
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2020 No. 635

**The Local Elections (Northern
Ireland) (Amendment) Order 2020**

Amendment of rule 10 (decisions as to validity of nomination papers)

5. In rule 10 (decisions as to validity of nomination papers)(1)—
- (a) in paragraph (1)—
 - (i) after “consent to it” insert “, and its accompanying home address form,”,
 - (ii) after the “or” at the end of sub-paragraph (a) insert—
 - “(aa) the returning officer decides that the home address form—
 - (i) does not comply with rule 5(5); or
 - (ii) if the form contains a statement under rule 5(6), does not comply with the requirement in that rule for a signature or with rule 5(7); or”,
 - (b) in paragraph (3), after “nomination paper” insert “or home address form”,
 - (c) for paragraph (4) substitute—
 - “(4) Paragraph (4A) applies if the returning officer—
 - (a) decides that a nomination paper is invalid; or
 - (b) decides that a home address form—
 - (i) does not comply with rule 5(5); or
 - (ii) if the form contains a statement under rule 5(6), does not comply with the requirement in that rule for a signature or with rule 5(7).
 - (4A) The returning officer must endorse and sign on the paper or form that fact and the reasons for the returning officer’s decision.”.