



## THE ELECTORAL REGULATIONS 1981, AMENDMENT NO. 5

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PAUL REEVES, Governor-General

### ORDER IN COUNCIL

At Wellington this 24th day of March 1986

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to the Electoral Act 1956, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, hereby makes the following regulations.

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#### ANALYSIS

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#### REGULATIONS

**1. Title and commencement**—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Electoral Regulations 1981, Amendment No. 5, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Electoral Regulations 1981\* (hereinafter referred to as the principal regulations).

(2) These regulations shall come into force on the 7th day of April 1986.

\*S.R. 1981/296

Amendment No. 1: S.R. 1982/25  
 Amendment No. 2: S.R. 1983/256  
 Amendment No. 3: S.R. 1984/19  
 Amendment No. 4: S.R. 1984/160

**2. Combination of exercise of Maori option with roll revision**—(1) The principal regulations are hereby amended by inserting, after regulation 3A (as inserted by regulation 2(1) of the Electoral Regulations 1981, Amendment No. 1), the following regulation:

“3B. Every notice under section 43B of the Act shall be in form 3B.”

(2) The Schedule to the principal regulations is hereby amended by inserting, after form 3A (as inserted by regulation 2(2) of the Electoral Regulations 1981, Amendment No. 1), the form 3B set out in the Schedule to these regulations.

**3. Inquiry about qualification for late enrolment**—(1) Regulation 10 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by revoking subclause (1), and substituting the following subclause:

“(1) Where any person applies for registration as an elector after writ day but before polling day in respect of any election (not being an application to which section 2(3) or section 2(4) of the Act applies), the following provisions of this regulation shall apply.”

(2) Regulation 10(4) of the principal regulations is hereby amended by revoking paragraph (a), and substituting the following paragraph:

“(a) That the applicant—

    “(i) Attained the age of 18 years after the 32nd day before writ day; and

    “(ii) Is eligible for registration pursuant to section 50 of the Act; or”.

**4. Forms**—(1) The Schedule to the principal regulations is hereby further amended by revoking form 1 (as substituted by regulation 2 of the Electoral Regulations 1981, Amendment No. 3), form 3, form 6, and form 12 (as substituted by regulation 5 of the Electoral Regulations 1981, Amendment No. 4), and substituting the forms 1, 3, 6, and 12 set out in the Schedule to these regulations.

(2) The Schedule to the principal regulations is hereby further amended by omitting from form 16 the words “3 months”, and substituting the words “1 month”.

**5. Revocations**—The following regulations are hereby consequentially revoked, namely:

(a) Regulation 3 of the Electoral Regulations 1981, Amendment No. 1:

(b) The Electoral Regulations 1981, Amendment No. 3:

(c) Regulation 5(2) of, and the Schedule to, the Electoral Regulations 1981, Amendment No. 4.

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SCHEDULE

Regs. 2 (2), 4 (1)

NEW FORMS 1, 3, 3B, 6, and 12

Reg. 3 (1)

Form 1

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION AS AN ELECTOR

[This is a 2 page form which may be printed on one piece of paper with perforations between page 1 and page 2.]

Front of Page 1 of Form 1

**Parliamentary  
Electoral Roll**

***Application for registration as an elector***

(Note: your registration details will be available to your local authority for inclusion on its roll.)

To:

applicant's name

***Acknowledgement***

I have received your application. The Registrar of Electors will write to you when your application has been dealt with.

for Post Office

[ ]

[ ] date stamp

Please hand in your completed card at any Post Office

If you have any questions about this card, or need help, Post Office staff will assist you.

## Information for Electors

### Registration compulsory

If you are qualified to register as an elector of an electorate, the law requires you to do so.

### Qualifications

You are qualified to register if you—

- (a) Are a New Zealand citizen or a permanent resident of New Zealand (see definition below); and
- (b) Are 18 years of age or over; and
- (c) Have at some time resided continuously in New Zealand for 1 year or longer; and
- (d) Are not disqualified under the Electoral Act 1956.

