Draft Regulations laid before Parliament under section 201(2) of the Representation of the People Act 1983, for approval by resolution of each House of Parliament.

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REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE

The Representation of the People (Form of Canvass) (England and Wales) Regulations 2006

Made - - - -	*Date*
Coming into force - -	*Date*

These Regulations are made in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 10(4), 53 and 201(1) and (3) of, and paragraph 10(2) of Schedule 2 to, the Representation of the People Act 1983(**1**), having regard to the definition of "prescribed" in section 202(1) of that Act.

The Secretary of State has consulted the Electoral Commission about these Regulations in accordance with section 7(1) and (2)(e) of the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000(**2**).

A draft of this instrument has been laid before and approved by resolution of each House of Parliament.

Accordingly, the Secretary of State makes the following Regulations:

Citation, commencement and extent

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Representation of the People (Form of Canvass) (England and Wales) Regulations 2006 and shall come into force on the fourteenth day after the day on which they are made.

(2) These Regulations do not extend to Scotland or Northern Ireland.

(**1**) 1983 c.2; section 10 was substituted by paragraph 4 of Schedule 1 to the Representation of the People Act 2000 (c.2) ("the 2000 Act"); section 53 was amended by paragraph 13 of Schedule 4 to the Representation of the People Act 1985 (c.50) and paragraph 13 of Schedule 1 to the 2000 Act; section 201(3) was inserted by paragraph 21 of Schedule 1 to the 2000 Act and amended by paragraph 6 of Schedule 21 to the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 (c.41); paragraph 10 of Schedule 2 was substituted by section 9 of the 2000 Act.

(**2**) 2000 c. 41.

Revocation

2. The Representation of the People (Form of Canvass) (England and Wales) Regulations 2004(**3**) are revoked.

Prescribed form

3. The form set out in Part 1 of the Schedule to these Regulations is prescribed for use for the purposes of the canvass which is required to be conducted by section 10 of the Representation of the People Act 1983.

Amendment of provision about applications

4.—(1) In regulation 26(6) of the Representation of the People (England and Wales) Regulations (applications for registration)(**4**) for "Part II of the Schedule to the Representation of the People (Form of Canvass) (England and Wales) Regulations 2004" substitute "Part 2 of the Schedule to the Representation of the People (Form of Canvass) (England and Wales) Regulations 2006".

(2) Part 2 of the Schedule has effect.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

Name
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State
Department for Constitutional Affairs

Date

(**3**) S.I. 2004/1848.
(**4**) S.I. 2001/341, as amended by S.I. 2001/1700, 2002/881, 2002/1871, 2004/294 and 2006/752; regulation 26(6) was inserted by S.I. 2002/1871 and amended by S.I 2004/1848.