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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2014 No. 1808**

**The Representation of the People (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Regulations 2014**

**Amendment of the Representation of the People (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2008**

**4. After regulation 26 insert—**

**“Reminders to persons who have an anonymous entry**

**26A.**—(1) This regulation applies to a person (“P”) who has an anonymous entry in the register of parliamentary or local electors.

(2) Subject to paragraph (3), the registration officer must, during the relevant period, send to P a reminder that P’s entitlement to be registered will terminate on the determined date and that—

- (a) if P wishes to remain entered in the register anonymously after that date, P must make a fresh application for an anonymous entry under section 9B(1)(b) of the 1983 Act<sup>(1)</sup>;
- (b) if P wishes to remain entered in the register without an anonymous entry, P must make a fresh application for registration under section 10A(1)(a) of the 1983 Act<sup>(2)</sup>.

(3) Paragraph (2) does not apply (or ceases to apply) where the registration officer has received from P a fresh application for an anonymous entry under section 9B(1)(b) of the 1983 Act.

(4) In this regulation—

“the determined date” is the date on which P’s entitlement to remain registered will terminate under section 9C(1A) of the 1983 Act<sup>(3)</sup>;

“the relevant period” is the period beginning six months before the determined date and ending three months before that date.”.

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(1) Sections 9B and 9C were inserted by section 10 of the Electoral Administration Act 2006 (c. 22), amended by paragraphs 7 and 8 of Schedule 4 to the Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013 (c. 6), extended to Northern Ireland by article 2 of S.I. 2014/1116, and amended by article 3 of that instrument.

(2) Section 10A was inserted by paragraph 4 of Schedule 1 to the Representation of the People Act 2000 (c. 2). Section 10A(1A) and (1B) were inserted by section 1 of the Electoral Fraud (Northern Ireland) Act 2002 (c. 13). Other amendments to section 10A are not relevant.

(3) Section 9C(1A) was inserted by article 3 of S.I. 2014/1116.