Your electorate will be the last in which you have resided continuously for 1 month or, if you have never resided continuously in any one electorate for 1 month, the one in which you now reside or have last resided.

### Permanent Resident of New Zealand

For electoral purposes a person is a permanent resident of New Zealand if, and only if, that person—

- (a) Resides in New Zealand; and
- (b) Is not a prohibited immigrant or a person obliged, by or pursuant to any Act, to leave New Zealand immediately or within a specified time.

### Disqualifications

You are NOT qualified to register if you—

- (a) Are a New Zealand citizen who (not being a public servant on duty or a member of the family of a public servant on duty) is outside New Zealand and has not been in New Zealand within the last 3 years; or
- (b) Are a permanent resident of New Zealand who (not being a public servant on duty or a member of the family of a public servant on duty) is outside New Zealand and has not been in New Zealand during the last 12 months; or
- (c) Are detained under the Criminal Justice Act 1985 as either a special or committed patient in a hospital under the Mental Health Act 1969; or
- (d) Are detained, because of a conviction, in a penal institution or a hospital under the Mental Health Act 1969; or
- (e) Are named on an electoral Corrupt Practices List.

### Truth

You must satisfy yourself that the statements in the application are true.

### Signing the application

You MUST sign the card YOURSELF unless you are physically disabled. Only if you are physically disabled, may the application be signed on your behalf—

- (a) By a person who holds a power of attorney from you and who indicates on the form that you are a physically disabled person; or
- (b) By a registered elector who signs by your direction and who indicates on the form—
  - (i) That you are a physically disabled person; and
  - (ii) That the form is being signed by your direction.

### Change of address

Every time you change your address, you must give your new address to the Registrar of Electors. Change of address forms are kept at every Post Office.

## New Zealand Maori Option



- If you are a New Zealand Maori or a descendant of a New Zealand Maori, you may have the option of choosing between a General electorate or a Maori electorate. Everyone else must register for a General electorate.
- The option is available to you if—
  - (a) You have never registered as an elector before; or
  - (b) You were not registered as an elector on [Insert date] and you have not registered since.
- If you have since [Insert date] registered for any Maori electorate or any General electorate, you cannot, until [Insert year], change the type of electorate for which you chose to be registered.

## He huarahi rehitā pooti e tuhera atu ana ki te iwi Maori tuturu o Aotearoa ake nei

- Mehemea koe he tangata Maori no Aotearoa tuturu, a, he uri tutu iho ranei koe no tera momo, ka tuhera te huarahi pooti ki a koe, ara ki tetahi rohe pooti o to hiahia, ara, Rohe Pooti Whanui (General Electorate), Rohe Pooti Maori ranei. Ko etahi atu hunga me rehitā rawa mo tetahi Rohe Pooti Whanui (ara, General Electorate).
- Kei te tuhera atu tenei huarahi ki a koe mehemea:—
  - (a) Kahore koe ano kia rehitā pooti i mua atu, a,
  - (b) Kahore koe rehitā pooti i te ra [Insert date], a, mai i taua wa kaore ano koe kia rehitā noa.
- Mehemea koe i rehitā mo tetahi rohe pooti, ahakoa Rohe Pooti Maori, Rohe Pooti Whanui ranei, i muri mai i te ra [Insert date], e kore rawa koe e ahei ki te whakarereke, ki te whakawhiti ranei, i te wahanga o to rohe pooti o naianei, a, ma te tae rawa ki te tau [Insert year].

Please give  
your names.



Please give  
your present  
residential  
address



If your postal  
address is  
different from  
the above,  
please  
show:—



Your age and  
telephone  
number will  
not be shown  
on the  
published roll.



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*Front*CONFIRMATION OF YOUR REGISTRATION AS A PARLIAMENTARY  
ELECTOR

Your name is on a General [*or Maori*] roll, the roll for the [*Insert name of electorate*].

Please read the message on the back of this card.

[*Insert name and address of elector*].

*Back*

Confirmation of your registration as a Parliamentary  
Elector.

