

3. The Returning Officer shall prepare and from time to time amend the rolls, either on his own motion or pursuant to any claim or objection, by entering thereon or removing therefrom the name of any elector of whose qualification or want of qualification, as the case may be, he is satisfied, and by otherwise correcting any error in any such roll: Provided that the validity of any election shall not be questioned on the ground that a name wrongly appears in a roll or has been omitted therefrom.

4. Any person possessing qualifications for more than one roll shall notify the Returning Officer of the roll on which he desires his name to appear, and if he fails to give such notification the Returning Officer shall himself determine the matter.

5. Any person possessing the necessary qualification may make a claim for enrolment on any roll or for transfer from one roll to another, on receipt of which claim the Returning Officer shall forthwith inquire into and dispose of it in the necessary manner: Provided that no transfer shall be made on the ground of change of residence unless the elector has resided for at least three months in the Island to the roll of which he claims to be transferred.

6. For every election the rolls shall be closed on the day on which nominations close, and shall remain closed until the election is completed.

7. Any person may, by notice to the Returning Officer at any time other than that during which the rolls are closed, object to any roll on some specified ground, and the Returning Officer shall forthwith after the receipt of any such objection inquire into and dispose of the same.

8. Every ordinary election shall be held on the second Monday in May in every year in which an ordinary election is held, and the election to any extraordinary vacancy shall be held on a date to be fixed by the Returning Officer, being not later than the sixtieth day after the vacancy occurs.

9. Not later than forty days before any election the Returning Officer shall by advertisement publicly notify in respect of the election—

(a.) The day on which the election will be held, and the hour at which the poll will be closed;

(b.) The number of vacancies to be filled;

(c.) The class or classes of electors entitled to vote;

(d.) The day and hour up to which nominations will be received and when the rolls connected with the election will be closed, being not more than twenty days before the day of election.

10. Such advertisement shall be published in the *New Zealand Gazette*, and not less than three times in such newspapers circulating in the chief towns of each of the provincial districts of the North Island or the South Island, or of both, as the case may require.

11. No person shall be eligible for election unless he is nominated in writing by at least two electors entitled to vote for his election.

12. Every nomination-paper shall be in the form or to the effect following:—

GENERAL COUNCIL OF EDUCATION.

NOMINATION PAPER.

WE [Names and addresses], being electors duly entered on the [Name of roll] Roll for the election of members of the General Council of Education, do hereby nominate [Nominee's name and address] as a candidate for election to the said Council by the electors on the aforesaid roll at the election to be held on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_.

Dated at \_\_\_\_\_, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_.

[Signatures of Nominators.]

Candidate's consent, to be subscribed at foot of nomination-paper:—

I hereby consent to my nomination—

Dated at \_\_\_\_\_, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_.

[Signature of candidate nominated.]

13. If the nomination-paper does not bear the written consent of the candidate nominated, such consent may be given by him to the Returning Officer before the nominations are closed, and any nomination-paper shall be void if the consent of the candidate nominated therein is not duly given as aforesaid.

14. If at any election any candidate is nominated by more than one class of electors, he shall, before the day of the election, notify the Returning Officer as to the seat on the Council he desires to hold in the event of his receiving votes qualifying him for more seats than one; or if he fails to duly give such notification the Returning Officer shall himself, before the close of the poll, determine the seat which such candidate shall hold in such event as aforesaid, and shall post to him a written notification thereof. In any case to which this regulation applies the votes recorded for an elected candidate in the election for any other seat or seats for which he was a candidate shall not be counted.