
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2016 No. 295

The Recall of MPs Act 2015 (Recall Petition) Regulations 2016

PART 4

ABSENT SIGNERS

CHAPTER 2

Applications for Absent Signing

Appeals: Northern Ireland

76.—(1) An appeal lies to the county court from any decision under these Regulations of the Chief Electoral Officer for Northern Ireland refusing a person's application—

- (a) to sign a petition by post or proxy under regulation 52(1) or 54(1);
- (b) to sign a petition by post as proxy under regulation 58(5);
- (c) to sign a petition by proxy instead of post or by post instead of proxy under regulation 52(7);
- (d) for a signing sheet to be sent to a different address under regulation 54(4)(a) or 58(8);
- (e) to appoint a proxy under regulation 57(6) and (7).

(2) An appeal to the county court or Court of Appeal by virtue of this regulation which is pending when notice of a petition is given under regulation 14 (notice of petition) does not prejudice the operation as respects the petition of the decision appealed against, and anything done in pursuance of the decision—

- (a) is as good as if no such appeal had been brought, and
- (b) is not affected by the decision of the appeal.

(3) The Chief Electoral Officer for Northern Ireland must make the necessary entries in the record kept under regulation 52(5) and 58(7) as may be required to give effect to that decision.

(4) On any appeal, the Chief Electoral Officer is deemed to be a party to the proceedings and the registration expenses payable to him or her include any expenses properly incurred by virtue of this regulation.

(5) Section 21(1) of the Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954 (rules regulating procedure of courts etc) applies as if the jurisdiction conferred by subsection (1) were conferred by any enactment within the meaning of that Act.

Commencement Information

II Reg. 76 in force at 4.3.2016, see [reg. 1](#)

Changes to legislation:

There are outstanding changes not yet made by the legislation.gov.uk editorial team to The Recall of MPs Act 2015 (Recall Petition) Regulations 2016. 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 :

- Regulations applied by [2022 c. 37 Sch. 11 para. 7\(3\)](#)

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. 3 para. 1(1)(e)(ia) inserted by [S.I. 2020/581 reg. 13\(5\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#)
- Sch. 3 para. 3(1)(b)(v) inserted by [S.I. 2023/1225 reg. 10\(22\)\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 3 para. 1(1)(e)(i) words omitted by [S.I. 2020/581 reg. 13\(5\)\(a\)\(i\)](#)
- reg. 2(2)(aa) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 69\(b\)](#)
- reg. 2(2)(ea) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 69\(c\)](#)
- reg. 2(2)(ia) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 69\(e\)](#)
- reg. 2(2)(ja) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 69\(f\)](#)
- reg. 2(2)(jb)-(je) inserted by [S.I. 2023/1147 reg. 19\(2\)](#)
- reg. 2(2)(ma)-(mc) inserted by [S.I. 2023/1225 reg. 10\(2\)\(a\)\(i\)](#)
- reg. 2(2)(za) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 69\(a\)](#)
- reg. 2(5)(ma)(mb) inserted by [S.I. 2023/1225 reg. 10\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- reg. 17(3)(c) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 71\(b\)](#)
- reg. 18(7)(fa) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 72\(a\)](#)
- reg. 19(3A) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 73\(a\)](#)
- reg. 19(4A) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1309 reg. 12\(1\)\(b\)](#)
- reg. 19(5A) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 73\(b\)](#)
- reg. 20A inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 74](#)
- reg. 22(1)(ba) inserted by [S.I. 2023/1225 reg. 10\(4\)](#)
- reg. 25(3A) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 75\(b\)](#)
- reg. 25(4A)-(4C) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 75\(d\)](#)
- reg. 25(6) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 75\(f\)](#)
- reg. 27(1A)-(1N) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 76\(3\)](#)
- reg. 29(2A) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 77](#)
- reg. 30(7A) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 78](#)
- reg. 30A inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 79](#)
- reg. 33(5)(ea) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 80](#)
- reg. 37(1)(ea) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 81](#)
- reg. 39(3)(e) and word inserted by [S.I. 2023/1225 reg. 10\(5\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#)
- reg. 39(5)(d) and word inserted by [S.I. 2023/1225 reg. 10\(5\)\(b\)\(ii\)](#)
- reg. 43(2)(ba) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 82](#)
- reg. 44(1)(da) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 83](#)
- reg. 45(1A) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 84](#)
- reg. 46(1) reg. 46 renumbered as reg. 46(1) by [S.I. 2020/581 reg. 13\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- reg. 46(2) inserted by [S.I. 2020/581 reg. 13\(2\)\(c\)](#)
- reg. 46(2) words inserted by [S.I. 2023/1225 reg. 10\(6\)](#)
- reg. 51(1A)(1B) inserted by [S.I. 2023/1147 reg. 19\(6\)\(b\)](#)
- reg. 51(1B)(a) words substituted by [S.I. 2023/1406 reg. 13\(3\)\(a\)](#)
- reg. 51(7A) inserted by [S.I. 2023/1147 reg. 19\(6\)\(e\)](#)
- reg. 52(1)(da) inserted by [S.I. 2018/699 reg. 8\(3\)\(a\)\(iii\)](#)
- reg. 52(1A) inserted by [S.I. 2018/699 reg. 8\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- reg. 52(9)(10) inserted by [S.I. 2018/699 reg. 8\(3\)\(c\)](#)
- reg. 52(9)-(9B) substituted for reg. 52(9) by [S.I. 2020/581 reg. 13\(3\)\(a\)](#)