- You are now registered as an elector of the electorate shown on the front of this card, in accordance with the details supplied by you.
- Every time you change your address, you must give your new address to the Registrar of Electors. Change of address forms are kept at every Post Office.
- Your registration details will be available to your local authority for inclusion on its roll.
- Please keep this card—it is a record of your registration as a Parliamentary elector.

Registrar of Electors.

New Zealand Maori people please note

- Your type of roll, General or Maori, is shown on the front of this card.
- Your next opportunity to choose the type of roll for which you are registered will be in [*Insert year*].

Ki nga Maori tuturu o Aotearoa, kia mahara

- Ko te momo rarangi ingoa pooti kei runga nei to ingoa, ara, te Rarangi Whanui, te Rarangi Maori ranei, kei te tua o te kaari nei e whakaatu ana.
- Kaore koe e ahei ki te whakawhiti mai i tetahi o nga momo rarangi ingoa nei ki tetahi atu o nga momo rarangi ingoa nei, kia tae rawa ano ki te tau [*Insert year*].

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# [Insert year] Parliamentary Electoral Roll Revision

To the Elector, from the Registrar of Electors.

Please read carefully both this card and the information booklet. Then fill in the card.

This card is needed for the revision of the electoral rolls. Also, if you are a New Zealand Maori or a descendant of a New Zealand Maori, this card lets you choose, before [Insert date], the type of roll (Maori or General) you want to be on. The next time you may choose will be in [Insert year].

When you have filled in the card, post it back in the envelope provided.

If you do not do this, your name may be removed from the Electoral Roll.

If you need help, ask at any Post Office. PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Your name is on the roll for this electorate:

Your full names and postal address are recorded as:

Your residential address is recorded as:

Your occupation is recorded as: (this may be printed in shortened form)

Your date of birth (which will NOT be shown on the published roll) is recorded as:

Are the details in panel 1 correct? - answer YES or NO here ▶

If the answer is NO, turn the card over.

Are the details in panel 2 correct? - answer YES or NO here ▶

If the answer is NO, turn the card over.

Are the details in panel 3 correct? - answer YES or NO here ▶

If the answer is NO, turn the card over.

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MB

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## NZ Maori People only

Before [Insert date] you may choose whether you want to be on a Maori roll or on a General roll.

At the moment you are on a ▶ roll.

Please choose now, by putting in the box below, either the word Maori or the word General.

I am a New Zealand Maori or a descendant of a New Zealand Maori and I want to be on a ▶ roll.

## All Electors

You must now sign and date the card yourself, but if you are physically disabled and can not do so, the information booklet tells you what to do.

I have checked the details on this card and they are now correct.

signature

date

My contact telephone number is ▶

Now that you have signed and dated this card, please post it today in the envelope provided.

If you do not do this, your name may be removed from the Electoral Roll.

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ROLL REVISION AND MAORI OPTION  
Form 3B  
Front



You have said that some of the details on the other side of this card are not correct. Now, please show below, the correct details.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

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Form 3b—continued  
 ROLL REVISION AND MAORI OPTION—continued  
 Back

**My correct details are:**

Surname

Given or christian names

Postal address

.....

**My correct residential address is:**

flat/house no. ....

street/road .....

suburb .....

town/city/locality .....

If this is a New Zealand address, follow this line

If this is an overseas address, follow this line

**My correct details are:**

Occupation

Date of Birth

(This will NOT be shown on the published roll)

People overseas — before you fill in this part, please read of the information booklet.

When were you last in NZ?      /      /

When did you move overseas?      /      /

Before you moved overseas, what was your last residential address in NZ?

flat/house no. ....

street/road .....

suburb .....

town/city/locality .....

How long were you there? from      /      /      to      /      /

People with a changed New Zealand residential address

Have you lived at the new address for the last month?

Answer YES or NO here ►

If NO, please answer the questions below.

When did you move there?      /      /

Before that, what was your last residential address?

flat/house No. ....

street/road .....

suburb .....

town/city/locality .....

