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NODYN ESBONIADOL

(Nid yw'r nodyn hwn yn rhan o'r Rheoliadau)

Mae'r Rheoliadau hyn yn gwneud darpariaeth i gyfyngu, i uchafswm o dair blynedd, y cyfnod y gall person wneud cais i bleidleisio drwy'r post amdano yn etholiadau'r Senedd. Mae darpariaethau hefyd yn darparu ar gyfer gweithredu'r diwygiadau a wneir i Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf Cynrychiolaeth y Bobl 2000 (p. 2) ("Deddf 2000") gan Ddeddf Pleidleisio Absennol (Etholiadau yng Nghymru a'r Alban) 2025 (p. 27) ("Deddf 2025"), sy'n cyfyngu ar y cyfnod y gall person wneud cais i bleidleisio drwy'r post amdano mewn etholiadau llywodraeth leol yng Nghymru.

Mae'r Rheoliadau hyn yn gwneud darpariaeth ar gyfer cyflwyno ar-lein geisiadau pleidleisio absennol datganoledig perthnasol ar gyfer etholiadau'r Senedd ac etholiadau llywodraeth leol yng Nghymru, yn ogystal â gwirhau gwybodaeth a ddarperir yn y ceisiadau hynny (pa un a ydynt yn cael eu cyflwyno ar-lein ai peidio). Mae'r Rheoliadau hefyd yn darparu bod modd i swyddogion cofrestru ofyn am dystiolaeth bellach gan geiswyr i wirhau pwy yw'r ceisydd.

Mae'r Rheoliadau hyn yn gwneud nifer o ddiwygiadau amrywiol i Orchymyn Senedd Cymru (Cynrychiolaeth y Bobl) 2025 (O.S. 2025/864) (Cy. 150) ("Gorchymyn 2025").

Mae Rhan 1 yn gwneud darpariaeth ar gyfer enwi, cychwyn a dehongli'r Rheoliadau hyn.

Mae rheoliad 1 yn dwyn rheoliadau 1, 2 a 29 i 44 i rym ar 24 Mawrth 2026, ac yn dwyn yr holl ddarpariaethau sy'n weddill i rym ar 3 Tachwedd 2026.

Mae rheoliad 2 yn nodi'r diffiniadau sy'n gymwys yn y Rheoliadau.

Mae Rhan 2 yn gwneud darpariaeth sy'n ymwneud â'r cyfyngiadau ar y cyfnod y gall person wneud cais am bleidlais drwy'r post amdano.

Mae rheoliad 5 yn diwygio erthygl 6 (pleidlais absennol yn etholiadau'r Senedd ar gyfer cyfnod penodol neu amhenodol) o Orchymyn 2025, sydd ar hyn o bryd yn caniatáu i geisiadau pleidleisio absennol yn etholiadau'r Senedd gael eu gwneud am gyfnod penodol neu am gyfnod amhenodol. Mae'r diwygiadau'n golygu, yn etholiadau'r Senedd, na fydd yn bosibl mwyach i berson wneud cais am bleidlais drwy'r post am gyfnod amhenodol. O dan y newidiadau, ni chaiff y cyfnod y gall person wneud cais i bleidleisio drwy'r post amdano ar gyfer etholiad i'r Senedd fod yn hwy na thair blynedd. Mae'r diwygiadau'n darparu y bydd y bleidlais drwy'r post am y cyfnod hwyaf posibl yn para tan y trydydd 31 Ionawr ar ôl y dyddiad y caniateir y cais am y bleidlais drwy'r post honno. Bydd hyn yn sicrhau y daw hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy'r post i ben ar 31 Ionawr yn y flwyddyn berthnasol, a fydd yn rhoi amser i'r person wneud cais am bleidlais drwy'r post newydd cyn unrhyw etholiadau sydd wedi eu trefnu ar gyfer mis Mai'r flwyddyn honno. Mae'r diwygiadau hefyd yn caniatáu i berson wneud cais am bleidlais drwy'r post am gyfnod byrrach.

Mae rheoliad 6 yn diwygio erthygl 10 (pleidleisio fel dirprwy yn etholiadau'r Senedd) o Orchymyn 2025, sy'n ymwneud â phersonau'n pleidleisio fel dirprwy ar ran etholwr arall mewn etholiad i'r Senedd. Mae'r diwygiadau'n gwneud newidiadau sy'n cyfateb i'r rheini a wneir gan reoliad 5, fel na chaiff caniatâd ar gyfer cais i bleidleisio drwy'r post gan bleidleisiwr drwy ddirprwy mewn perthynas ag etholiad i'r Senedd bara am fwy na thair blynedd.

Mae rheoliad 7 yn diwygio Atodlen 1 (pleidleisio absennol yn etholiadau'r Senedd) i Orchymyn 2025 er mwyn adlewyrchu'r newidiadau i'r cyfnod ar gyfer pleidlais drwy'r post a wneir gan reoliadau 6 a 7. Mae rheoliad 7(3) yn gwneud diwygiadau i baragraff 12 (caniatáu neu wrthod ceisiadau). Mae rheoliad 7(3)(a) yn mewnosod is-baragraff newydd (1A) sy'n nodi bod rhaid i unrhyw hysbysiad i geisydd y mae ei gais i bleidleisio drwy'r post wedi ei ganiatáu o dan baragraff 12(1) gynnwys y dyddiad y daw'r hawlogaeth i bleidleisio drwy'r post i ben. Mae rheoliad 7(3)(b) yn mewnosod is-baragraffau newydd (8A) i (8E) sy'n darparu i hysbysiadau ychwanegol gael eu hanfon gan swyddogion cofrestru mewn amgylchiadau penodol. Mae rheoliad 7(4) yn mewnosod paragraff newydd 15A sy'n darparu i hysbysiad ychwanegol gael ei anfon at etholwyr a dirprwyon, sydd â hawlogaeth i bleidleisio drwy'r post mewn etholiad i'r Senedd yn rhinwedd hawlogaeth a roddwyd am y cyfnod hwyaf, yn rhoi gwybod iddynt am y dyddiad y daw'r hawlogaeth i ben ac yn darparu gwybodaeth am y broses ar gyfer gwneud cais newydd. Mae rheoliad 7(5) yn diwygio paragraff 16 drwy fewnosod is-baragraff newydd (A1) fel na fydd y gofyniad i ddarparu llofnodion bob pum mlynedd yn gymwys mwyach i etholwyr na dirprwyon sy'n parhau i fod â hawlogaeth i bleidleisio drwy'r post mewn etholiad i'r Senedd.

Mae rheoliad 8 yn diwygio Rhan 4 (pleidleiswyr absennol) o Reoliadau Cynrychiolaeth y Bobl (Cymru a Lloegr) 2001 (O.S. 2001/341) ("Rheoliadau 2001"). Mae rheoliad 8(2) yn diwygio rheoliad 57 (caniatáu neu wrthod ceisiadau). Mae rheoliad 8(2)(a) yn diwygio paragraff (1A) fel, pan fo ceisydd yn cael ei hysbysu bod cais i bleidleisio drwy'r post ar gyfer etholiad llywodraeth leol yng Nghymru wedi ei ganiatáu o dan baragraff (1), fod rhaid i'r hysbysiad gynnwys y dyddiad y daw hawlogaeth yr etholwr i bleidleisio drwy'r

post i ben. Mae rheoliad 8(2)(b) yn diwygio rheoliad 57(7) er mwyn darparu i hysbysiadau ychwanegol gael eu hanfon gan swyddogion cofrestru mewn amgylchiadau penodol. Mae rheoliad 8(3) yn diwygio rheoliad 60ZA (caniatáu neu wrthod ceisiadau) er mwyn darparu i hysbysiad ychwanegol gael ei anfon at etholwyr a dirprwyon, sydd â hawlogaeth i bleidleisio drwy'r post mewn etholiad llywodraeth leol yng Nghymru yn rhinwedd hawlogaeth a roddwyd am y cyfnod hwyaf, yn rhoi gwybod iddynt am y dyddiad y daw'r hawlogaeth i ben ac yn darparu gwybodaeth am y broses ar gyfer gwneud cais newydd. Mae rheoliad 8(4) yn diwygio rheoliad 60A (gofyniad i hysbysu etholwyr a dirprwyon penodol fod hawlogaeth i bleidleisio drwy'r post i ddod i ben) fel nad yw'r gofyniad i ddarparu llofnodion bob pum mlynedd yn gymwys mwyach i etholwyr na dirprwyon sy'n parhau i fod â hawlogaeth i bleidleisio drwy'r post mewn etholiad llywodraeth leol yng Nghymru.

