

Voting for **Overseas Singaporeans**



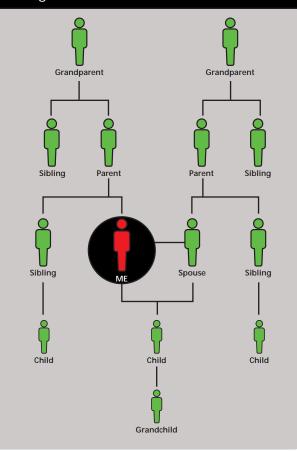
What is a local contact address?

A local contact address is a residential address in Singapore that you register with the ICA **for voting purpose**.

The local contact address must be either :

- (a) the address of any residential property in Singapore which you still own an estate or interest in; or
- (b) the residential address in Singapore of:
 - your spouse, grandparent, parent, sibling, child, grandchild;
 - any grandparent, parent or sibling of your spouse;
 - any sibling of any of your parents or your spouse s parents;
 - any child of any of your siblings or your spouse s siblings.

Acceptable relationships for registration of Local Contact Address





Who can register a local contact address?

If you are a Singapore citizen residing overseas and have changed your NRIC address to an overseas address, you may register a local contact address with ICA.



When will the registers of electors be revised? When is the cut-off date for the revision?

The Elections Department will revise the registers of electors when directed by the Prime Minister to do so. The cut-off date for the revision is currently 1st January of any year. This means that if the registers are revised in 2011, the cut-off date for the revision will be 1st January 2011. However, the cut-off date may be changed by the Prime Minister.

Since it is not known when the registers of electors will be revised and whether the cut-off date will be changed, you are advised to register your local contact address early to ensure that your name can get into a register of electors when the registers are revised. Elections in Singapore are constituency-based. The registers of electors are compiled by constituency. If you are an overseas Singaporean wishing to cast your vote at any of the 9 overseas polling stations, but have changed your NRIC address to an overseas address, you must first register a contact address in Singapore (referred to as "local contact address") with the Immigration & Checkpoints Authority (ICA). Only with this local contact address can your name be entered into the register of electors of a constituency when the registers are revised, and can you then apply for registration as an overseas elector.

To facilitate your registration of a local contact address, the ICA has now made available an electronic service via the Elections Department (ELD)'s website: **www.elections.gov.sg**, whereby you can submit your registration online using your NRIC number and SingPass.

Do register your local contact address early, so that you would not miss out getting your name entered into a register of electors when the registers are revised.

How do I register a local contact address?

You can visit the Elections Department website **www.elections.gov.sg** and log on to the relevant eService using your SingPass to register.

If you are registering the residential address of any person as your local contact address, ICA will write to him/her for confirmation of his/her relationship with you and agreement to allow you to use his/her address as your local contact address.

Your registration will be accepted only when the confirmation of relationship and agreement from the person concerned are received by ICA.

Do I still have to apply for registration as an overseas elector if my name has been entered into a register of electors?

Your local contact address only enables the Elections Department to enter your name into a register of electors. You still have to apply for registration as an overseas elector. You will qualify as an overseas elector if, as on the cut-off date for the registers of electors, you are:

- a Singapore citizen not less than 21 years of age;
- not resident in Singapore but have resided in Singapore for an aggregate of 30 days during the period of 3 years immediately before the cut-off date for the registers of electors.
- * Provided that you are not disqualified to be an elector under any prevailing law.



How do I apply for registration as an overseas elector?

If you have registered a local contact address with ICA, when the registers of electors are revised, you can apply for registration as an overseas elector to vote at any one of the 9 overseas polling stations online via the eService available at the Elections Department website: www.elections.gov.sg.

Registration will be open until such time when the writ for an election is issued. Your registration as an overseas elector will remain valid until the registers of electors are next revised, or until the registration is withdrawn by yourself.



Register your local contact address NOW!

For more information, contact us at:

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