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## PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS ACT 1954

## PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS (REGISTRATION OF OVERSEAS ELECTORS) REGULATIONS 2023

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In exercise of the powers conferred by section 102 of the Parliamentary Elections Act 1954, the Prime Minister makes the following Regulations:

#### Citation and commencement

**1.** These Regulations are the Parliamentary Elections (Registration of Overseas Electors) Regulations 2023 and come into operation on 1 June 2023.

## Definitions

- 2.—(1) In these Regulations
  - "office", in relation to the Registration Officer, means 11 Novena Rise, Elections Department, Singapore 307516;

"specified website" means the Internet website of the Elections Department at https://www.eld.gov.sg.

- (2) A reference in these Regulations to a numbered Form is
  - (*a*) for the purpose of submitting the Form electronically a reference to the Form with the corresponding number on the specified website; and
  - (b) for any other purpose a reference to the Form with the corresponding number in the Schedule.

## **Overseas registration centres**

**3.** If an overseas registration centre is established under section 10(4) of the Act, the Registration Officer must cause a notice of that fact and the address of the overseas registration centre to be published in any manner and on any media that the Registration Officer thinks fit.

## Inspection of register at overseas registration centres

**4.** A person who wishes to inspect any register of electors at an overseas registration centre must apply to the officer in charge of the register at that overseas registration centre.

#### Application to be registered as overseas elector

**5.**—(1) An application under section 13A(1) of the Act to be registered as an overseas elector must be made in one of the following ways:

- (a) by lodging a duly completed Form R1 in person at
  - (i) the office of the Registration Officer; or
  - (ii) an overseas registration centre;

- (b) by sending a duly completed Form R1 by post to the address of
  - (i) the office of the Registration Officer; or
  - (ii) an overseas registration centre;
- (c) by submitting a duly completed Form R1 using the electronic system provided by the Government for this purpose.
- (2) The Registration Officer may reject the application if
  - (*a*) the application is incomplete or not made in accordance with these Regulations; or
  - (b) the applicant fails to provide any additional information requested by the Registration Officer under section 13A(2)(e) of the Act.

(3) Paragraph (2) does not affect any other ground on which the Registration Officer may reject the application.

(4) The Registration Officer must inform the applicant as soon as practicable of the outcome of the application.

# Application to change overseas polling station or method of voting, etc.

**6.**—(1) An application by an overseas elector under section 13A(3) of the Act must be made in one of the following ways:

- (a) by lodging a duly completed Form R2 in person at
  - (i) the office of the Registration Officer; or
  - (ii) an overseas registration centre;
- (b) by sending a duly completed Form R2 by post to the address of
  - (i) the office of the Registration Officer; or
  - (ii) an overseas registration centre;
- (c) by submitting a duly completed Form R2 using the electronic system provided by the Government for this purpose.

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(2) The Registration Officer may reject the application if it is incomplete or not made in accordance with these Regulations.

(3) The Registration Officer must inform the applicant as soon as practicable of the outcome of the application.

## Notification by postal voter of change of signature

7.—(1) An overseas elector who is designated as a postal voter under section 13A(3A) of the Act must notify the Registration Officer of any change in the signature he or she intends to use for the purposes of the postal voting method.

- (2) The notification must be given in one of the following ways:
  - (a) by lodging a duly completed Form R3 in person at
    - (i) the office of the Registration Officer; or
    - (ii) an overseas registration centre;
  - (b) by sending a duly completed Form R3 by post to the address of
    - (i) the office of the Registration Officer; or
    - (ii) an overseas registration centre;
  - (c) by submitting a duly completed Form R3 using the electronic system provided by the Government for this purpose.

(3) The notification must be given before the start of the specified period of a presidential election or an election, as the case may be.

(4) If the notification is received by the Registration Officer during the specified period of a presidential election or an election, the notification is to be disregarded for the purposes of that presidential election or election.

(5) In this regulation, "specified period" has the meaning given by section 13A(6) of the Act.

# Notification by overseas electors of change of overseas contact particulars

**8.** An overseas elector must notify the Registration Officer of any change in his or her overseas contact particulars in one of the following ways:

- (a) by lodging a duly completed Form R4 in person at
  - (i) the office of the Registration Officer; or
  - (ii) an overseas registration centre;
- (b) by sending a duly completed Form R4 by post to the address of
  - (i) the office of the Registration Officer; or
  - (ii) an overseas registration centre;
- (c) by submitting a duly completed Form R4 using the electronic system provided by the Government for this purpose.