Mae Rhan 3 yn gwneud darpariaeth sy'n ymwneud â gofynion cyffredinol ar gyfer ceisiadau pleidleisio absennol datganoledig perthnasol mewn perthynas â darparu rhifau yswiriant gwladol.

Mae rheoliad 10 yn diwygio Atodlen 1 (pleidleisio absennol yn etholiadau'r Senedd) i Orchymyn 2025 er mwyn darparu i geisiadau pleidleisio absennol datganoledig perthnasol ar gyfer etholiadau'r Senedd gynnwys rhif yswiriant gwladol y ceisydd, neu'r rheswm pam nad oes modd i'r ceisydd ei ddarparu.

Mae rheoliad 12 yn diwygio Rhan 1 (cyffredinol, dehongli ac amrywiol) o Reoliadau 2001 er mwyn mewnosod diffiniad newydd o "cais pleidleisio absennol datganoledig perthnasol" yn rheoliad 3(1).

Mae rheoliad 13 yn diwygio Rhan 4 (pleidleiswyr absennol) o Reoliadau 2001 fel bod rhaid i geisiadau pleidleisio absennol datganoledig perthnasol ar gyfer etholiadau llywodraeth leol yng Nghymru gynnwys rhif yswiriant gwladol y ceisydd, neu'r rheswm pam nad oes modd i'r ceisydd ei ddarparu.

Mae Rhan 4 yn gwneud darpariaeth ynghylch y defnydd o wasanaeth digidol y DU ar gyfer ceisiadau pleidleisio absennol datganoledig perthnasol.

Mae rheoliadau 15 ac 16 yn diwygio Gorchymyn 2025 er mwyn darparu ar gyfer cyflwyno ar-lein geisiadau pleidleisio absennol datganoledig perthnasol ar gyfer etholiadau'r Senedd drwy wasanaeth digidol y DU.

Mae rheoliadau 18 a 19 yn diwygio Rheoliadau 2001 er mwyn darparu ar gyfer cyflwyno ar-lein geisiadau pleidleisio absennol datganoledig perthnasol ar gyfer etholiadau llywodraeth leol yng Nghymru drwy wasanaeth digidol y DU.

Mae Rhan 5 yn gwneud darpariaeth ar gyfer gwirhau gwybodaeth a ddarperir mewn cais pleidleisio absennol datganoledig perthnasol, yn darparu pŵer i ofyn am dystiolaeth ychwanegol ac yn gwneud darpariaeth i ganiatáu ar gyfer prosesu gwybodaeth a ddarperir.

Mae rheoliad 20 yn diwygio Atodlen 1 (pleidleisio absennol yn etholiadau'r Senedd) i Orchymyn 2025 er mwyn mewnosod paragraffau newydd 11A, 11B ac 11C. Mae paragraff 11A yn darparu ar gyfer gwirhau gwybodaeth a ddarperir mewn ceisiadau pleidleisio absennol datganoledig perthnasol ar gyfer etholiadau'r Senedd. Mae paragraff 11B yn darparu pŵer i swyddogion cofrestru i ofyn am dystiolaeth bellach er mwyn gwirhau pwy yw'r ceisydd. Mae paragraff 11C yn nodi darpariaethau sy'n ymwneud â phrosesu

gwybodaeth a ddarperir mewn cysylltiad â cheisiadau pleidleisio absennol datganoledig perthnasol ar gyfer etholiadau'r Senedd.

Mae rheoliad 21 yn diwygio rheoliadau 56B, 56C a 56D yn Rhan 4 (pleidleiswyr absennol) o Reoliadau 2001 fel bod darpariaethau sy'n cyfateb i'r rheini a nodir yn rheoliad 20 yn gymwys i etholiadau llywodraeth leol yng Nghymru.

Mae Rhan 6 yn gwneud diwygiadau canlyniadol i Orchymyn 2025 a Rheoliadau 2001.

Mae rheoliad 23 yn diwygio erthygl 141 (ceisiadau, hysbysiadau a llofnodion electronig) o Orchymyn 2025 fel bod ardystiad a roddir o dan baragraff newydd 11B(5) o Atodlen 1 (pleidleisio absennol yn etholiadau'r Senedd) wedi ei gynnwys ym mharagraff (1) ac yn egluro nad yw'r gofynion o ran llofnod ym mharagraffau (2) i (4) yn gymwys mewn perthynas â cheisiadau pleidleisio absennol datganoledig perthnasol ar gyfer etholiadau'r Senedd, y mae'r gofynion ar eu cyfer wedi eu nodi yn Atodlen 1 (pleidleisio absennol yn etholiadau'r Senedd).

Mae rheoliad 24 yn diwygio paragraffau 9 ac 11 o Atodlen 1 (pleidleisio absennol yn etholiadau'r Senedd) i Orchymyn 2025 er mwyn caniatáu i berson gyflwyno cais i bleidleisio drwy ddirprwy ar gyfer etholiadau'r Senedd hyd at 5 p.m. ar ddiwrnod y pôl mewn amgylchiadau pan na fo cais cynharach wedi dod i law'r swyddog cofrestru cyn dyddiad cau perthnasol oherwydd diffyg technegol yng ngwasanaeth digidol y DU.

Mae rheoliadau 26 a 27 yn gwneud diwygiadau i Reoliadau 2001 er mwyn egluro'r amgylchiadau pryd y mae'r darpariaethau perthnasol yn gymwys i geisiadau pleidleisio absennol datganoledig perthnasol, a phryd nad ydynt yn gymwys i geisiadau o'r fath.

Mae rheoliad 28 yn diwygio rheoliad 56 o Reoliadau 2001 er mwyn caniatáu i berson gyflwyno cais i bleidleisio drwy ddirprwy ar gyfer etholiadau llywodraeth leol yng Nghymru hyd at 5 p.m. ar ddiwrnod y pôl mewn amgylchiadau pan na fo cais cynharach wedi dod i law'r swyddog cofrestru cyn dyddiad cau perthnasol oherwydd diffyg technegol yng ngwasanaeth digidol y DU.

Mae Rhan 7 yn cynnwys darpariaethau trosiannol sy'n ymwneud â diwygiadau a wneir gan Ddeddf 2025 a'r Rheoliadau hyn.

Mae rheoliad 30 yn darparu bod cais pleidleisio absennol datganoledig neu gais pleidleisio drwy'r post drwy ddirprwy datganoledig a wneir cyn 3 Tachwedd 2026 ("diwrnod perthnasol"), ond nas penderfynir erbyn y diwrnod hwnnw, i'w drin fel pe na bai wedi ei wneud.

Mae rheoliad 31 yn gwneud darpariaethau ar gyfer terfynu hawlogaethau penodol i bleidlais drwy'r post drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig. Pan fo gan berson hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy'r post drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig a hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy'r post drwy ddirprwy gadwedig, daw hawlogaeth y person i bleidlais drwy'r post drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig i ben ar y diwrnod perthnasol.

Mae rheoliad 32 yn gwneud darpariaeth drosiannol mewn perthynas â phleidleiswyr drwy'r post presennol ar gyfer etholiadau'r Senedd ac etholiadau llywodraeth leol yng Nghymru ar yr adeg y daw'r terfyn newydd ar y cyfnod hwyaf y gall person wneud cais am bleidlais drwy'r post amdano i rym. Bydd y trefniadau trosiannol yn gymwys i bleidleiswyr drwy'r post sydd â hawlogaeth, cyn y diwrnod perthnasol, naill ai i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig, neu i bleidlais drwy'r post drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig (ond dim ond pan na fo ganddynt hefyd hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy'r post drwy ddirprwy

gadwedig) sy'n para am gyfnod amhenodol neu am gyfnod penodol a fyddai'n dod i ben ar ôl y 31 Ionawr 2029 ar ôl y diwrnod perthnasol. O dan reoliad 32(4), bydd y personau hyn yn parhau i allu pleidleisio drwy'r post hyd nes pa un bynnag o'r canlynol sydd hwyraf: (a) y trydydd 31 Ionawr ar ôl y diwrnod perthnasol neu "y dyddiad adnewyddu llofnod" os yw hwn yn gynt; neu (b) os yw'n hwyrach, y dyddiad y daw hawlogaeth person i bleidlais drwy'r post gadwedig, os oes ganddo un, i ben. Y dyddiad adnewyddu llofnod yw'r dyddiad erbyn pryd y byddai fel arfer yn ofynnol i'r swyddog cofrestru anfon hysbysiad at y pleidleisiwr drwy'r post yn ei gwneud yn ofynnol iddo ddarparu llofnod newydd (o dan y darpariaethau cyfredol ar gyfer adnewyddu llofnod, rhaid anfon yr hysbysiad hwn erbyn 31 Ionawr mewn unrhyw flwyddyn os yw llofnod person sydd ar gofnod yn fwy na phum mlwydd oed). Ni fydd yr hysbysiad y mae fel arfer yn ofynnol iddo gael ei anfon yn ofynnol os mai unig hawlogaeth y person i bleidleisio fel pleidleisiwr absennol yw pleidlais drwy'r post a fydd yn dod i ben ar y dyddiad adnewyddu llofnod o dan y darpariaethau trosiannol. Rhaid i'r swyddog cofrestru, cyn diwedd y cyfnod y mae gan bleidleisiwr drwy'r post bleidlais drwy'r post amdano, anfon hysbysiad sy'n rhoi gwybod i'r person am y dyddiad y daw ei hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy'r post i ben ac yn darparu gwybodaeth am sut i wneud cais newydd i bleidleisio drwy'r post.

