
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2021 No. 52

**The Local Government and Police and Crime Commissioner
(Coronavirus) (Postponement of Elections and Referendums)
(England and Wales) (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2021**

**Amendment of the Local Government and Police and Crime Commissioner (Coronavirus)
(Postponement of Elections and Referendums) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020**

3. In regulation 12 of the Local Government and Police and Crime Commissioner (Coronavirus) (Postponement of Elections and Referendums) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020⁽¹⁾, for paragraph (3) substitute—

“(3) Regulation 9 of the 2011 Regulations (validity of petitions) is to be read during the relevant period as if that period were to be disregarded for the purposes of calculating the period of 12 months mentioned in paragraph (5) of that regulation.

(3A) Subject to paragraph (3B), for the purposes of the 2011 Regulations a petition presented to, or received by, a local authority on any day during the period beginning with 16th March 2020 and ending with 8th February 2021 is to be treated as having been presented or received on 9th February 2021.

(3B) In relation to a petition mentioned in paragraph (3A), for the purposes of satisfying himself or herself of the validity of the petition in accordance with regulations 9 (validity of petitions) and 11 (procedure on receipt of petition) of the 2011 Regulations, the proper officer must use the version of the electoral register (or versions of the registers) which had effect for the area on the day during the period beginning with 16th March 2020 and ending with the 8th February 2021 on which the petition was presented to the authority.”.