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Local Elections (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Order 2002

Absent votes for an indefinite period at local election

- 11.—(1) Paragraph 1 of Part I of Schedule 2 to the 1985 Order(1) is amended as follows.
- (2) For the word "and" after sub-paragraph (1)(b) there is substituted—
 - "(ba) the application states the applicant's date of birth and the Chief Electoral Officer is satisfied that the date stated corresponds with the date supplied as the date of the applicant's birth pursuant to section 10(4A)(b), 10A(1A)(b) or 13A(2A)(b) of the 1983 Act (as applied by Schedule 1 to the 1989 Act);
 - (bb) the application is signed and (unless section 10(4B), 10A(1B) or 13A(2B) of the 1983 Act, as applied by Schedule 1 to the 1989 Act, applies) the Chief Electoral Officer is satisfied that the signature on the application corresponds with the signature supplied as the applicant's signature pursuant to section 10(4A)(a), 10A(1A)(a) or 13A(2A)(a) of the 1983 Act (as so applied),
 - (bc) the application either states the applicant's national insurance number or states that he does not have one and the Chief Electoral Officer is satisfied as mentioned in subparagraph (1A), and".
- (3) After sub-paragraph (1) there is inserted—
 - "(1A) For the purposes of sub-paragraph (1)(bc), the Chief Electoral Officer must be satisfied
 - (a) if the application states a national insurance number, that the requirements of subparagraph (1B) are met, or
 - (b) if the application states that the applicant does not have a national insurance number, that no such number was supplied as his national insurance number pursuant to section 10(4A)(c)(i), 10A(1A)(c)(i) or 13A(2A)(c)(i) of the 1983 Act (as applied by Schedule 1 to the 1989 Act).
 - (1B) The requirements of this sub-paragraph are met if
 - (a) the number stated as mentioned in sub-paragraph (1A)(a) is the same as the one supplied as the applicant's national insurance number pursuant to section 10(4A) (c)(i), 10A(1A)(c)(i) or 13A(2A)(c)(i) of the 1983 Act (as applied by Schedule 1 to the 1989 Act), or
 - (b) no national insurance number was supplied under any of those provisions, but the Chief Electoral Officer is not aware of any reason to doubt the authenticity of the application.".
- (4) Omit sub-paragraph (2)(aa)(2).

⁽¹⁾ Part 1 of Schedule 2 was substituted by Schedule 2 to the Local Elections (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Order 1987. (S.I.1987/168)

⁽²⁾ Paragraph 1(2)(aa) was inserted by article 5 of S.I. 1991/1715.

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