
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2015 No. 692

The Scotland Act 1998 (Modification of Schedules 4 and 5 and Transfer of Functions to the Scottish Ministers etc.) Order 2015

Functions shared by the Scottish Ministers and a Minister of the Crown

5.—(1) The functions described in paragraph (3) are exercisable by the Scottish Ministers concurrently with a Minister of the Crown, so far as they are exercisable by the Minister of the Crown in or as regards Scotland.

(2) Those functions are exercisable by the Scottish Ministers—

- (a) only with the agreement of a Minister of the Crown; and
- (b) only in order to give effect to provision reducing the minimum voting age to 16 at elections to the Scottish Parliament or local government elections (or both).

(3) The functions are those conferred by the following enactments—

- (a) section 53(1) and (3) of the Representation of the People Act 1983⁽¹⁾;
- (b) paragraphs 1A, 3ZA and 8C of Schedule 2 to that Act⁽²⁾,

so far as relating to the use of the digital service for applications for registration or for verifying information contained in applications for registration.

(4) In this article “digital service” has the meaning given by regulation 3(1) of the Representation of the People (Scotland) Regulations 2001, as that regulation had effect on the date on which this Order came into force.

(1) 1983 c. 2. Section 53(1)(a) was amended by paragraph 13(a) of Schedule 1, and Part 1 of Schedule 7, to the Representation of the People Act 2000 (c. 2). Section 53(1)(b) was substituted by paragraph 13(b) of Schedule 1 to that Act. Section 53(3) was amended by paragraph 13(b) of Schedule 4 to the Representation of the People Act 1985 (c. 50).

(2) Paragraph 1A of Schedule 2 was inserted by paragraph 2 of Schedule 2 to the Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013 (c. 6). Paragraph 3ZA of Schedule 2 was inserted by section 2(3) of the Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013. Paragraph 8C of Schedule 2 was inserted by paragraph 3 of Schedule 2 to the Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013.