
WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2021 No. 1459 (W. 374)

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT, WALES
REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE, WALES**

The Local Elections (Principal Areas) (Wales) Rules 2021

Made - - - - 15 December 2021

Coming into force - - 17 December 2021

The Welsh Ministers, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 36A(1), (2), (4), (5) and (9) of the Representation of the People Act 1983⁽¹⁾ and section 26(2) of the Welsh Language Act 1993⁽²⁾, make the following Rules.

In accordance with section 36A(7) of the Representation of the People Act 1983, the Welsh Ministers have consulted such persons as they considered appropriate.

In accordance with section 36A(10) of the Representation of the People Act 1983, a draft of this instrument has been laid before and approved by a resolution of Senedd Cymru⁽³⁾.

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Rules applied (with modifications) (10.3.2022) by [S.I. 2007/236, Sch. 4 Pt. 3](#) (as substituted by [The Local Elections \(Miscellaneous and Consequential Amendments\) \(Wales\) Regulations 2022 \(S.I. 2022/263\), reg. 1\(2\), Sch. 3 para. 4](#) (with reg. 12(f))

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- (1) [1983 c. 2](#). Section 36A was inserted by section 13(3) of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 ([asc 1](#)).
- (2) [1993 c. 38](#). Functions of the Secretary of State, so far as exercisable in relation to Wales, were transferred to the National Assembly for Wales by the National Assembly for Wales (Transfer of Functions) Order 1999 ([S.I. 1999/672](#)), article 2 and Schedule 1. Those functions were subsequently transferred to the Welsh Ministers by virtue of paragraph 30 of Schedule 11 to the Government of Wales Act 2006 ([c. 32](#)). See also section 59A of, and Schedule 3A to, the Government of Wales Act 2006. The power to make an order under section 26(2) of the Welsh Language Act 1993 may be exercised to make rules by virtue of section 39 of the Legislation (Wales) Act 2019 ([anaw 4](#)).
- (3) See also section 40 of the Legislation (Wales) Act 2019 for provision about the procedure that applies to this instrument.

Changes to legislation:

There are outstanding changes not yet made by the legislation.gov.uk editorial team to The Local Elections (Principal Areas) (Wales) Rules 2021. Any changes that have already been made by the team appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Instrument associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Instrument (including any effects on those provisions):

- Sch. 1 rule 22(3A) inserted by [S.I. 2023/1064 rule 3\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 1 rule 28(1A) inserted by [S.I. 2023/1064 rule 3\(4\)\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 1 rule 31(7)(aa) inserted by [S.I. 2023/1064 rule 3\(5\)\(c\)](#)
- Sch. 1 rule 32(9A) inserted by [S.I. 2023/1064 rule 3\(6\)\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 1 rule 32(12) inserted by [S.I. 2023/1064 rule 3\(6\)\(d\)](#)
- Sch. 1 Pt. 4A inserted by [S.I. 2023/1064 rule 4\(2\)](#)
- Sch. 1 Appendix 2A inserted by [S.I. 2023/1064 Sch. 1](#)
- Sch. 1 Appendix 4A inserted by [S.I. 2023/1064 Sch. 2](#)
- Sch. 1 Appendix 5A inserted by [S.I. 2023/1064 Sch. 3](#)
- Sch. 1 Appendix 6A inserted by [S.I. 2023/1064 Sch. 4](#)
- Sch. 1 rule 21(2) substituted by [S.I. 2023/1064 rule 3\(2\)](#)
- Sch. 1 rule 22(3) words inserted by [S.I. 2023/1064 rule 3\(3\)\(a\)](#)
- Sch. 1 rule 32(11) words inserted by [S.I. 2023/1064 rule 3\(6\)\(c\)](#)
- Sch. 1 rule 62(2)(c) words inserted by [S.I. 2023/1064 rule 5\(a\)](#)
- Sch. 1 rule 62(2)(d) words inserted by [S.I. 2023/1064 rule 5\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 1 rule 28(1)(b) words substituted by [S.I. 2023/1064 rule 3\(4\)\(a\)](#)
- Sch. 1 rule 31(4) words substituted by [S.I. 2023/1064 rule 3\(5\)\(a\)](#)
- Sch. 1 rule 31(6)(a) words substituted by [S.I. 2023/1064 rule 3\(5\)\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 1 rule 32(9) words substituted by [S.I. 2023/1064 rule 3\(6\)\(a\)](#)
- Sch. 2 rule 22(3A) inserted by [S.I. 2023/1064 rule 7\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 2 rule 28(1A) inserted by [S.I. 2023/1064 rule 7\(4\)\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 2 rule 31(8)(aa) inserted by [S.I. 2023/1064 rule 7\(5\)\(c\)](#)
- Sch. 2 rule 32(11A) inserted by [S.I. 2023/1064 rule 7\(6\)\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 2 rule 32(13A) inserted by [S.I. 2023/1064 rule 7\(6\)\(d\)](#)
- Sch. 2 Pt. 4A inserted by [S.I. 2023/1064 rule 8\(2\)](#)
- Sch. 2 Appendix 2A inserted by [S.I. 2023/1064 Sch. 5](#)
- Sch. 2 Appendix 4A inserted by [S.I. 2023/1064 Sch. 6](#)
- Sch. 2 Appendix 5A inserted by [S.I. 2023/1064 Sch. 7](#)
- Sch. 2 Appendix 6A inserted by [S.I. 2023/1064 Sch. 8](#)
- Sch. 2 rule 21(2) substituted by [S.I. 2023/1064 rule 7\(2\)](#)
- Sch. 2 rule 22(3) words inserted by [S.I. 2023/1064 rule 7\(3\)\(a\)](#)
- Sch. 2 rule 32(13) words inserted by [S.I. 2023/1064 rule 7\(6\)\(c\)](#)
- Sch. 2 rule 66(2)(c) words inserted by [S.I. 2023/1064 rule 9\(a\)](#)
- Sch. 2 rule 66(2)(d) words inserted by [S.I. 2023/1064 rule 9\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 2 rule 28(1)(b) words substituted by [S.I. 2023/1064 rule 7\(4\)\(a\)](#)
- Sch. 2 rule 31(4) words substituted by [S.I. 2023/1064 rule 7\(5\)\(a\)](#)
- Sch. 2 rule 31(6)(a) words substituted by [S.I. 2023/1064 rule 7\(5\)\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 2 rule 32(11) words substituted by [S.I. 2023/1064 rule 7\(6\)\(a\)](#)
- Sch. 2 rule 54(3) words substituted by [S.I. 2023/1064 rule 11](#)