INSTRUMENTS STATUTORY

1975 No. 167

NURSES AND MIDWIVES

The General Nursing Council (Election Scheme Amendment) Rules, Approval Instrument 1975

Made -12th February 1975 Laid before Parliament 20th February 1975 Coming into Operation . 13th March 1975

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 her(b), and of all other powers enabling her in that behalf, hereby approves the rules made by the General Nursing Council for England and Wales as set out in the Schedule

This Instrument may be cited as the General Nursing Council (Election Scheme Amendment) Rules, Approval Instrument 1975, and shall come into operation on 13th March 1975.

> Barbara Castle, Secretary of State for Social Services.

12th February 1975.

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 1975.

(a) 1957 c. 15. (c) 1961 c. 14.

(b) S.I. 1968/1699 (1968 III, p. 4585). **(d)** 1969 c. 47.

- (2) In these Rules "the principal rules" means the General Nursing Council (Election Scheme) Rules 1969(a), as amended (b).
- (3) The rules for the construction of Acts of Parliament contained in the Interpretation Act 1889(c) 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.

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) In paragraph 6(4), for the words from "Each elector" to the end of that subparagraph there shall be substituted the words-
 - "Where a person is qualified to vote for candidates of more than one class she shall be entitled to receive one ballot paper in respect of the election for each class for which she is qualified to vote. Votes shall not be given except upon the ballot papers provided by the Returning Officer.'
- (3) In paragraph 6(5), after the words "securely fasten the same", there shall be inserted the words-
 - "Where an elector is qualified to vote for candidates of more than one class she shall use only one identification envelope and shall enclose in that envelope every ballot paper that she has marked."
- (4) For Form E of the Appendix, which relates to the form of the identification envelope, there shall be substituted the following Form:-

"FORM E (Form of Identification Envelope)

(Identification Envelope)

I, the undersigned, hereby declare that I am the person to whom the enclosed ballot paper/s is/are addressed below, that I am a Nurse registered and/or enrolled as shown below, and that I have not marked any ballot paper in this election other than that/those enclosed in this envelope.

(Signature)"

(L.S.)

Norman Barry, Chairman of the Council.

The seal of the General Nursing Council for England and Wales was hereunto affixed on 11th February 1975.

> Eve R. D. Bendall, Registrar.

⁽a) S.I. 1969/1676 (1969 III, p. 5280).
(b) The amending Rules are not relevant to the subject matter of these Rules.
(c) 1889 c. 63.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Instrument.)

The Rules approved by this Instrument amend the General Nursing Council (Election Scheme) Rules 1969, so as to enable nurses who are qualified to vote for candidates of more than one class to enclose more than one ballot paper in a single identification envelope.

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