Mae rheoliad 33 yn darparu ar gyfer cysoni'r dyddiadau adnewyddu llofnod pan fo gan berson hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig a hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy ddirprwy gadwedig a bo'r dyddiadau adnewyddu llofnod ar gyfer yr hawlogaethau yn wahanol. Daw'r dyddiadau adnewyddu llofnod a gysonwyd i ben ar y dyddiad adnewyddu llofnod ar gyfer hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy ddirprwy gadwedig y person.

Mae rheoliad 34 yn ymdrin ag anghysondebau o ran pleidlais drwy'r post a therfynu hawlogaethau penodol i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig. Pan fo gan berson hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig a hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy'r post gadwedig a, chyn y diwrnod perthnasol, fo anghysondeb yn y cyfeiriadau pleidlais drwy'r post a ddelir yn y cofnodion a gedwir gan y swyddog cofrestru ar gyfer yr hawlogaethau hynny, daw hawlogaeth y person i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig i ben ar y diwrnod perthnasol. Cyn y diwrnod perthnasol, pan fo'n rhesymol ymarferol i wneud hynny, bydd y swyddog cofrestru yn ysgrifennu at y person i roi gwybod iddo am yr anghysondeb ac i roi gwybod iddo bod rhaid i'r cyfeiriadau fod yr un fath os yw'r hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig a'r hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy'r post gadwedig i fod yn eu lle o'r diwrnod perthnasol. Rhaid i'r swyddog cofrestru hefyd roi gwybod i'r person, os na wneir cais newydd i bleidleisio drwy'r post cyn y diwrnod perthnasol ac os na phenderfynir cais o'r fath erbyn y diwrnod hwnnw, a bod yr anghysondeb o ran y cyfeiriad yn parhau, y daw hawlogaeth y person i bleidlais absennol ddatganoledig i ben ar y diwrnod perthnasol.

Mae rheoliad 35 yn ymdrin ag anghysondebau o ran llofnod pleidlais drwy'r post. Pan fo gan berson hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig a hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy'r post gadwedig, a bo anghysondeb yn y llofnodion a ddelir yn y cofnodion a gedwir gan y swyddog cofrestru ar gyfer yr hawlogaethau hynny, gydag effaith o'r diwrnod perthnasol, rhaid i'r swyddog cofrestru gymhwyso'r llofnod o hawlogaeth y person i bleidlais drwy'r post gadwedig fel yr unig lofnod a gedwir yng nghofnod y swyddog cofrestru ar gyfer yr hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig a'r hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy'r post gadwedig.

Mae rheoliad 36 yn ymdrin ag anghysondebau o ran hepgoriad llofnod a therfynu hawlogaethau penodol i bleidlais absennol ddatganoledig. Pan fo gan berson hawlogaeth i bleidlais absennol ddatganoledig a hawlogaeth i bleidlais absennol gadwedig, a bo

hepgoriad llofnod wedi ei roi mewn cysylltiad ag un o'r hawlogaethau yn unig, daw hawlogaeth y person i bleidlais absennol ddatganoledig i ben ar y diwrnod perthnasol. Cyn y diwrnod perthnasol, pan fo'n rhesymol ymarferol i wneud hynny, bydd y swyddog cofrestru yn ysgrifennu at y person i roi gwybod iddo am yr anghysondeb ac i roi gwybod iddo bod rhaid i'r person naill ai cael hepgoriad llofnod yn ei le ar gyfer y ddwy hawlogaeth neu ddim un o'r hawlogaethau os yw'r person i gael hawlogaeth i bleidlais absennol gadwedig a hawlogaeth i bleidlais absennol ddatganoledig yn eu lle ar yr un pryd ar y diwrnod perthnasol. Rhaid i'r swyddog cofrestru hefyd roi gwybod i'r person, os na wneir cais newydd cyn y diwrnod perthnasol ac os na phenderfynir cais o'r fath erbyn y diwrnod hwnnw, ac os yw'r anghysondeb yn parhau, y daw hawlogaeth y person i bleidlais absennol ddatganoledig i ben ar y diwrnod perthnasol.

Mae rheoliad 37 yn ymdrin ag anghysondebau o ran enw a chyfeiriad dirprwy a therfynu hawlogaethau penodol i bleidlais drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig. Pan fo gan berson benodiad dirprwy datganoledig a phenodiad dirprwy cadwedig, a bo anghysondeb o ran yr enwau dirprwy, y cyfeiriadau dirprwy neu'r ddau a ddelir yn y cofnodion a gedwir gan y swyddog cofrestru ar gyfer y penodiadau hynny, yna daw hawlogaeth y person i bleidlais drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig i ben ar y diwrnod perthnasol. Cyn y diwrnod perthnasol, pan fo'n rhesymol ymarferol i wneud hynny, bydd y swyddog cofrestru yn ysgrifennu at y person i roi gwybod iddo am yr anghysondeb ac i roi gwybod iddo bod rhaid i fanylion y penodiad dirprwy datganoledig a'r penodiad dirprwy cadwedig fod yr un fath os yw'r person i gael y ddau benodiad yn eu lle ar yr un pryd ar y diwrnod perthnasol. Rhaid i'r swyddog cofrestru hefyd roi gwybod i'r person, os na wneir cais newydd cyn y diwrnod perthnasol ac os na phenderfynir cais o'r fath erbyn y diwrnod hwnnw, ac os yw'r anghysondeb yn parhau, y daw hawlogaeth y person i bleidlais absennol ddatganoledig i ben ar y diwrnod perthnasol.

Mae rheoliadau 38 a 39 yn ymdrin ag anghysondebau o ran pleidlais drwy'r post a phleidlais drwy ddirprwy a therfynu hawlogaethau penodol i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig neu hawlogaethau penodol i bleidlais drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig. Pan fo gan berson hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig, a hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy ddirprwy gadwedig, daw hawlogaeth y person i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig i ben ar y diwrnod perthnasol. Pan fo gan berson hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig a hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy'r post gadwedig, daw hawlogaeth y person i bleidlais drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig i ben ar y diwrnod perthnasol. Cyn y diwrnod perthnasol, pan fo'n rhesymol ymarferol i wneud hynny, bydd y swyddog cofrestru yn ysgrifennu at y person i roi gwybod iddo am yr anghysondeb ac i roi gwybod iddo bod rhaid i'r trefniadau datganoledig a chadwedig fod yr un fath os yw'r person i gael y ddau yn eu lle ar yr un pryd ar y diwrnod perthnasol. Rhaid i'r swyddog cofrestru hefyd roi gwybod i'r person, os na wneir cais newydd cyn y diwrnod perthnasol ac os na phenderfynir cais o'r fath erbyn y diwrnod hwnnw, ac os yw'r anghysondeb yn parhau, y daw hawlogaeth y person i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig neu ei hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig, yn ôl y digwydd, i ben ar y diwrnod perthnasol.

Mae Rhan 8 yn gwneud nifer o ddiwygiadau amrywiol i Orchymyn 2025.

Mae rheoliad 41 yn egluro erbyn pa amser y mae'n rhaid talu treuliau etholiad ymgeisydd. Yr amser hwn yw 28 o ddiwrnodau ar ôl y diwrnod y datgenir canlyniad neu ganlyniadau'r etholiad.

Mae rheoliad 42 yn gwneud diwygiad i baragraff 14(3) o Atodlen 2 (papur pleidleisio drwy'r post a ddifethwyd) i Orchymyn 2025 i egluro nad yw'n ofynnol i'r swyddog canlyniadau ddyroddi papur pleidleisio drwy'r post newydd neu bapurau pleidleisio drwy'r post newydd pan fo'r dogfennau y cyfeirir atynt yn dod i law ar ôl 5.00 p.m. ar ddiwrnod y pôl.

