## DRAFT STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 2002 No.

## Representation of the People (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Regulations 2002

## Amendment of provision about applications

- **10.**—(1) Regulation 26 of the 2001 Regulations (applications for registration) is amended as follows.
- (2) In paragraph (1) for "shall state" substitute "("an application for registration") shall, in addition to the requirements of section 10A(1A) and 13A(2A) of that Act(1), state".
  - (3) At the end of paragraph (1) insert:
    - "(f) in the case of an applicant who wishes his name and address to be omitted from the edited version of the register, that request".
- (4) In paragraph (2) for the word "application", in the first place where it occurs, substitute "declaration".
  - (5) In paragraph (3) for "under this regulation" substitute "for registration".
  - (6) In paragraph (4) omit the words "signed and".
  - (7) After paragraph (5) insert:
    - "(6) Where the registration officer provides the form on which an application for registration is made, the form of words in Part II of Schedule 2 to the Representation of the People (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Regulations 2002 must form part of, or accompany, the application form.
    - (7) Where an application for registration is made otherwise than on a form provided by the registration officer, that officer must on or before the determination of the application send to the applicant the form of words referred to in paragraph (6) above and request the applicant to state within the period of 21 days of the date of that request if he wishes his name and address to be excluded from the edited version of the register.
    - (8) Where an applicant has not replied to the registration officer within the period of 21 days of the date when the registration officer issued the request under paragraph (7), the registration officer shall assume that the applicant does not request his name and address to be excluded from the edited version of the register.
    - (9) Where an applicant has replied making such a request within that period, the request shall be treated as part of the application for registration.".