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POLITICAL PARTIES, ENGLAND AND WALES

DONATIONS

**The Political Donations and Regulated Transactions
(Anonymous Electors) (England and Wales) Regulations 2006**

<i>Made</i> - - - -	<i>10th November 2006</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>	<i>16th November 2006</i>
<i>Coming into force</i> - -	<i>1st January 2007</i>

The Secretary of State in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by section 65(2A) of, paragraphs 2(3B), (3C), 3(2), (3) of Schedule 6, paragraph 2(3) of Schedule 6A, paragraph 10(4A) of Schedule 7, paragraph 10(4) of Schedule 11 and paragraph 10(4) of Schedule 15 to, the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000(a), makes the following Regulations:

Citation, commencement and extent

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Political Donations and Regulated Transactions (Anonymous Electors) (England and Wales) Regulations 2006 and shall come into force on 1 January 2007.

2. These Regulations do not extend to Scotland or Northern Ireland.

Evidence of anonymous registration

3. The evidence prescribed for the purposes of section 65(2A) of, paragraphs 2(3B), (3C), 3(2), (3) of Schedule 6, paragraph 2(3) of Schedule 6A, paragraph 10(4A) of Schedule 7, paragraph 10(4) of Schedule 11 and paragraph 10(4) of Schedule 15 to, the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 is a certificate of anonymous registration issued pursuant to regulation 45E of the Representation of the People (England and Wales) Regulations 2001(b).

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

10th November 2006

Bridget Prentice
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State
Department for Constitutional Affairs

(a) 2000 c. 41; subsection (2A) of section 65, paragraphs 2(3B) and (3C), 3(2) and (3) of Schedule 6, paragraph 10(4A) of Schedule 7, paragraph 10(4) of Schedule 11 and paragraph 10(4) of Schedule 15 were inserted by paragraphs 24 to 30 of Schedule 1 to the Electoral Administration Act 2006 (c.22); Schedule 6A was inserted by section 61(5) of the Electoral Administration Act 2006.

(b) S.I. 2001/341 amended by S.I. 2006/2910; there are other amending instruments but none are relevant.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

Political donations may only be accepted from an individual if that person is registered in an electoral register. Similarly, a registered political party may only enter into a regulated transaction (as defined by section 71F of the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 (c. 41)) with an individual if that individual is registered in an electoral register. These Regulations prescribe the form of evidence required to establish that a donor who has an anonymous entry in an electoral register is indeed a registered elector.

Regulation 3 states that the prescribed form of evidence is a certificate of anonymous registration issued pursuant to regulation 45E of the Representation of the People (England and Wales) Regulations 2001 (S.I. 2001/341).

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