Mae rheoliad 43 yn gwneud mân ddiwygiadau i Atodlen 5 (rheolau etholiadau'r Senedd) i Orchymyn 2025.

Yn unol â pharagraff 4 o Atodlen 6 i Orchymyn 2025 (taliadau etc. nad ydynt i'w hystyried yn rhoddion), mae rhoddion i ymgeiswyr unigol o lai na £500 i'w diystyru. Mae rheoliad 44 yn gwneud mân ddiwygiadau i baragraff 6 o Atodlen 6 (gwahardd derbyn rhoddion oddi wrth roddwyr nas caniateir) fel nad yw'r gofynion adrodd ar gyfer rhoddion perthnasol oddi wrth roddwyr a ganiateir ond yn gymwys mewn perthynas â rhoddion o fwy na £500.

Ystyriwyd Cod Ymarfer Gweinidogion Cymru ar gynnal Asesiadau Effaith Rheoleiddiol mewn perthynas â'r Rheoliadau hyn. O ganlyniad, lluniwyd asesiad effaith rheoleiddiol o'r costau a'r manteision sy'n debygol o ddeillio o gydymffurfio â'r Rheoliadau hyn. Gellir cael copi oddi wrth: Llywodraeth Cymru, Parc Cathays, Caerdydd, CF10 3NQ ac fe'i cyhoeddir ar www.llyw.cymru.

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Rheoliadau Cynrychiolaeth y Bobl (Pleidleisio Absennol a Diwygiadau Amrywiol) (Cymru) 2026

Gwnaed *18 Mawrth 2026*

Yn dod i rym yn unol â rheoliad 1(2) a (3)

Mae Gweinidogion Cymru yn gwneud y Rheoliadau a ganlyn, drwy arfer y pwerau a roddir gan—

(a) adrannau 53(1)(c), (3) a (9)(b) a 201(3) o Ddeddf Cynrychiolaeth y Bobl 1983(**1**), a pharagraffau 1(2) a (5A), 3, 5ZB(1), (2) a (5), 5A(1), (3) a (4) a 13(2) o Atodlen 2 i'r Ddeddf honno;

(b) paragraffau 3(1)(b) a (2)(c), 4(1)(b) a (2)(c), 6(7) i (9)(**2**) a 7B o Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf Cynrychiolaeth y Bobl 2000(**3**);

(**1**) 1983 p. 2. Diwygiwyd adran 53(3) gan adran 24 o Ddeddf Cynrychiolaeth y Bobl 1985 (p. 50) ("DCB 1985") a pharagraff 13 o Atodlen 4 iddi. Mewnosodwyd adran 53(9)(b) gan adran 7(10) o Ddeddf Cymru 2017 (p. 4). Mewnosodwyd adran 201(3) gan baragraff 21 o Atodlen 1 i Ddeddf Cynrychiolaeth y Bobl 2000 (p. 2) ("Deddf 2000") ac fe'i diwygiwyd gan baragraff 6(7) o Atodlen 21 i Ddeddf Pleidiau Gwleidyddol, Etholiadau a Refferenda 2000 (p. 41). Diwygiwyd paragraff 1(2) o Atodlen 2 gan baragraff 24(2) o Atodlen 1 i Ddeddf 2000 a chan baragraff 20(2) o Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf Cofrestru a Gweinyddu Etholiadol 2013 (p. 6). Mewnosodwyd paragraff 1(5A) o Atodlen 2 gan baragraff 3(3) o Atodlen 2 i Ddeddf Etholiadau 2022 (p. 37) ac fe'i diwygiwyd gan adran 1(2) o Ddeddf Pleidleisio Absennol (Etholiadau yng Nghymru a'r Alban) 2025 (p. 27) ("Deddf 2025"). Mewnosodwyd paragraff 5ZB o Atodlen 2 gan adran 1(3) o Ddeddf 2025. Mewnosodwyd paragraff 5A o Atodlen 2 gan adran 11(a) o DCB 1985 a pharagraff 8 o Atodlen 2 iddi, ac fe'i diwygiwyd gan adran 15(1) o Ddeddf 2000 a pharagraff 11(2) o Atodlen 6 iddi. Trosglwyddwyd swyddogaethau'r Ysgrifennydd Gwladol, o ran Cymru, i Weinidogion Cymru gan erthygl 45 o Orchymyn Gweinidogion Cymru (Trosglwyddo Swyddogaethau) 2018 (O.S. 2018/644) a pharagraff 1 o Atodlen 1 iddo.

(**2**) Mae'r darpariaethau hyn yn darparu bod rhaid bodloni gofynion "rhagnodedig". Ystyr "rhagnodedig" yw wedi eu nodi mewn rheoliadau, yn rhinwedd adran 202(1) o Ddeddf Cynrychiolaeth y Bobl 1983 (p. 50), fel y'i darllenir gyda pharagraff 1(2) o Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf Cynrychiolaeth y Bobl 2000 (p. 2).

(**3**) 2000 p. 2. Diwygiwyd paragraff 3(1)(b) o Atodlen 4 gan adran 14(1)(a) o Ddeddf Gweinyddu Etholiadol 2006 (p. 22) ("DGE 2006"), gan baragraff 2(2) o Atodlen 3 i Ddeddf Etholiadau 2022 ac mae wedi ei ddiwygio yn rhagolygol gan adran 1(5)(a) o Ddeddf Pleidleisio Absennol (Etholiadau yng Nghymru a'r Alban) 2025 (p. 27) o 3 Tachwedd 2026. Diwygiwyd paragraff 3(2)(c) gan adran 14(1)(b) o DGE 2006. Diwygiwyd paragraff 4(1)(b) o Atodlen 4 gan adran 14(2)(a) o DGE 2006. Diwygiwyd paragraff 4(2)(c) o Atodlen 4 gan adran 14(2)(b) o DGE 2006. Mewnosodwyd paragraff 7B o Atodlen 4 gan adran 14(4) ac (8) o DGE 2006. Trosglwyddwyd swyddogaethau'r Ysgrifennydd Gwladol, o ran Cymru, i Weinidogion Cymru gan erthygl 45 o Orchymyn Gweinidogion Cymru (Trosglwyddo Swyddogaethau) 2018 (O.S. 2018/644) a pharagraff 2 o Atodlen 1 iddo.

(c) adrannau 13(1)(a)(**4**), (2)(a) a (4), 13B(1) a (2) a 157(2)(c) o Ddeddf Llywodraeth Cymru 2006(**5**).

Yn unol ag adran 53(10A) o Ddeddf Cynrychiolaeth y Bobl 1983(**6**) ac adran 13B(5) o Ddeddf Llywodraeth Cymru 2006(**7**), mae Gweinidogion Cymru wedi cael cytundeb un o Weinidogion y Goron i wneud y darpariaethau perthnasol yn y Rheoliadau hyn.

Yn unol ag adran 7(1) a (2)(e) ac (f) o Ddeddf Pleidiau Gwleidyddol, Etholiadau a Refferenda 2000(**8**), mae Gweinidogion Cymru wedi ymgynghori â'r Comisiwn Etholiadol cyn gwneud y Rheoliadau hyn.

Yn unol â gweithdrefn gymeradwyo'r Senedd a gymhwysir gan adran 201(2) o Ddeddf Cynrychiolaeth y Bobl 1983(**9**) ac adrannau 13(7) a 13B(7) o Ddeddf Llywodraeth Cymru 2006(**10**) gosodwyd drafft o'r offeryn statudol Cymreig hwn gerbron Senedd Cymru ac fe'i cymeradwywyd ganddi drwy benderfyniad.

RHAN 1
CYFFREDINOL

Enwi a chychwyn

1.—(1) Enw'r Rheoliadau hyn yw Rheoliadau Cynrychiolaeth y Bobl (Pleidleisio Absennol a Diwygiadau Amrywiol) (Cymru) 2026.

(2) Yn ddarostyngedig i baragraff (3), daw'r Rheoliadau hyn i rym ar 24 Mawrth 2026.

(3) Daw rheoliadau 3 i 28 i rym ar 3 Tachwedd 2026.

Dehongli

2. Yn y Rheoliadau hyn—

ystyr "cais pleidleisio absennol datganoledig perthnasol" ("*relevant devolved absent voting application*") yw cais, gan gynnwys cais a gwblheir yn rhannol, a wneir o dan—

(**4**) Caniateir arfer y pŵer i wneud gorchymyn o dan adran 13(1) o Ddeddf Llywodraeth Cymru 2006 (p. 32) er mwyn gwneud rheoliadau yn rhinwedd adran 39 o Ddeddf Deddfwriaeth (Cymru) 2019 (dccc 4).