## Completion of forms, etc.

**9.**—(1) This regulation applies to all forms used for the purposes of these Regulations.

(2) A form must be completed in the English language.

(3) A form must be completed in accordance with any instructions —

- (a) in the form;
- (b) by the Registration Officer; and
- (c) if the form is to be submitted on an electronic system on the electronic system.

(4) If strict compliance with a form is not possible, the Registration Officer may allow for necessary modifications to be made to the form, or for the requirements of the form to be complied with in any other manner that the Registration Officer thinks fit.

## Forms to be made available

- 10. The forms in the Schedule must be
  - (a) made available during business hours at
    - (i) the office of the Registration Officer; and
    - (ii) every overseas registration centre; and
  - (b) made available, with any modifications that the Registration Officer thinks fit to make, on the specified website.

## Revocation

**11.** Revoke the Parliamentary Elections (Registration of Overseas Electors) Regulations (Rg 4).

## THE SCHEDULE

#### FORM R1

Regulation 5(1)

#### PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS ACT 1954

## PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS (REGISTRATION OF OVERSEAS ELECTORS) REGULATIONS 2023 APPLICATION TO BE REGISTERED AS OVERSEAS ELECTOR

To: Registration Officer

**Elections Department** 

#### PART 1 — APPLICANT'S PARTICULARS

Full Name:

NRIC No:

### PART 2 — APPLICATION TO BE REGISTERED AS OVERSEAS ELECTOR

- (a) I am applying to be registered as an overseas elector.
- (b) 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 the date of this application.
- (c) If my application is approved, I wish to vote (*tick one only*):
  - $\Box$  by the postal voting method.

 $\Box$  in person at

(Select from the list of overseas polling stations available on the Elections *Department's Internet website at https://www.eld.gov.sg)* 

#### PART 3 — APPLICANT'S OVERSEAS CONTACT PARTICULARS

Overseas correspondence address:

\*Telephone/Handphone No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## PART 4 — APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE (ONLY FOR APPLICATION TO VOTE USING THE POSTAL VOTING METHOD)

I am applying to vote using the postal voting method and I submit my wet-ink signature in the box below which I will use for the purposes of the postal voting method.

#### PART 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;
  - (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 have not been found or declared to be of unsound mind under any written law;
- (c) I am not incapable of being registered by reason of a conviction of a corrupt or illegal practice under the Parliamentary Elections Act 1954 or the Presidential Elections Act 1991, or by reason of the report of an Election Judge in accordance with the provisions of the Parliamentary Elections Act 1954 or the Presidential Elections Act 1991, or by reason of a conviction under section 55 of the Parliamentary Elections Act 1954 or section 37 of the Presidential Elections Act 1991;

- (d) \*I am not a serving member on full pay of any naval, military or air force that is not maintained out of moneys provided by Parliament of Singapore/I am a serving member on full pay of a naval, military or air force that is not maintained out of moneys provided by Parliament of Singapore and I possess a domicile in Singapore;
- (e) \*my name has not been expunged from the register of electors under section 13(3) or 43(5) of the Parliamentary Elections Act 1954/my name was expunged from the register of electors under section 43(5) of the Parliamentary Elections Act 1954 and has been restored to the register under section 43(8) or (8A) of the Parliamentary Elections Act 1954;
- (f) \*my name has not been expunged from the register of electors under section 26(5) of the Presidential Elections Act 1991/my name was expunged from the register of electors under section 26(5) of the Presidential Elections Act 1991 and has been restored to the register under section 26(8) of the Presidential Elections Act 1991;
- (g) 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 a death sentence;
- (*h*) I am not serving a sentence of imprisonment (by whatever name called) in any prison, jail or other place of detention outside Singapore; and
- (*i*) I do not have any warrant of arrest issued against me by a court in Singapore in relation to an offence punishable with imprisonment for a term exceeding 12 months.

#### PART 6 — DECLARATION

I am the person described in Part 1 and I declare that —

- (a) I am a citizen of Singapore and not below 21 years of age; and
- (*b*) all the particulars and information provided in Parts 1 to 5 are true to the best of my knowledge and I have not wilfully suppressed any material fact.

Date

Signature of Applicant

\* Delete whichever is inapplicable.