- reg. 52(10) words substituted by S.I. 2020/581 reg. 13(3)(b)
- reg. 54(1)(da) inserted by S.I. 2018/699 reg. 8(4)(a)(ii)
- reg. 54(1A) inserted by S.I. 2018/699 reg. 8(4)(b)
- reg. 54(6)(7) inserted by S.I. 2018/699 reg. 8(4)(c)
- reg. 54(6)-(6B) substituted for reg. 54(6) by S.I. 2020/581 reg. 13(4)(a)
- reg. 54(7) words substituted by S.I. 2020/581 reg. 13(4)(b)
- reg. 57(3)(za) inserted by S.I. 2023/1147 reg. 19(7)(a)
- reg. 57(5)(5A) substituted for reg. 57(5) by S.I. 2023/1147 reg. 19(7)(b)
- reg. 58(6A) inserted by S.I. 2023/1147 reg. 19(8)(a)
- reg. 60(1)(aa) inserted by S.I. 2023/1147 reg. 19(9)(a)
- reg. 60(6A)-(6E) inserted by S.I. 2023/1147 reg. 19(9)(b)
- reg. 63(1A) inserted by S.I. 2023/1147 reg. 19(10)(b)
- reg. 63A inserted by S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 86
- reg. 64(5)(b)(v) and word inserted by S.I. 2022/332 art. 9(2)(b)
- reg. 64(5)(b)(iv) inserted by S.I. 2021/1188 art. 9(3)(c)
- reg. 65(4)(b)(v) and word inserted by S.I. 2022/332 art. 9(3)(b)
- reg. 65(4)(b)(iv) inserted by S.I. 2021/1188 art. 9(4)(c)
- reg. 68(6A) inserted by S.I. 2023/1147 reg. 19(11)
- reg. 69A inserted by S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 88
- reg. 71(2A) inserted by S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 89(3)
- reg. 71(4A)(4B) inserted by S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 89(6)
- reg. 71(4A) words inserted by S.I. 2023/1147 reg. 19(12)(a)
- reg. 71(4C) inserted by S.I. 2023/1147 reg. 19(12)(b)
- reg. 71(8) inserted by S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 89(7)
- reg. 71A inserted by S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 90
- reg. 72A-72C inserted by S.I. 2023/1147 reg. 19(13)
- reg. 72B(5A) inserted by S.I. 2023/1406 reg. 13(5)(a)
- reg. 72B(6) words inserted by S.I. 2023/1406 reg. 13(5)(b)(i)
- reg. 72B(6)(d)(i) words inserted by S.I. 2023/1406 reg. 13(5)(b)(ii)
- reg. 72B(7)(c)(ii)(aa) word inserted by S.I. 2023/1406 reg. 13(5)(c)
- reg. 72B(8) words substituted by S.I. 2023/1406 reg. 13(5)(d)(i)
- reg. 72B(8)(a) words substituted by S.I. 2023/1406 reg. 13(5)(d)(ii)
- reg. 72B(8)(b) words substituted by S.I. 2023/1406 reg. 13(5)(d)(iii)
- reg. 72B(8)(c) words substituted by S.I. 2023/1406 reg. 13(5)(d)(iii)
- reg. 72B(8)(ca) inserted by S.I. 2024/43 reg. 25(2)
- reg. 73(9)-(13) inserted by S.I. 2023/1147 reg. 19(14)(b)
- reg. 73A inserted by S.I. 2023/1147 reg. 19(15)
- reg. 99(2A) inserted by S.I. 2023/1225 reg. 10(7)(c)
- reg. 99A-99D inserted by S.I. 2023/1225 reg. 10(8)
- reg. 102A-102E inserted by S.I. 2023/1225 reg. 10(10)
- reg. 110(6)-(9) inserted by S.I. 2023/1225 reg. 10(12)(c)
- reg. 110A inserted by S.I. 2023/1225 reg. 10(13)
- reg. 112(1)(f) inserted by S.I. 2023/1225 reg. 10(15)(a)
- reg. 112(2)(d) inserted by S.I. 2023/1225 reg. 10(15)(b)
- reg. 115(1)(a)(i) words in reg. 115(1)(a) renumbered as reg. 115(1)(a)(i) by S.I. 2023/1225 reg. 10(17)(b)(ii)(aa)
- reg. 115(1)(a)(ii)(iii) inserted by S.I. 2023/1225 reg. 10(17)(b)(ii)(bb)
- reg. 115(1)(c)(i) words in reg. 115(1)(c) renumbered as reg. 115(1)(c)(i) by S.I. 2023/1225 reg. 10(17)(b)(iii)(aa)
- reg. 115(1)(c)(ii) inserted by S.I. 2023/1225 reg. 10(17)(b)(iii)(bb)
- reg. 115A inserted by S.I. 2023/1225 reg. 10(18)
- reg. 117(ba) inserted by S.I. 2023/1141 reg. 8(2)
- reg. 119(1A) inserted by S.I. 2023/1147 reg. 19(16)(a)
- reg. 122A inserted by S.I. 2023/1225 reg. 10(19)
- reg. 123(4A)-(4F) inserted by S.I. 2023/1225 reg. 10(20)(a)
- reg. 123A inserted by S.I. 2023/1141 reg. 8(3)

– reg. 144(2A) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 91\(b\)](#)