(**5**) 2006 p. 32. Amnewidiwyd adran 13 gan adran 5(1) o Ddeddf Cymru 2017 (p. 4) ("Deddf 2017"). Fe'i diwygiwyd yn ddiweddarach gan baragraff 2 o Atodlen 1 i Ddeddf Senedd ac Etholiadau (Cymru) 2020 (dccc 1), gan baragraff 29 o Atodlen 3 i Ddeddf yr Undeb Ewropeaidd (Ymadael) 2018 (p. 16) a chan adran 10(3) o Ddeddf Senedd Cymru (Aelodau ac Etholiadau) 2024 (dsc 4). Mewnosodwyd adran 13B gan adran 3 o Ddeddf Pleidleisio Absennol (Etholiadau yng Nghymru a'r Alban) 2025 (p. 27). Diwygiwyd adran 157 gan baragraffau 1 ac 8 o Atodlen 6 i Ddeddf 2017.

(**6**) Mewnosodwyd adran 53(10A) gan adran 7(11) o Ddeddf Cymru 2017 (p. 4).

(**7**) Mewnosodwyd adran 13B(5) gan adran 3 o Ddeddf Pleidleisio Absennol (Etholiadau yng Nghymru a'r Alban) 2025 (p. 27).

(**8**) 2000 p. 41. Amnewidiwyd adran 7(2)(f) gan baragraff 93 o Atodlen 1 i O.S. 2007/1388 ac fe'i diwygiwyd yn ddiweddarach gan adran 5(3) o Ddeddf Cymru 2017 (p. 4) a pharagraff 6(3) o Atodlen 1 i Ddeddf Etholiadau a Chyrff Etholedig (Cymru) 2024 (dsc 5).

(**9**) Amnewidiwyd adran 201(2) gan adran 24 o Ddeddf Cynrychiolaeth y Bobl 1985 (p. 50) a pharagraff 69 o Atodlen 4 iddi, ac fe'i diwygiwyd gan baragraff 6(1) a (7)(b) o Atodlen 21 i Ddeddf Pleidiau Gwleidyddol, Etholiadau a Refferenda 2000 (p. 41), gan adran 13(2) o Ddeddf Gogledd Iwerddon (Darpariaethau Amrywiol) 2014 (p. 13), gan baragraff 1(9)(a) o Atodlen 8 i Ddeddf Etholiadau 2022 (p. 37) a chan O.S. 1991/1728.

(**10**) Gweler hefyd adran 40 o Ddeddf Deddfwriaeth (Cymru) 2019 (dccc 4) am ddarpariaeth ynghylch y weithdrefn sy'n gymwys i'r offeryn hwn.

(a) erthygl 6, 7, 9 neu 10 o Orchymyn 2025 mewn perthynas ag etholiad i'r Senedd, neu etholiadau'r Senedd, neu

(b) paragraff 3, 4 neu 6 o Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf 2000(**11**) mewn perthynas ag etholiad llywodraeth leol, neu etholiadau llywodraeth leol, yng Nghymru;

ystyr "Deddf 2000" ("*2000 Act*") yw Deddf Cynrychiolaeth y Bobl 2000;

ystyr "etholiad llywodraeth leol" ("*local government election*") yw'r etholiad cynghorwyr ar gyfer unrhyw ward etholiadol neu unrhyw ward gymunedol yng Nghymru neu, yn achos cymuned yng Nghymru lle nad oes unrhyw wardiau, y gymuned y cynhelir yr etholiad cynghorwyr ar ei chyfer o dan Ran 2 o Ddeddf Llywodraeth Leol 1972(**12**).

ystyr "etholiad i'r Senedd" ("*Senedd election*") yw etholiad i Senedd Cymru;

ystyr "Gorchymyn 2025" ("*2025 Order*") yw Gorchymyn Senedd Cymru (Cynrychiolaeth y Bobl) 2025(**13**);

ystyr "Rheoliadau 2001" ("*2001 Regulations*") yw Rheoliadau Cynrychiolaeth y Bobl (Cymru a Lloegr) 2001(**14**).

RHAN 2

CYFYNGU AR Y CYFNOD Y GALL PERSON WNEUD CAIS AM BLEIDLAIS DRWY'R POST AMDANO

Cyflwyniad i Ran 2

3. Mae'r Rhan hon yn cynnwys darpariaeth sydd—

(a) yn cyfyngu ar y cyfnod y gall person wneud cais i bleidleisio drwy'r post mewn etholiad i'r Senedd amdano, a

(b) yn ymwneud â gweithredu'r diwygiadau a wneir i Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf 2000 gan Ddeddf Pleidleisio Absennol (Etholiadau yng Nghymru a'r Alban) 2025(**15**), sy'n cyfyngu ar y cyfnod y gall person wneud cais i bleidleisio drwy'r post mewn etholiadau llywodraeth leol yng Nghymru amdano.

Etholiadau'r Senedd

4. Mae Gorchymyn 2025 wedi ei ddiwygio yn unol â rheoliadau 5 i 7.

(**11**) Diwygiwyd paragraff 3 gan adran 261(1) o Ddeddf Partneriaeth Sifil 2004 (p. 33) ("Deddf 2004") ac Atodlen 27 iddi, gan adrannau 10, 14 a 74 o Ddeddf Gweinyddu Etholiadol 2006 (p. 22) ("DGE 2006") ac Atodlen 1 iddi, gan adrannau 20 a 34(5) o Ddeddf Gwasanaethau Gweinyddu a Chofrestru Etholiadol Lleol (Yr Alban) 2006 (dsa 14) ("Deddf 2006"), gan adran 9 o Ddeddf Etholiadau'r Alban (Etholfraint a Chynrychiolaeth) 2020 (dsa 6), a chan adran 3 o Ddeddf Etholiadau 2022 (p. 37) ("Deddf 2022") ac Atodlen 3 iddi. Mae paragraff 3 wedi ei ddiwygio yn rhagolygol gan adran 1(5) o Ddeddf Pleidleisio Absennol (Etholiadau yng Nghymru a'r Alban) 2025 (p. 27) o 3 Tachwedd 2026. Diwygiwyd paragraff 4 gan adrannau 10(2) a 14 o DGE 2006 ac Atodlen 1 iddi, a chan adran 20 o Ddeddf 2006. Diwygiwyd paragraff 6 gan adran 261(1) o Ddeddf 2004 a pharagraff 164 o Atodlen 27 iddi, gan adran 3 o Ddeddf Cofrestru a Gweinyddu Etholiadol 2013 (p. 6), gan adran 23 o Ddeddf Llywodraeth Leol ac Etholiadau (Cymru) 2021 (dsc 1) a pharagraff 8 o Atodlen 2 iddi, a chan adran 6 o Ddeddf 2022 a pharagraff 7 o Atodlen 4 iddi.

(**12**) 1972 p. 70.

(**13**) O.S. 2025/864 (Cy. 150).

(**14**) O.S. 2001/341; yr offerynnau diwygio perthnasol yw O.S. 2001/1700, 2002/1871, 2006/752, 2006/2910, 2008/1901, 2009/725, 2013/3198, 2015/1971, 2016/211, 2016/694, 2018/312, 2018/1310, 2019/1451, 2020/50, 2021/391, 2021/1265, 2022/175, 2022/1382, 2023/1147, 2023/1150, 2023/1225, 2023/1406, 2024/43, 2024/665 a 2024/991.

(**15**) 2025 p. 27.

Diwygio erthygl 6 (pleidlais absennol yn etholiadau'r Senedd ar gyfer cyfnod penodol neu amhenodol)

5.—(1) Mae erthygl 6 (pleidlais absennol yn etholiadau'r Senedd ar gyfer cyfnod penodol neu amhenodol) wedi ei diwygio fel a ganlyn.

(2) Yn y pennawd o flaen erthygl 6, hepgorer "ar gyfer cyfnod penodol neu amhenodol".

(3) Ym mharagraff (1), yn y geiriau o flaen is-baragraff (a), hepgorer "pa un ai am gyfnod amhenodol neu am gyfnod penodol a bennir yn y cais,".

(4) Ar ôl paragraff (1), mewnosoder—

"(1A) Mae unrhyw gais a ganiateir o dan baragraff (1) i'w ganiatáu am—

(a) y cyfnod sy'n dod i ben â'r trydydd 31 Ionawr ar ôl y dyddiad y caniateir y cais, neu

(b) unrhyw gyfnod byrrach a bennir yn y cais."