#### FORM R2

Regulation 6(1)

#### PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS ACT 1954

#### PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS (REGISTRATION OF OVERSEAS ELECTORS) REGULATIONS 2023

### APPLICATION TO CHANGE ALLOTTED OVERSEAS POLLING STATION OR METHOD OF VOTING, OR CANCEL REGISTRATION AS OVERSEAS ELECTOR

To: Registration Officer

Elections Department

#### PART 1 — OVERSEAS ELECTOR'S PARTICULARS

Full Name:

NRIC No:

I am currently registered to vote \*using the postal voting method/in person at the allotted overseas polling station:

*Please tick* ( $\sqrt{}$ ) *in the appropriate box in Part 2, 3 or 4.* 

PART 2 — APPLICATION TO CHANGE ALLOTTED OVERSEAS POLLING STATION

□ I am applying to change my allotted overseas polling station to:

(Select from the list of overseas polling stations available on the Elections Department's Internet website at https://www.eld.gov.sg)

[Note: Please ensure that your overseas contact particulars are updated. If there is a change in your overseas contact particulars, please submit the form "Notification of Change of Overseas Contact Particulars for Overseas Electors" (Form R4).]

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| PART 3 — APPLICATION TO CHANGE METHOD OF VOTING   |                               |
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| □ I am applying to change to vote using the postal voting method.   |                               |
| I submit my wet-ink signature in the box below for the purposes of the postal voting method.  |                               |
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| I am applying to change to vote in person at  |                               |
| (Select from the list of overseas polling stations available on the Elections<br>Department's Internet website at https://www.eld.gov.sg)   |                               |
| PART 4 — APPLICATION TO CANCEL REGISTRATION AS OVERSEAS ELECTOR   |                               |
| □ I am applying to cancel my registration as an overseas elector.   |                               |
| PART 5 — DECLARATION  |                               |
| I am the person described in Part 1 and I declare that all the particulars and information provided in Part 1 (and where applicable, Part 3) are true to the best of my knowledge and I have not wilfully suppressed any material fact. |                               |
| Date * Delete whichever is inapplicable.  | Signature of Overseas Elector |

#### FORM R3

Regulation 7(2)

#### PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS ACT 1954

#### PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS (REGISTRATION OF OVERSEAS ELECTORS) REGULATIONS 2023

#### NOTIFICATION OF CHANGE OF SIGNATURE FOR OVERSEAS ELECTORS REGISTERED AS POSTAL VOTERS

To: Registration Officer

**Elections Department** 

#### PART 1 — OVERSEAS ELECTOR'S PARTICULARS

Full Name:

NRIC No:

## PART 2 — NOTIFICATION OF CHANGE OF SIGNATURE FOR POSTAL VOTING

□ I am currently registered to vote using the postal voting method. My wet-ink signature which I will use for the purposes of the postal voting method have been changed as set out in the box below.

#### PART 3 — DECLARATION

I am the person described in Part 1 and I declare that all the particulars and information provided in Parts 1 and 2 are true to the best of my knowledge and I have not wilfully suppressed any material fact.

Date

Signature of Overseas Elector

#### FORM R4

Regulation 8

#### PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS ACT 1954

#### PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS (REGISTRATION OF OVERSEAS ELECTORS) REGULATIONS 2023

#### NOTIFICATION OF CHANGE OF OVERSEAS CONTACT PARTICULARS FOR OVERSEAS ELECTORS

To: Registration Officer

**Elections Department** 

#### PART 1 — OVERSEAS ELECTOR'S PARTICULARS

Full Name:

NRIC No:

PART 2 — NOTIFICATION OF CHANGE OF OVERSEAS CONTACT PARTICULARS

□ My overseas contact particulars have been changed as follows:

New overseas correspondence address:

New \*Telephone/Handphone No.:

New Email:

[Note: If you wish to change your allotted overseas polling station, please submit the form "Application to Change Allotted Overseas Polling Station or Method of Voting, or Cancel Registration as Overseas Elector" (Form R2).]

#### PART 3 — DECLARATION

I am the person described in Part 1 and I declare that all the particulars and information provided in Parts 1 and 2 are true to the best of my knowledge and I have not wilfully suppressed any material fact.

Date

Signature of Overseas Elector

\* Delete whichever is inapplicable.

Made on 31 May 2023.

LEO YIP Permanent Secretary, Prime Minister's Office, Singapore.

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