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## NURSES AND MIDWIVES

**The General Nursing Council (Election Scheme Amendment)  
Rules, Approval Instrument 1974**

<i>Made</i> - - - -	28th February 1974
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>	11th March 1974
<i>Coming into Operation</i>	1st April 1974

The Secretary of State for Social Services, in exercise of powers conferred by section 32(1) of the Nurses Act 1957(a), and now vested in him(b), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby approves the rules made by the General Nursing Council for England and Wales as set out in the Schedule hereto.

This Instrument may be cited as the General Nursing Council (Election Scheme Amendment) Rules, Approval Instrument 1974, and shall come into operation on 1st April 1974.

*Keith Joseph,*  
Secretary of State for Social Services.

28th February 1974.

## SCHEDULE

 THE GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR ENGLAND AND WALES  
THE NURSES ACTS 1957 TO 1969

The General Nursing Council for England and Wales, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 1 and 30 of, and paragraph 4 of Schedule 1 to, the Nurses Act 1957, as amended by section 4 of the Nurses (Amendment) Act 1961(c) and section 10(1) of, and paragraph 12 of Schedule 1 to, the Nurses Act 1969(d) and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following Rules:—

*Citation and interpretation*

1.—(1) These Rules may be cited as the General Nursing Council (Election Scheme Amendment) Rules 1974.

(2) In these Rules “the principal rules” means the General Nursing Council (Election Scheme) Rules 1969(e).

(3) The rules for the construction of Acts of Parliament contained in the Interpretation Act 1889(f) shall apply for the purposes of the interpretation of these Rules as they apply for the purposes of the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

(a) 1957 c.15.  
(d) 1969 c.47.

(b) S.I. 1968/1699 (1968 III, p.4585).  
(e) S.I. 1969/1676 (1969 III, p.5280).

(c) 1961 c.14.  
(f) 1889 c.63.

*Amendment of the Schedule to the principal rules*

2.—(1) The Schedule to the principal rules shall be amended in accordance with the following provisions of this rule.

(2) For paragraph 1(2) there shall be substituted the following paragraph:—

“(2) The expression “areas determined by the Secretary of State” means the fourteen regions determined by the National Health Service (Determination of Regions) Order 1973(a) and Wales, being the areas determined by the Secretary of State for Social Services under the powers conferred on him by paragraph 2(2)(a) of Schedule 1 to the Nurses Act 1957 as substituted by section 2(3) of the Nurses Act 1969.”

(3) In the Table in paragraph 3(1) and in the Table in the Appendix, for the first entry in the first column, which relates to the number of persons to be elected in the case of the election of registered general nurses, there shall be substituted in each case the following entry:—

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(one from each one of the 15 areas determined by the Secretary of State, being the 14 regions for which a Regional Health Authority is constituted under the National Health Service Reorganisation Act 1973 and Wales), viz:—

- |                             |                          |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Northern Region          | 9. Wessex Region         |
| 2. Yorkshire Region         | 10. Oxford Region        |
| 3. Trent Region             | 11. South Western Region |
| 4. East Anglia Region       | 12. West Midlands Region |
| 5. North West Thames Region | 13. Mersey Region        |
| 6. North East Thames Region | 14. North Western Region |
| 7. South East Thames Region | 15. Wales”               |
| 8. South West Thames Region |                          |

(L.S.)

*M.J.D. Cooper,*  
Chairman of the Council.

The seal of the General Nursing Council for England and Wales was hereunto affixed on 21st February 1974.

*Eve R. D. Bendall,*  
Registrar.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This Note is not part of the Instrument.)*

The Rules approved by this Instrument give effect to a Determination by the Secretary of State amending the areas for which registered general nurses are elected to the General Nursing Council for England and Wales, such amendment being consequential upon the reorganisation of the National Health Service.



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