



**THE GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS (STAFF) REGULATIONS
1953, AMENDMENT NO. 36**

DAVID BEATTIE, Governor-General

ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Government House at Wellington this 7th day of December 1981

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to the Government Railways Act 1949, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, hereby makes the following regulations.

REGULATIONS

1. Title and commencement—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Government Railways (Staff) Regulations 1953, Amendment No. 36, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Government Railways (Staff) Regulations 1953* (hereinafter referred to as the principal regulations).

(2) These regulations shall come into force on the day after the date of their notification in the *Gazette*.

2. Interpretation and election of members—(1) Regulation 85 (12) of the principal regulations is hereby amended by omitting the expression “60 days”, and substituting the expression “70 days”.

(2) Regulation 85 of the principal regulations is hereby further amended by revoking subclause (13), and substituting the following subclause:

“(13) Every nomination of a candidate for any election shall be made in writing by 3 or more members in the same voting list as the candidate and

*S.R. 1953/34 (Reprinted with Amendments Nos. 1 to 33: S.R. 1973/108)
Amendment No. 34: S.R. 1977/86
Amendment No. 35: S.R. 1981/57

shall bear the written consent of the candidate. Every such nomination shall reach the Returning Officer at Wellington no later than the 40th day before the day prescribed for the ballot for the election. Any nomination which does not comply with the requirements of this clause shall be null and void. Every nomination shall be accompanied by information relating to—

“(a) The candidate’s railway service record; and

“(b) The candidate’s service organisation record as an elected official at branch or national level (if any); and

“(c) The candidate’s Government Railways Appeal Board experience (if any),—

and a copy of such information shall be supplied with each ballot paper.”

(3) Regulation 85 of the principal regulations is hereby further amended by revoking subclause (19), and substituting the following subclause:

“(19) No member shall in any case be compelled to record his vote, and, except as provided in subclause (13) of this regulation, no member shall be canvassed for votes, nor shall any candidate or any other person attempt by circular or otherwise howsoever to influence voters in their voting. If any breach of the provisions of this subclause is committed, the Minister may declare the candidate by whom or on whose behalf or in whose interest the canvass or attempt to influence voters as aforesaid has been made to be disqualified for election unless, the offender being a person other than the candidate, it is proved to the satisfaction of the Minister that the candidate was not in any way privy to and did not instigate or in any way approve of or countenance the breach.”

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 amend the provisions regarding the election of members to the Appeal Board—

- (a) To provide for the General Manager to notify all members of a forthcoming ballot 70 days before the date of the ballot instead of 60 days; and
- (b) To enable specified information to be supplied by all candidates to the General Manager, who shall pass on the information to all members with the ballot papers.

Issued under the authority of the Regulations Act 1936.

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These regulations are administered in the New Zealand Government Railways Department.