
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2015 No. 654

**REPRESENTATION OF THE
PEOPLE, ENGLAND AND WALES**

**The Representation of the People (Combination of Polls)
(England and Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2015**

Made - - - - *9th March 2015*

Coming into force - - *7th May 2015*

The Lord President of the Council, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 15(5) of the Representation of the People Act 1985⁽¹⁾ and sections 9HE(1)(a), (2)(d) and (3)(a), 9MG(2) to (4) and 44(1)(a), (2)(d) and (3)(a) of the Local Government Act 2000⁽²⁾, makes the following Regulations.

The Lord President of the Council has consulted the Electoral Commission as required by sections 9HE(4) and 44(3A)⁽³⁾ of the Local Government Act 2000 and section 7(1) and (2)(e) of the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000⁽⁴⁾.

Having regard to section 27(2) of the Representation of the People Act 1985 and in accordance with section 201(2) of the Representation of the People Act 1983⁽⁵⁾ and section 105(6)⁽⁶⁾ of the Local Government Act 2000, a draft of this instrument has been laid before, and approved by a resolution of, each House of Parliament.

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- (1) [1985 c.50](#). The power conferred on the Secretary of State by section 15(5) was made exercisable concurrently by the Lord President of the Council and the Secretary of State by the Lord President of the Council Order 2010 ([S.I. 2010/1837](#)).
- (2) [2000 c.22](#). Sections 9HE and 9MG were inserted by section 21 of and paragraph 1 of Schedule 2 to the Localism Act 2011 ([c.20](#)). The powers conferred on the Secretary of State were made exercisable concurrently by the Lord President of the Council and the Secretary of State by [S.I. 2010/1837](#) and the Transfer of Functions (Elections and Referendums) Order 2013 ([S.I. 2013/2597](#)).
- (3) Section 44(3A) was inserted by the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 ([c.41](#)), Schedule 21, paragraph 18(1) and (2).
- (4) [2000 c.41](#).
- (5) [1983 c.2](#). Section 201(2) was substituted by section 24 of and paragraph 69 of Schedule 4 to the Representation of the People Act 1985 and amended by section 158 of and paragraph 6 of Schedule 21 to the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 and [S.I. 1991/222](#).
- (6) Section 105(6) was amended by section 100 of and paragraphs 11 and 14 of Schedule 3 to the Local Government Act 2003 ([c.26](#)) and sections 22 and 237 of, paragraphs 8 and 70 of Schedule 3 to, paragraphs 7 and 52 of Schedule 4 to, and Schedule 25 to the Localism Act 2011.