
SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2021 No. 49

**The Health Protection (Coronavirus)
(Restrictions and Requirements) (Miscellaneous
Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2021**

Amendment to regulation 2: interpretation

3. In regulation 2(1) (interpretation)—

(a) after the definition of “contact sport”, insert—

““electoral registration officer” means an officer appointed under section 8(3) of the Representation of the People Act 1983(1),”

(b) after the definition of “remand centre”, insert—

““returning officer” means an officer who is—

- (a) appointed by, or by an order under, section 25 of the Representation of the People Act 1983(2),
- (b) appointed under section 41(1) of the Representation of the People Act 1983,
- (c) a constituency returning officer appointed by or under an order under section 12(1) of the Scotland Act 1998(3), or
- (d) a regional returning officer appointed by an order under section 12(6) of the Scotland Act 1998(4).”

(1) [1983 c.2](#). Section 8(3) was substituted by schedule 13, paragraph 130(2) of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act [1994 \(c.39\)](#) (“the 1994 Act”).

(2) Section 25 was amended by schedule 13, paragraph 130(3) and schedule 14 of the 1994 Act.

(3) [1998 c.46](#) (“the 1998 Act”). Section 12 was substituted by section 4(1) of the Scotland Act [2016 \(c.11\)](#), [S.S.I. 2015/425](#) (“the Order”) was made under section 12(1) of the 1998 Act. Article 14(b) of the Order confers a power on the Scottish Ministers to, by Order, direct that persons are to be constituency returning officers for constituencies situated in more than one local government area. [S.S.I. 2016/9](#) was made under article 14(b) of the Order and article 4 of [S.S.I. 2016/9](#) designates persons to be constituency returning officers.

(4) Article 3 of [S.S.I. 2016/9](#) designates persons to be regional returning officers.