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Registration of the People Act

CAP. 12

REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE (REPRESENTATION OF ELECTORS)(AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS, 2019

The Electoral and Boundaries Commission, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 68 of the *Registration of the People Act*, makes the following Regulations:

1. These Regulations may be cited as the *Representation of the People (Representation of Electors)(Amendment) Regulations, 2019*.
2. *The Representation of the People (Representation of Electors) Regulations, 1990 (S.I. 1990 No. 8), in these Regulations referred to as the principal Regulations, are amended by deleting regulation 31 and substituting the following:*

“31.(1) The Commission shall publish or transmit by means of electronic technology the list by

- (a) making copies available for inspection at the address of the registering officer for the constituency to which the list relates;
- (b) making copies available for inspection at the office of the Commission, post offices, public libraries and police stations as well as any other specified place to which the public has access in the constituency to which the list relates;

- (c) making copies available online for public viewing or inspection; and
 - (d) making copies of the register, revised register or register for elections available for inspection at each electoral revising centre in the constituency to which they relate.
- (2) The Commission shall
- (a) publish in the *Official Gazette* and at the office of the Commission a notice of the location and availability of the list for each constituency; and
 - (b) transmit online by means of electronic technology a notice of the location and availability of the list for each constituency.”.

3. *The principal Regulations are amended by deleting regulation 32 and substituting the following:*

“32. The Commission shall ensure that where a register prepared under section 13 is published or transmitted by means of electronic technology for use at the places specified in regulation 31, that the register shall be kept available for use at each of those places until it is replaced by a new register. ”.

4. *The principal Regulations are amended by deleting regulation 33 and substituting the following:*

“33.(1) The Commission shall ensure that copies of the register shall be given to the Secretary of the Cabinet, Cabinet Office, the Public Librarian, Post Master General and the Commissioner of Police.

(2) The copy of the register and an abstract of the contents of the registers shall be furnished by the Commission, to the Secretary to the Cabinet, Cabinet Office, at such times and in such form and giving such information as the Secretary to the Cabinet may require.

(3) The Public Librarian, Post Master General, and the Commissioner of Police shall make the copies delivered to them available for inspection of the public at public libraries, post offices and police stations respectively.

(4) The Public Librarian, Post Master General, and the Commissioner of Police shall keep available for public inspection the register prepared under section 13 until it is replaced by a new register.

(5) The Commission may supply the copies of the register as required by this Regulation by electronic technology or in such format as the Secretary of the Cabinet, Cabinet Office, Public Librarian, Post Master General and the Commissioner of Police may require.”.

5. *The principal Regulations are amended by deleting regulation 34 and substituting the following:*

“34. The Commission shall supply to any person, on payment of a fee of

(a) \$750 a printed or electronic copy of the Register of Electors in respect of every constituency, containing the names, addresses, electoral numbers or national registration numbers of persons who are ordinarily resident in every constituency and qualified under the Act as electors; or

(b) \$25 a printed or electronic a copy in respect of any constituency contained in the Register of Electors of the

names, addresses, electoral numbers or national registration numbers of persons who are ordinarily resident in that constituency and qualified under the Act as electors. ”.

6. *The principal Regulations are amended by deleting the Second Schedule and substituting the Second Schedule as set out in the Schedule to these Regulations.*

SCHEDULE

(Regulation 6)

“SECOND SCHEDULE

(Regulation 18(5))

Requirements to be met by an applicant seeking to be photographed by an official photographer

1. A person seeking to be registered under the Act shall, as a part of the application process
 - (a)* have his photograph taken by an official photographer; and
 - (b)* comply with the requirements necessary for the official photographer to take his photograph.
2. The photograph will be taken against a background which has a colour or image selected and approved by the Commission.
3. The official photographer taking the photograph shall explain how the photograph will be taken, including information regarding the number of shots to be taken, and the position or direction from which the person will be photographed.
4. The photograph shall be taken, framed and portrayed in such a manner that shows the head and shoulders of the person with the face clearly visible. The face of the person in the photograph shall be clearly discernible from the hairline to the chin, and the photograph shall include the ears of the person.
5. The photograph of the person shall clearly show the centre of the face facing forward and show all the facial features of the person

being photographed such as the forehead, eyebrows, eyes, nose, cheeks, lips, chin and ears.

6. The photograph shall clearly show all the facial features of the person being photographed with no flaws or marks obscuring the face of the person unless the facial flaws or marks are

- (a) a genetic or a birth defect;
- (b) due to illness; or
- (c) a form of permanent cosmetic enhancement.

7. A person must exhibit or show a neutral expression and his mouth shall be closed while being photographed.

8. A person shall not cover his ears with his hair or any other form of covering while being photographed.

9. A person shall not wear a hat, cap, shawl, scarf or any other form of covering for the head or face while being photographed, unless

- (a) the covering is required for medical reasons, and the person has or can produce an instrument in writing to that effect from a registered medical practitioner in Barbados;
- (b) that person is a practicing member of a religion which requires the wearing of a head covering as an expression of the religious faith of that person. In that case the person is permitted to wear a covering for the head, but such a covering must permit the person to be photographed in a manner which will capture the centre of the face from the hairline to the chin, and the photograph shall include the ears of the person; or
- (c) permitted to do so by the Commission.

10. The eyes must be open and clearly visible and there must be no hair or any other thing obscuring the eyes of the person in a photograph.

11. A person who wears prescription spectacles or glasses may be photographed in his prescription spectacles or glasses but the photograph must clearly show the eyes with no light reflecting in the prescription spectacles or glasses. It must be ensured that the spectacles or glasses do not obscure the eyes. The eyes of the person must be clearly seen in the photograph.

12. A person shall not wear tinted spectacles or glasses, shades or any other form of tinted or cosmetic eye covering which obscure or change the colour of the eyes while being photographed.

13. A person shall not wear a garment which does not cover the shoulders while being photographed, as the shoulders of a person must be covered while being photographed .”.

Made by the this day of , 2019.

Chairman

Electoral and Boundaries Commission

