECTORS) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2009

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 102 of the Parliamentary Elections Act, the Prime Minister hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Parliamentary Elections (Registration of Overseas Electors) (Amendment) Regulations 2009 and shall come into operation on 3rd March 2009.

Amendment of regulation 4

2. Regulation 4 of the Parliamentary Elections (Registration of Overseas Electors) Regulations (Rg 4) (referred to in these Regulations as the principal Regulations) is amended —

- (*a*) by deleting sub-paragraphs (*a*) and (*b*) of paragraph (1) and substituting the following sub-paragraphs:
 - "(*a*) be in Form 1 in the Schedule; and
 - (b) be made in accordance with regulations 5 and 8 -
 - (i) in person;
 - (ii) by post; or
 - (iii) using the electronic system provided by the Government for this purpose.";
- (b) by deleting sub-paragraph (a) of paragraph (2); and
- (c) by deleting the words "Part VI of the Form" in paragraph (2)(c) and substituting the words "Part V of Form 1".

Amendment of regulation 5

- 3. Regulation 5 of the principal Regulations is amended
 - (a) by deleting the words "completed Form" in paragraph (1) and substituting the words "completed Form 1";
 - (b) by deleting the words "not later than 21 days after the date of publication in the *Gazette* of that notice" in the penultimate and last lines of paragraph (1) and substituting the words "at any time before a writ of election is issued for any election in that electoral division"; and
 - (c) by deleting paragraph (2) and substituting the following paragraphs:

"(2) To apply by post to be registered as an overseas elector for any electoral division, a person must -

- (a) complete and sign Form 1 in the Schedule; and
- (b) send it by registered post addressed to the office of the Registration Officer in Singapore, or an overseas registration centre, so that the Registration Officer or the overseas registration centre, as the case may be, receives it before a writ of election is issued for any election in that electoral division.

(2A) To apply to be registered as an overseas elector for any electoral division using the electronic system provided by the Government for this purpose, a person must complete and submit a web-based form of Form 1 made available on the Registration Officer's Internet website at http://www.elections.gov.sg, in accordance with the instructions accompanying the form or of the electronic system so that the Registration Officer receives it before a writ of election is issued for any election in that electoral division.

(2B) No person whose application to be registered as an overseas elector for an electoral division is received after a writ of election is issued for an election in the electoral division shall be registered as an overseas elector for that electoral division until after nomination day or, if a poll is to be taken, until after polling day of that election.".

Deletion and substitution of regulation 7 and new regulation 8

4. Regulation 7 of the principal Regulations is deleted and the following regulations substituted therefor:

"Application to cancel registration or change overseas polling station

7.—(1) An application by any person who is registered as an overseas elector in the register of electors for an electoral division —

- (a) to cancel his registration as an overseas elector;
- (b) to change the overseas polling station allotted to him under section 13A(3)(b) of the Act to another overseas polling station; or
- (c) to change the particulars of his overseas contact details, such as work telephone or facsimile numbers, and email or other addresses for correspondence,

shall be in Form 2 in the Schedule and be made in accordance with this regulation and regulation 8.

(2) An application referred to in paragraph (1) may be made at any time —

- (*a*) in person;
- (b) by post; or
- (c) by using the electronic system provided by the Government for this purpose.

(3) To apply in person, a person who is registered as an overseas elector in the register of electors for an electoral division must —

- (a) complete and sign Form 2 in the Schedule; and
- (b) lodge it at the office of the Registration Officer in Singapore, or at an overseas registration centre before a writ of election is issued for any election in that electoral division.

(4) To apply by post, a person who is registered as an overseas elector in the register of electors for an electoral division must —

- (a) complete and sign Form 2 in the Schedule; and
- (b) send it by registered post addressed to the office of the Registration Officer in Singapore, or an overseas registration centre, so that the Registration Officer or

the overseas registration centre, as the case may be, receives it before a writ of election is issued for any election in that electoral division.

(5) To apply using the electronic system provided by the Government for this purpose, a person who is registered as an overseas elector in the register of electors for an electoral division must complete and submit a web-based form of Form 2 made available on the Registration Officer's Internet website at http://www.elections.gov.sg, in accordance with the instructions accompanying the form or of the electronic system so that the Registration Officer receives it before a writ of election is issued for any election in the electoral division.

(6) The Registration Officer may reject any application referred to in paragraph (1) if the application is incomplete or not made in accordance with these Regulations.

(7) No person whose application —

- (a) to cancel his registration as an overseas elector; or
- (b) to change the overseas polling station allotted to him under section 13A(3)(b) of the Act to another overseas polling station,

is received after the issue of a writ of election for an election in an electoral division shall have his registration cancelled or his overseas polling station changed for an election in that electoral division until after nomination day or, if a poll is to be taken, until after polling day of that election.

Forms

8.—(1) The forms in the Schedule shall be —

- (a) provided by the Registration Officer from his office at the Elections Department at 11 Prinsep Link, Singapore 187949 during such hours as his office is open for business;
- (b) provided by the officer in charge of the register at any overseas registration centre; and
- (c) set out on the Registration Officer's Internet website at http://www.elections.gov.sg.

(2) The forms in the Schedule shall be completed in the English language and in accordance with such directions as accompany the respective form or by the Registration Officer.

(3) Where strict compliance with any form in the Schedule is not possible, the Registration Officer may allow for the necessary modifications to be made to that form, or for the requirements of that form to be complied with in such other manner as the Registration Officer thinks fit.".

