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Representation of the People Acts **VOTER REGISTRATION FORM**

Only one applicant per form please. If more forms are needed, please photocopy or contact your local electoral registration office or visit our website at www.ayrshire-vjb.gov.uk
Please use **CAPITAL LETTERS**

1. ABOUT YOU

Surname

First names (in full)

Your Nationality: I am a citizen of _____
This is the country which has (or would) issue your passport

If you are age 18 or over please tick this box

If you are age 16 or 17 please give your date of birth

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2. YOUR PRESENT ADDRESS

I apply to be registered at the following address, at which I am now living

Postcode: _____

3. PREVIOUS ADDRESS

I used to live at this address but no longer live here

Postcode: _____

If you previously lived in the UK were you registered to vote? Yes No

Local Council Area if known? _____

Your name will be taken off the register for your previous address. However, if you believe you should still also be registered at your old address, please state why:

4. EDITED REGISTER – see notes

Tick here if you do not want your details to be available on the edited register for general sale

5. POSTAL / PROXY VOTING – see notes

If you would like to apply for a postal vote please tick here

Information relating to voting by proxy (someone else voting on your behalf) is available from our office

6. DECLARATION

Each applicant must sign his or her own form. If it is not signed, the form will be returned to you. It is an offence to make a false statement on this form; the maximum fine is £5,000.

As far as I know, the details on this form are true and accurate. I am a British, Commonwealth, Irish or a citizen of another European Union country.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

In case there is something in this form which is not clear, it would be helpful to have your daytime telephone number and or e-mail address. You do not have to give this information if you do not wish to.

Telephone No.: _____ E-mail address: _____

Notes & Helpful Information

Registering to Vote

You can only vote in elections if your name is on the register of electors.

Moved Home?

Coming up to 18?

Just not on the register?

All you have to do is fill in a voter registration form. **You have to sign your own form**; someone else cannot do it for you.

When you send us your form we will add your name to our list of new applicants. Any elector can then object to your name being added to the register. If this happens we will write to you.

If your application is valid and not objected to, we will change your details within 2 to 6 weeks of receiving your form.

The two versions of the register

The electoral registration officer makes and keeps two versions of the electoral register - the full register and the edited register.

Please indicate on your application if you wish your name to be excluded from the edited register which is available for general sale

The full register

The full register lists everyone who is entitled to vote. You can check it by calling at the electoral registration office, council offices, or at local libraries. Only certain people and organisations can have copies of the full register, and they can only use it for specified purposes. These include electoral purposes, the prevention and detection of crime and checking your identity when you have applied for credit. The law says who can have a copy of the full register and what they can use it for. The full list of such persons and purposes is given in the Representation of the People (Scotland)(Amendment) Regulations 2002. It is a criminal offence for them to pass it on to anyone else or to use it for any other purpose.

The edited register

The edited register leaves out the names and addresses of people who have asked for their names to be excluded from that version of the register. The edited register can be bought by anyone who asks for a copy and they may use it for any purpose.

Notifying the previous Electoral Registration Officer

We will tell the Electoral Registration Officer for your former address that you have moved, so that your name can be removed from that register. If you do not want your name to be removed from your other address please explain why on this form

There are special rules about names being added to the voters' list during an election period. Because of these you may not be able to vote at that election if you are added during this time. If you would like more information please contact your local Electoral Registration Officer.

Postal or Proxy voting

Most people vote at elections by going to a polling station. However it is possible instead to cast an 'absent' vote, that is, the voter does not have to be physically present at a polling station to vote. There are two ways of doing this, by post or by appointing someone else (a proxy) to vote on your behalf.

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO:

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E-Mail: avjb@south-ayrshire.gov.uk Web Site: www.ayrshire-vjb.gov.uk