(5) Ym mharagraff (4)—

(a) hepgorer is-baragraff (a);

(b) yn is-baragraff (b), ar ôl "post, y" mewnosoder "cyfnodau y caniateir iddynt wneud hynny amdanynt a'r";

(c) yn is-baragraff (c), ar ôl "ddirprwy," mewnosoder "ai ceisiadau oeddent i bleidleisio drwy ddirprwy am gyfnod amhenodol ynteu gyfnod penodol a chan bennu'r cyfnod hwnnw, ac".

(6) Ym mharagraff (5)—

(a) hepgorer y "neu" ar ddiwedd is-baragraff (d);

(b) yn is-baragraff (e)—

(i) hepgorer "drwy'r post neu";

(ii) yn lle'r "." ar ddiwedd yr is-baragraff, rhodder ", neu";

(c) ar ôl is-baragraff (e), mewnosoder—

"(f) yn achos person y dangosir yn y cofnod ei fod yn pleidleisio drwy'r post, unwaith y bydd y cyfnod y mae gan y person hawlogaeth i bleidleisio drwy'r post amdano, yn unol â pharagraff (1A), wedi dod i ben."

(7) Ym mharagraff (8), hepgorer ", pa un ai am gyfnod amhenodol neu am gyfnod penodol fel a bennir yn y cais".

(8) Ar ôl paragraff (8), mewnosoder—

"(8A) Mae paragraff (1A) yn gymwys i gais o dan is-baragraff (8) i bleidleisio drwy'r post, fel y mae'n gymwys i gais o dan baragraff (1)."

Diwygio erthygl 10 (pleidleisio fel dirprwy yn etholiadau'r Senedd)

6.—(1) Mae erthygl 10 (pleidleisio fel dirprwy yn etholiadau'r Senedd) wedi ei diwygio fel a ganlyn.

(2) Ym mharagraff (4)(a), hepgorer "pa un a yw hynny am gyfnod amhenodol neu am gyfnod penodol a bennir yng nghais y person,".

(3) Ar ôl paragraff (5), mewnosoder—

"(5A) Mae unrhyw gais a ganiateir o dan baragraff (4)(a) i bleidleisio drwy'r post fel dirprwy i'w ganiatáu am—

(a) y cyfnod sy'n dod i ben â'r trydydd 31 Ionawr ar ôl y dyddiad y caniateir y cais, neu

(b) unrhyw gyfnod byrrach a bennir yn y cais."

(4) Yn lle paragraff (6)(a), rhodder—

"(a) y cyfnodau y caniateir iddynt bleidleisio drwy'r post fel dirprwy amdanynt, yn unol â pharagraff (5A), a".

(5) Ym mharagraff (10)(b), yn lle "am gyfnod penodol, unwaith y daw'r cyfnod hwnnw i ben" rhodder ", unwaith y bydd y cyfnod y mae gan y person hawlogaeth i bleidleisio drwy'r post fel dirprwy amdano, yn unol â pharagraff (5A), wedi dod i ben".

Diwygio Atodlen 1 (pleidleisio absennol yn etholiadau'r Senedd)

7.—(1) Mae Atodlen 1 i Orchymyn 2025 (pleidleisio absennol yn etholiadau'r Senedd) wedi ei diwygio fel a ganlyn.

(2) Ym mharagraff 1—

(a) yn is-baragraff (1), hepgorer "ar gyfer cyfnod penodol neu amhenodol";

(b) yn is-baragraff (5), yn lle paragraff (a), rhodder—

"(a) o dan erthygl 6(1), 9(6) neu 10(4)(a)—

(i) am gyfnod amhenodol,

(ii) am y cyfnod hwyaf fel y pennir yn erthygl 6(1A)(a) neu 10(5A)(a), neu

(iii) am y cyfnod a bennir yn y cais, neu".

(3) Ym mharagraff 12 (caniatáu neu wrthod ceisiadau)—

(a) ar ôl is-baragraff (1), mewnosoder—

"(1A) Rhaid i'r hysbysiad o dan is-baragraff (1) gynnwys—

(a) os yw'r hawlogaeth i bleidleisio drwy'r post ar gyfer etholiad penodol, diwrnod y pôl y cafodd hawlogaeth yr etholwr i bleidleisio drwy'r post ei rhoi ar ei gyfer,

(b) fel arall, y dyddiad y daw hawlogaeth yr etholwr i bleidleisio drwy'r post i ben, yn unol ag erthygl 6(1A) neu 10(5A), fel y bo'n berthnasol.";

(b) ar ôl is-baragraff (8), mewnosoder—

"(8A) Mae is-baragraffau (8B) i (8D) yn gymwys os—

(a) oes cais wedi ei wneud o dan erthygl 6, 7, 9 neu 10, a

(b) naill ai—

(i) bo paragraff 2(2) yn gymwys i'r cais hwnnw, neu y byddai wedi bod yn gymwys iddo pe bai paragraff 2(3) wedi ei anwybyddu, neu

(ii) bo paragraff 3(1) a (2) yn gymwys i'r cais hwnnw, neu y byddent wedi bod yn gymwys iddo pe bai paragraff 3(3) wedi ei anwybyddu.

(8B) Rhaid i hysbysiad o dan is-baragraff (1) i un o'r mathau canlynol o geiswyr hefyd gynnwys datganiad y bydd papurau pleidleisio yn cael eu hanfon i gyfeiriad danfon papurau pleidleisio drwy'r post—

(a) ceisydd sydd wedi ei gofrestru yn unol â datganiad o wasanaeth;

(b) ceisydd sydd wedi ei gofrestru yn unol â datganiad o gysylltiad lleol (o fewn ystyr adran 7B o Ddeddf 1983(**16**));

(c) ceisydd sy'n forwr masnachol (o fewn ystyr adran 6 o Ddeddf 1983(**17**));

(d) ceisydd sydd â chofnod dienw.

(8C) Os nad yw is-baragraffau (a) i (d) o is-baragraff (8B) yn gymwys i'r ceisydd, rhaid i'r swyddog cofrestru, yn ogystal â hysbysu'r ceisydd o dan is-baragraff (1), (4), (5) neu (8), hysbysu'r ceisydd mewn ysgrifen—

(a) bod y cais wedi ei ganiatáu, ei wrthod neu ei ddiystyru, a

(b) pan fo'r cais wedi ei ganiatáu, y bydd papurau pleidleisio yn cael eu hanfon i'r cyfeiriad danfon papurau pleidleisio drwy'r post.

(8D) Rhaid danfon hysbysiad o dan baragraff (8C)—

(a) os yw paragraff (8A)(b)(ii) yn gymwys a bo'r hysbysiad i'w ddanfon at berson y dangosir ei fod yn pleidleisio drwy'r post yn y cofnod a gedwir o dan erthygl 8(1)(a), i'r cyfeiriad a ddangosir yn y cofnod hwnnw;

(b) fel arall—

(i) i'r cyfeiriad a ddatganwyd yn y cais yn unol â pharagraff 1(1)(b), neu

(ii) i gyfeiriad y dirprwy a ddatganwyd yn y cais yn unol â pharagraff 1(1)(c).

(8E) Yn is-baragraffau (8B) ac (8C), ystyr y "cyfeiriad danfon papurau pleidleisio drwy'r post" yw—

(a) os yw is-baragraff (8A)(b)(i) yn gymwys, y cyfeiriad a ddatganwyd yn y cais yn unol â pharagraff 1(1)(d);

(b) os yw is-baragraff (8A)(b)(ii) yn gymwys, y cyfeiriad gwahanol a ddisgrifir ym mharagraff 3(1) a (2).

(8F) Yn is-baragraff (8B) mae i "datganiad o wasanaeth" yr un ystyr ag a roddir i "service declaration" yn adran 202(1) o Ddeddf 1983(**18**).""

(4) Ar ôl paragraff 15 (ymholiadau gan swyddog cofrestru), mewnosoder—

"Gofyniad i hysbysu etholwyr a dirprwyon penodol fod hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy'r post i ddod i ben

15A.—(1) Mae'r paragraff hwn yn gymwys mewn cysylltiad ag etholwr neu ddirprwy sy'n parhau i fod â hawlogaeth i bleidleisio drwy'r post mewn etholiad i'r Senedd yn rhinwedd hawlogaeth a roddwyd am y cyfnod hwyaf ("y person perthnasol").