How long were you there? from      /      /      to      /      /



*Parliamentary Electors:*

*Inquiry about Qualification for Late Enrolment*

Dear Applicant

I received your application for registration as an elector of the (Note 1) electorate AFTER the time set by law for the closing of the rolls.

Except where the law allows late registration, the rolls are now closed.

The law allows late registration only if you qualify for registration as an elector of the district AFTER (Note 2). The attached reply shows the cases in which you can qualify for late registration. If any one of these applies to you, please complete the statement by filling in the correct date. The reply must also be signed and dated.

If I am satisfied on the return of the enclosed form that you are entitled to register late, I shall send you written confirmation of your registration as a Parliamentary elector. As your name will not appear on the printed roll, you should show the written confirmation when you attend to vote. If you have not received your confirmation by polling day, you may still cast a special vote.

I must receive your reply not later than (Note 3) to determine whether you are entitled to register late.

Yours faithfully,

Registrar of Electors.

*[The attached reply shall be in the following form]*

To the Registrar of Electors

From *[Full Name]*

of *[Present residential address]*

I believe I am entitled to register late for the reason I have stated below.

**RECENT CHANGE OF ADDRESS**

I moved to my present residential address on / / .

Late registration is allowed if you moved after (Note 4).

**RECENT RETURN FROM OVERSEAS**

*New Zealand Citizens*

I returned to New Zealand on / / following an absence of at least 3 years. The address in respect of which I was qualified to be registered at the time of my departure from New Zealand is *[Insert full residential address]*.

Late registration is allowed if you returned to New Zealand after (Note 2)

Form 12—continued

Permanent Residents

I returned to New Zealand on / / following an absence of at least 12 months. The address in respect of which I was qualified to be registered at the time of my departure from New Zealand is [Insert full residential address].

Late registration is allowed if you returned to New Zealand after (Note 2).

NEW IMMIGRANTS (NEW ZEALAND CITIZENS OR PERMANENT RESIDENTS)

I arrived in New Zealand on / / .

Late registration is allowed if you arrived after (Note 5).

I became a New Zealand citizen or permanent resident on / / .

Late registration is allowed if you became a New Zealand citizen or permanent resident after (Note 2).

OTHER REASONS

I was not previously qualified to be registered because of my detention in an institution from which I was released or discharged on / / .

Late registration is allowed if you were released or discharged after (Note 2).

My name was removed from a Corrupt Practices List maintained under the Electoral Act 1956 on / / .

Late registration is allowed if your name was removed from a Corrupt Practices List after (Note 2).

.....  
Signature

/ /  
Date

NOTES

1. Insert the name of electoral district.
2. Insert date fixed by reference to section 50 (2) of the Electoral Act 1956.  
Under that subsection late enrolment is permitted if the applicant becomes qualified for registration after the 32nd day before writ day. Accordingly if, for example, 14 November 19 were writ day, the day to be inserted here would be 13 October 19 .
3. Insert the date of the ninth day after polling day.
4. Here insert the date which is one month before the date inserted under Note 2. Accordingly if, for example, that date were 13 October 19 , the date to be inserted here would be 13 September 19 .
5. Here insert the date which is 1 year before the date inserted under Note 2. Accordingly if, for example, that date were 13 October 1990, the date to be inserted here would be 13 October 1989.

P. G. MILLEN,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*This note is not part of the regulations, but is intended to indicate their general effect.*

These regulations, which come into force on 7 April 1986, prescribe for the purposes of the Electoral Act 1956, the following new forms:

- (a) Form 1: Application for registration as an elector:
- (b) Form 3: Notice of registration as an elector:
- (c) Form 3B: Roll revision and Maori option:
- (d) Form 6: Parliamentary Electoral roll: Change of electorate:
- (e) Form 12: Parliamentary electors: Inquiry about qualification for late enrolment.

The new forms reflect changes made to the Electoral Act 1956 by the Electoral Amendment Act 1985 and the Electoral Amendment Act (No. 2) 1985.

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