STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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DEVOLUTION, WALES

The Wales Act 2017 (Consequential and Saving Provisions) Regulations 2018

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The Secretary of State makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 69(2) and 70(2) of the Wales Act 2017(**1**).

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Wales Act 2017 (Consequential and Saving Provisions) Regulations 2018 and come into force on 1st April 2018.

Representation of the People (England and Wales) Regulations 2001

2.—(1) The Representation of the People (England and Wales) Regulations 2001(**2**) are amended as follows.

(2) In regulation 26 (applications for registration)—

(a) in paragraph (9) for the words from the beginning to "Cabinet Office" substitute "Where, by virtue of arrangements made by the Minister for the Cabinet Office, an application under paragraph (1) may be made through the digital service, the Minister";

(b) for paragraph (10) substitute—

"(10) Where an application in pursuance of an overseas elector's declaration under paragraph (1) is made through the digital service, a registration officer may, but need not, accept it."

(**1**) 2017 c. 4.
(**2**) S.I. 2001/341, relevant amending instruments are S.I.s 2013/3198 and 2016/997.

Police and Crime Commissioner Elections Order 2012

3. The Police and Crime Commissioner Elections Order 2012(**3**) is amended as follows.

4. In article 2 (interpretation)—

(a) for the definition of "register of electors" substitute—

""register of electors" means—

(a) in relation to a PCC election in England the register of local government electors(**4**);

(b) in relation to a PCC election in Wales—

(i) the register of parliamentary electors, excluding any entry included in pursuance of an overseas elector's declaration(**5**); and

(ii) in the case of peers disqualified from voting as an elector at parliamentary elections and relevant citizens of the Union(**6**) who will have attained the age of 18 on the date of the poll, the register of local government electors;";

(b) omit the definition of "relevant citizen of the Union".

5. In Schedule 2 (absent voting in PCC elections)—

(a) in paragraph 3(4)(a) and (b) after "a person" insert "who is registered in the register of electors and";

(b) in paragraph 4(2)(a) and (3)(a) after "the persons who" insert "are registered in the register of electors and";

(c) in paragraphs 5(3)(b) and 6(3)(b) omit "for any area of Great Britain or Northern Ireland.".

6. In rule 70 (forms) of Schedule 3 (rules for conduct)—

(a) in the English version of Form 6 (nomination of candidates)—

(i) for "We, the undersigned, being persons entitled to vote at local government elections" substitute "We, the undersigned, being persons entitled to vote at Police and Crime Commissioner elections";

(ii) for "We the undersigned being local government electors" substitute "We the undersigned being Police and Crime Commissioner electors";

(iii) in paragraph 7 for sub-paragraph (a) substitute—

"(a) means a person who, on the last day for the publication of notice of the Police and Crime Commissioner election, is registered in the register of electors in relation to a Police and Crime Commissioner election in respect of an address that is within the police area in question; and";

(iv) in paragraph 8 for "in the register of local government electors" substitute "in the register of electors in relation to a Police and Crime Commissioner election";

(b) in the Welsh version of Form 6 (Ffurflen 6) (Enwebu ymgeiswyr)—

(i) for "Rydym ni, sydd wedi llofnodi isod," where it first appears, to "ar gyfer ardal heddlu *[rhowch enw'r ardal heddlu*]" substitute—

(**3**) S.I. 2012/1917, relevant amending instruments are S.I.s 2014/921 and 2016/300.
(**4**) There is a definition of local government elector in section 76 of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 (c. 13).
(**5**) There is a definition of overseas elector's declaration in section 102 of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 (c. 13).
(**6**) There is a definition of relevant citizens of the Union in section 102 of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 (c. 13).