(2) Cyn diwedd y cyfnod hwyaf, rhaid i'r swyddog cofrestru anfon at y person perthnasol—

(a) hysbysiad am y dyddiad y daw hawlogaeth y person perthnasol i bleidleisio drwy'r post i ben, a

(**16**) Mewnosodwyd adran 7B gan adran 6 o Ddeddf Cynrychiolaeth y Bobl 2000 (p. 2) a gwnaed diwygiadau perthnasol iddi gan adran 19 o Ddeddf Senedd ac Etholiadau (Cymru) 2020 (dccc 1), gan adran 23 o Ddeddf Llywodraeth Leol ac Etholiadau (Cymru) 2021 (dsc 1) a pharagraff 2(2) o Atodlen 2 iddi, gan baragraff 1(3) o Atodlen 8 i Ddeddf Etholiadau 2022 (p. 37) a chan adran 10(9) o Ddeddf Senedd Cymru (Aelodau ac Etholiadau) 2024 (dsc 4).

(**17**) Diwygiwyd adran 6 gan baragraff 2 o Atodlen 1 i Ddeddf Cynrychiolaeth y Bobl 2000 (p. 2).

(**18**) Gwnaed diwygiadau perthnasol i adran 202(1) gan adran 6 o Ddeddf Etholiadau 2022 (p. 37) a pharagraff 3 o Atodlen 4 iddi.

(b) gwybodaeth am sut i wneud cais newydd i bleidleisio drwy'r post, fel etholwr neu fel dirprwy.

(3) Yn y paragraff hwn, ystyr "cyfnod hwyaf" yw'r cyfnod hwyaf fel y pennir yn erthygl 6(1A)(a) neu 10(5A)(a)."

(5) Ym mharagraff 16 (gofyniad i ddarparu llofnodion newydd bob pum mlynedd), cyn is-baragraff (1), mewnosoder—

"(A1) Nid yw'r paragraff hwn yn gymwys i etholwr na dirprwy i'r graddau bod yr etholwr neu'r dirprwy hwnnw'n parhau i fod â hawlogaeth i bleidleisio drwy'r post mewn etholiad i'r Senedd."

Etholiadau llywodraeth leol

8.—(1) Mae Rhan 4 o Reoliadau 2001 (pleidleiswyr absennol) wedi ei diwygio fel a ganlyn.

(2) Yn rheoliad 57 (caniatáu neu wrthod ceisiadau)—

(a) ym mharagraff (1A), hepgorer "Where a registration officer grants an application to vote by post at a parliamentary election or a local government election in England,"(**19**);

(b) ym mharagraff (7)(a), yn lle'r geiriau o "under Schedule 4" hyd at y diwedd rhodder "has been made under Schedule 4;"(**20**).

(3) Yn rheoliad 60ZA(1) (gofyniad i hysbysu etholwyr a dirprwyon penodol fod hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy'r post i ddod i ben), hepgorer "in England"(**21**).

(4) Yn rheoliad 60A(A1) (gofyniad i ddarparu llofnodion newydd ar ysbeidiau), hepgorer "in England"(**22**).

RHAN 3

GOFYNION CYFFREDINOL AR GYFER CEISIADAU PLEIDLEISIO ABSENNOL DATGANOLEDIG PERTHNASOL – RHIF YSWIRIANT GWLADOL

Cyflwyniad i Ran 3

9. Mae'r Rhan hon yn cynnwys darpariaeth sy'n ei gwneud yn ofynnol i bob cais pleidleisio absennol datganoledig perthnasol ar gyfer etholiadau'r Senedd ac etholiadau llywodraeth leol yng Nghymru gynnwys rhif yswiriant gwladol y ceisydd, neu'r rheswm pam nad oes modd iddo ei ddarparu.

Etholiadau'r Senedd

10. Ym mharagraff 1 o Atodlen 1 i Orchymyn 2025 (pleidleisio absennol yn etholiadau'r Senedd), ar ôl is-baragraff (1)(a) mewnosoder—

"(aa) rhif yswiriant gwladol y ceisydd neu, os nad oes modd i'r ceisydd ddarparu'r wybodaeth honno, y rheswm pam nad oes modd i'r ceisydd wneud hynny,".

(**19**) Mewnosodwyd rheoliad 57(1A) gan reoliad 5(9)(a) o O.S. 2023/1147.
(**20**) Mewnosodwyd rheoliad 57(7) gan reoliad 5(9)(d) o O.S. 2023/1147.
(**21**) Mewnosodwyd rheoliad 60ZA gan reoliad 5(10) o O.S. 2023/1147.
(**22**) Mewnosodwyd rheoliad 60A(A1) gan reoliad 5(11) o O.S. 2023/1147.

Etholiadau llywodraeth leol

11. Mae Rheoliadau 2001 wedi eu diwygio yn unol â rheoliadau 12 a 13.

Diwygio Rhan 1 (cyffredinol, dehongli ac amrywiol)

12. Yn rheoliad 3(1) (dehongli), yn y lle priodol yn nhrefn yr wyddor, mewnosoder—

> ""relevant devolved absent voting applications" means an application (including a partially completed application) under paragraph 3, 4 or 6 of Schedule 4 to 2000 Act in relation to a local government election, or local government elections, in Wales;".

Diwygio Rhan 4 (pleidleiswyr absennol)

13. Yn rheoliad 51(2)(aa) o Reoliadau 2001 (gofynion cyffredinol ar gyfer ceisiadau am bleidlais absennol)(**23**), ar ôl "for a relevant absent voting application," mewnosoder "or a relevant devolved absent voting application".

RHAN 4

DEFNYDDIO GWASANAETH DIGIDOL Y DU AR GYFER CEISIADAU PLEIDLEISIO ABSENNOL DATGANOLEDIG PERTHNASOL

Etholiadau'r Senedd

14. Mae Gorchymyn 2025 wedi ei ddiwygio yn unol â rheoliadau 15 ac 16.

Diwygio Rhan 1 (cyffredinol)

15. Yn erthygl 2(1) (dehongli), ym mharagraff (1), yn y lle priodol yn nhrefn yr wyddor, mewnosoder—

> "ystyr "cais pleidleisio absennol" ("*absent voting application*") yw cais, gan gynnwys cais a gwblheir yn rhannol, a wneir o dan erthygl 6 (pleidlais absennol yn etholiadau'r Senedd), 7 (pleidlais absennol mewn etholiad penodol i'r Senedd), 9 (dirprwyon yn etholiadau'r Senedd) neu 10 (pleidleisio fel dirprwy yn etholiadau'r Senedd);
>
> mae i "gwasanaeth digidol y DU" yr un ystyr ag a roddir i "UK digital service" yn adran 13B(8) o Ddeddf Llywodraeth Cymru 2006;"(**24**)."

Diwygio Atodlen 1 (pleidleisio absennol yn etholiadau'r Senedd)

16. Ym mharagraff 1 o Atodlen 1 (gofynion cyffredinol ar gyfer ceisiadau am bleidlais absennol), ar ôl is-baragraff (6), mewnosoder—

> "(6A) Os, yn rhinwedd trefniadau a wneir gan Weinidog y Goron, gwneir cais pleidleisio absennol drwy wasanaeth digidol y DU—
>
> (a) caiff Gweinidog y Goron gwblhau'r cais yn rhannol gan ddefnyddio gwybodaeth a ddarperir gan y ceisydd fel rhan o gais, neu gais a gwblheir

(**23**) Mewnosodwyd rheoliad 51(2)(aa) gan reoliad 5(3)(a) o O.S. 2023/1147.
(**24**) Mewnosodwyd adran 13B(8) gan adran 3 o Ddeddf Pleidleisio Absennol (Etholiadau yng Nghymru a'r Alban) 2025 (p. 27).

yn rhannol, a wneir o dan adran 10ZC neu 10ZD o Ddeddf 1983(**25**) i'w gofrestru mewn cofrestr etholwyr, neu i addasu cofrestr etholwyr, pan fo'r cais hwnnw wedi ei wneud drwy wasanaeth digidol y DU neu wedi ei gwblhau gan ddefnyddio'r gwasanaeth hwnnw,

(b) rhaid i'r cais gynnwys llun neu sgan electronig sy'n cydymffurfio o lofnod y ceisydd os yw'n ofynnol i'r cais gynnwys llofnod, ac

(c) rhaid i Weinidog y Goron—

(i) gofyn am i'r ceisydd ddarparu ei enw blaenorol mwyaf diweddar, os oes ganddo un, a

(ii) darparu eglurhad o'r diben y defnyddir yr wybodaeth ar ei gyfer.