Amendment of Schedule

5. The Schedule to the principal Regulations is amended by deleting the Form and substituting the following Forms:

"FORM 1

Regulations 4(1) and 8

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APPLICATION TO BE OVERSEAS ELECTOR

	From:	
To: Registration Officer Elections Department 11 Prinsep Link Singapore 187949 SINGAPORE http://www.elections.gov.sg	Name of Applicant Overseas Address	
PART I		
1. PERSONAL PARTICULARS		
NAME:		
DATE OF BIRTH	NRIC NO.	
	*	
Day Month Year	*S or T Ref	
2. CORRESPONDENCE PARTICULARS		
Handphone No.:	Fax No.:	
Telephone No.:	E-mail:	

PART II

3. APPLICATION TO BE AN OVERSEAS ELECTOR

I wish to apply to be registered as an overseas elector. I am currently not residing in Singapore but have resided in Singapore for an aggregate of 30 days during the period of 3 years immediately preceding _______ viz. the prescribed date referred to in section 5 of the Parliamentary Elections Act (Cap. 218). The periods I resided in Singapore are ______

from _____ to _____

from _____ to _____ from _____ to _____

from to

from ______ to _____

(if space is insufficient, complete by attaching additional paper)

PART III

4. OVERSEAS POLLING STATION

If my application is approved, I wish to vote at

(Select from the list of overseas polling stations which is available on request)

PART IV

5. NOT DISQUALIFIED FROM REGISTRATION

I confirm that -

- (a) I have not done any of the following:
 - (i) acquired or applied to acquire by registration, naturalisation or other voluntary and formal act (other than marriage) the citizenship of any country outside Singapore;
 - (ii) voluntarily claimed and exercised any rights available to me under the law of any country outside Singapore being rights accorded exclusively to the citizens or nationals of that country, such as voting at any national, state or provincial election, or at any election for the local government of any metropolitan or urban area, of a foreign state or territory;
 - (iii) taken any oath or made any declaration or acknowledgment of allegiance, obedience or adherence to any foreign power or state; or
 - (iv) applied to the authorities of a place outside Singapore for the issue or renewal of a passport or used a passport issued by such authorities as a travel document;
- (b) I am not serving a sentence of imprisonment (by whatever name called) imposed by any court in or outside Singapore for an offence punishable with imprisonment for a term exceeding 12 months, or under sentence of death imposed by any such court or serving a sentence of imprisonment awarded in lieu of execution of any such sentence;
- (c) I have not been found or declared to be of unsound mind under any written law;
- (d) I am not incapable of being registered by reason of a conviction of a corrupt or illegal practice under the Parliamentary Elections Act (Cap. 218) or the Presidential Elections Act (Cap. 240A) or by reason of the report of an Election Judge in accordance with the provisions of the aforementioned Acts or by reason of a conviction under section 55 of the Parliamentary Elections Act or section 37 of the Presidential Elections Act;

- (e) I am not a serving member on full pay of any naval, military or air force not maintained out of moneys provided by Parliament of Singapore unless I possess a domicile in Singapore;
- (f) My name has not been expunged from the register of electors under sections 13(3) and 43(5) of the Parliamentary Elections Act or under section 26(5) of the Presidential Elections Act. If my name has been expunged from the register, I have applied to restore my name to the register under section 43(8) or (8A) of the Parliamentary Elections Act or section 26(8) of the Presidential Elections Act;
- (g) I am not serving a sentence of imprisonment (by whatever name called) in any prison, jail or other place of detention outside Singapore;
- (*h*) I am not accused of an offence against any written law of Singapore punishable with imprisonment for a term exceeding 12 months and there is no warrant of arrest by a court in Singapore authorising my apprehension in relation to that offence in force; and
- (*i*) I have not been convicted by any court in Singapore of any offence punishable with imprisonment for a term exceeding 12 months and there is no warrant of arrest by a court in Singapore authorising my apprehension in relation to that offence in force.

PART V

6. DECLARATION

I, ___

_____, NRIC No. ______ hereby declare that —

- (a) I am the applicant for registration as an overseas elector;
- (b) I am a citizen of Singapore and not less than 21 years of age; and
- (c) the particulars set out in Parts I, II and IV of this application are true, correct and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Date

Signature

FORM 2

Regulations 7(1), (3) and (4) and 8

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APPLICATION TO CANCEL REGISTRATION AS OVERSEAS ELECTOR/ CHANGE ALLOTTED OVERSEAS POLLING STATION/ CHANGE CORRESPONDENCE PARTICULARS

	From:	
To: Registration Officer Elections Department 11 Prinsep Link Singapore 187949 SINGAPORE http://www.elections.gov.sg	Name of Applicant NRIC NO. * *S or T Ref	
PART I		
1. APPLICATION TO CANCEL REGISTRATION AS OVERSEAS ELECTOR		
(tick appropriate box)		
I wish to cancel my registration as an overseas elector.		
PART II		
2. APPLICATION TO CHANGE ALLOTTED OVERSEAS POLLING STATION		
I wish to change my allotted overseas polling station to		
PART III		
3. NOTIFICATION OF CHANGE OF OVERSEAS CORRESPONDENCE PARTICULARS		
My correspondence particulars have been changed as follows:		
Overseas Address:		
Handphone No.:	Fax No.:	
Telephone No.:	E-mail:	

PA	PART IV	
4.	DECLARATION	
	I am the person filing this application, and I declare that the particulars set out in Part III of this application are true.	
	Date	Signature

Made this 2nd day of March 2009.

CHIANG CHIE FOO Permanent Secretary, Prime Minister's Office, Singapore.

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