

Parliamentary Elections (Overseas Voting) Regulations 2006

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**PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS ACT
(CHAPTER 218)**

PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS (OVERSEAS VOTING) REGULATIONS 2006

In exercise of the powers conferred by sections 39A and 102 of the Parliamentary Elections Act, the Prime Minister hereby makes the following Regulations:

PART I

PRELIMINARY

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Parliamentary Elections (Overseas Voting) Regulations 2006 and shall come into operation on 19th April 2006.

Definitions

2. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires —

“certified register of electors”, in relation to any electoral division, means the register of electors certified under section 20 of the Act and in operation at the time of the election of a Member to represent the electoral division and includes any composite register prepared under section 20A of the Act for that electoral division;

“counting place for overseas votes” means —

- (a) in the case where section 49A(2) of the Act applies, the place specified by the Returning Officer under section 49A(2A)(b)(ii) of the Act;
- (b) in the case where section 56DA(2) of the Act applies, the place specified by the Returning Officer under section 56DA(5)(b)(iii) of the Act;
- (c) in the case where section 56DB(2) of the Act applies, the place specified by the Returning Officer under section 56DB(5)(b)(ii) of the Act; or
- (d) in any other case, the place or places directed by the Returning Officer under section 48A(2) of the Act;

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“independent candidate” means a candidate who is not a candidate for a political party;

“list of overseas electors”, in relation to any overseas polling station, means the list referred to in regulation 8(2)(d) showing the overseas electors allotted to vote at that overseas polling station;

“notice of contested election”, in relation to any electoral division, means the notice issued under section 34(6) or 34A(6), as the case may be, of the Act in relation to that electoral division;

“official languages” means Malay, Mandarin, Tamil and English;

“overseas election officer” means —

- (a) any Assistant Returning Officer assigned to an overseas polling station;
- (b) any presiding officer, clerk, interpreter, information officer or other officer authorised by the Returning Officer or Assistant Returning Officer to perform duties in connection with the conduct of a poll at an overseas polling station; or
- (c) any person appointed by an Assistant Returning Officer or presiding officer under regulation 4(4) or 5(5), as the case may be, to act for that Assistant Returning Officer or presiding officer, as the case may be, at any overseas polling station,

but does not include any candidate or any election agent or polling agent of a candidate;

“polling day”, in relation to any election in an electoral division or any general election, means the day specified in a notice of contested election as the date on which the poll for that election or general election, as the case may be, is to be taken in Singapore;

“presiding officer” includes a senior presiding officer and an Assistant Returning Officer who presides at any overseas polling station;

“responsible officer”, in relation to a political party, means —

- (a) in the case of a political party that is a body corporate, the secretary or other similar officer of the body corporate; and
- (b) in the case of a political party that is an unincorporated association, the secretary of the committee of the unincorporated association or the person holding a position analogous to that of the secretary,

and includes any person purporting to act in any such capacity or who is carrying out the duties of any such office referred to in paragraph (a) or (b) where the office is vacant.

Inconsistency between Act and these Regulations

3.—(1) Any poll (including an advance poll) at an overseas polling station shall be conducted in the manner prescribed in these Regulations and where not so prescribed, in the same manner as that in which voting at a polling station within Singapore on polling day is conducted.