(6B) Yn is-baragraff (6A)(b), ystyr "llun neu sgan electronig sy'n cydymffurfio o lofnod y ceisydd" yw—

(a) bod y llofnod a gynhwysir yn y llun neu sgan electronig yn cydymffurfio â gofynion is-baragraff (3)(a), a

(b) bod y llun neu sgan electronig o'r llofnod yn ddigon clir a diamwys i gydymffurfio â gofynion is-baragraff (3)(a).

(6C) Os nad oes modd i geisydd ddarparu rhif yswiriant gwladol yn unol ag is-baragraff (1)(aa) fel rhan o'r cais, caiff y ceisydd ddarparu copi o unrhyw un o'r dogfennau a restrir ym mharagraff 11B(2) i (4)(**26**).

(6D) Caniateir i ddogfen a ddarperir o dan is-baragraff (6C) gael ei throsglwyddo gan geisydd drwy ddulliau electronig.

(6E) Rhaid i Weinidog y Goron anfon at y swyddog cofrestru—

(a) unrhyw gais pleidleisio absennol sy'n dod i law Gweinidog y Goron, yn ddarostyngedig i is-baragraff (6F),

(b) enw blaenorol y ceisydd (os darparwyd unrhyw un),

(c) unrhyw ddogfennaeth gopi a ddarparwyd gan y ceisydd yn unol ag is-baragraff (6C), a

(d) rhif cyfeirnod unigryw i'r cais hwnnw.

(6F) Os yw cais pleidleisio absennol a wneir drwy wasanaeth digidol y DU yn unol ag is-baragraff (6A) yn cynnwys rhif yswiriant gwladol y ceisydd—

(a) caiff Gweinidog y Goron anfon y cais hwnnw at y swyddog cofrestru heb y rhif yswiriant gwladol, a

(b) pan fo Gweinidog y Goron yn gwneud hynny, rhaid iddo ddangos i'r swyddog cofrestru fod rhif yswiriant gwladol wedi ei gynnwys pan wnaed y cais gan y ceisydd."

Etholiadau llywodraeth leol

17. Mae Rheoliadau 2001 wedi eu diwygio yn unol â rheoliadau 18 a 19.

(**25**) Mewnosodwyd adran 10ZC gan adran 1(1) o Ddeddf Cofrestru a Gweinyddu Etholiadol 2013 (p. 6) ("Deddf 2013") ac fe'i diwygiwyd gan adran 6(2) o Ddeddf yr Alban 2016 (p. 11) ("Deddf 2016") ac adran 7(2) i (4) o Ddeddf Cymru 2017 (p. 4) ("Deddf 2017"). Ychwanegwyd adran 10ZD gan baragraff 1 o Atodlen 1 i Ddeddf 2013 ac fe'i diwygiwyd gan adran 6(3) o Ddeddf 2016 ac adran 7(6) i (8) o Ddeddf 2017.

(**26**) Mae paragraff 11B o Atodlen 1 i Orchymyn 2025 wedi ei fewnosod gan reoliad 20 o'r Rheoliadau hyn.

Diwygio Rhan 1 (cyffredinol, dehongli ac amrywiol)

18. Yn rheoliad 3(1) (dehongli)(**27**), yn y diffiniad o "digital service", ym mharagraff (a), ar y diwedd mewnosoder "or relevant devolved absent voting applications".

Diwygio Rhan 4 (pleidleiswyr absennol)

19. Yn rheoliad 51 (gofynion cyffredinol ar gyfer ceisiadau am bleidlais absennol)(**28**)—

(a) yng ngeiriau agoriadol paragraff (7), ar ôl "relevant absent voting application" mewnosoder "or a relevant devolved absent voting application";

(b) ym mharagraff (10)(a), ar ôl "relevant absent voting application" mewnosoder "or relevant devolved absent voting application";

(c) yng ngeiriau agoriadol paragraff (11), ar ôl "relevant absent voting application" mewnosoder "or a relevant devolved absent voting application".

RHAN 5

GWIRHAU GWYBODAETH A DDARPERIR MEWN CAIS PLEIDLEISIO ABSENNOL DATGANOLEDIG PERTHNASOL, PŴER I OFYN AM DYSTIOLAETH YCHWANEGOL A PHROSESU GWYBODAETH A DDARPERIR

Etholiadau'r Senedd

20. Yn Atodlen 1 i Orchymyn 2025 (pleidleisio absennol yn etholiadau'r Senedd), ar ôl paragraff 11 (y dyddiadau cau ar gyfer ceisiadau), mewnosoder—

"Gwirhau gwybodaeth a ddarperir mewn cais pleidleisio absennol

11A.—(1) Pan ddaw cais pleidleisio absennol i law heblaw drwy wasanaeth digidol y DU, rhaid i swyddog cofrestru ddatgelu enw neu enwau'r ceisydd, ei gyfeiriad, ei ddyddiad geni a'i rif yswiriant gwladol ("yr wybodaeth cam cyntaf") i'r Ysgrifennydd Gwladol dros Dai, Cymunedau a Llywodraeth Leol mewn unrhyw fformat a thrwy unrhyw system seilwaith y mae'r Ysgrifennydd Gwladol dros Dai, Cymunedau a Llywodraeth Leol wedi hysbysu'r swyddog cofrestru amdanynt mewn ysgrifen.

(2) Ar ôl i'r wybodaeth cam cyntaf ddod i law oddi wrth y swyddog cofrestru neu, yn achos cais a wneir gan geisydd drwy wasanaeth digidol y DU neu a gwblheir yn rhannol gan ddefnyddio'r gwasanaeth hwnnw, oddi wrth geisydd, caiff yr Ysgrifennydd Gwladol dros Dai, Cymunedau a Llywodraeth Leol ddatgelu'r wybodaeth cam cyntaf i'r Ysgrifennydd Gwladol dros Waith a Phensiynau.

(3) Os yw'r wybodaeth cam cyntaf wedi ei datgelu i'r Ysgrifennydd Gwladol dros Waith a Phensiynau o dan is-baragraff (2), caiff yr Ysgrifennydd Gwladol dros Waith a Phensiynau ei chymharu yn erbyn—

(a) enw, cyfeiriad, dyddiad geni a rhif yswiriant gwladol unigolion sy'n ymddangos yn y mathau a ganlyn o ddata a gedwir gan yr Ysgrifennydd Gwladol—

(**27**) Gwnaed diwygiadau perthnasol gan reoliad 3(2)(a)(i) o O.S. 2023/1147 a chan erthygl 8 o O.S. 2024/991 a pharagraff 16(2) o'r Atodlen iddo.
(**28**) Mewnosodwyd paragraffau (7) i (11) gan reoliad 5(3)(c) o O.S. 2023/1147.

(i) data a gedwir at ddibenion swyddogaethau sy'n ymwneud â nawdd cymdeithasol, gan gynnwys yr wybodaeth honno a gedwir ar ran yr Adran Datblygu Cymdeithasol, a

(ii) data sy'n ymwneud â chredyd treth gwaith, credyd treth plant a budd-dal plant, sef gwybodaeth a gedwir ar ran Cyllid a Thollau Ei Fawrhydi, a

(b) unrhyw wybodaeth arall a gynhwysir yn y mathau hynny o ddata sy'n ymwneud â'r wybodaeth a ddatgelir o dan is-baragraff (2).

(4) Caiff yr Ysgrifennydd Gwladol dros Waith a Phensiynau ddatgelu canlyniadau cymharu'r wybodaeth cam cyntaf o dan is-baragraff (3) ("yr wybodaeth ail gam") i'r Ysgrifennydd Gwladol dros Dai, Cymunedau a Llywodraeth Leol.

(5) Pan ddaw'r wybodaeth ail gam i law, caiff yr Ysgrifennydd Gwladol dros Dai, Cymunedau a Llywodraeth Leol ddatgelu'r wybodaeth honno—

(a) i'r Ysgrifennydd Gwladol dros Waith a Phensiynau, neu

(b) i'r swyddog cofrestru y gwnaed y cais iddo neu, yn achos cais a wnaed drwy wasanaeth digidol y DU, i'r swyddog cofrestru a benodir ar gyfer y gofrestr y mae'r cais yn ymwneud â hi.

(6) Mae is-baragraff (3) yn gymwys i'r wybodaeth ail gam pan fo wedi ei datgelu i'r Ysgrifennydd Gwladol dros Waith a Phensiynau o dan is-baragraff (5)(a) fel y mae'n gymwys i'r wybodaeth cam cyntaf a ddatgelir o dan is-baragraff (2).

(7) Caiff yr Ysgrifennydd Gwladol dros Waith a Phensiynau ddatgelu canlyniadau cymharu'r wybodaeth ail gam o dan is-baragraff (6) ("yr wybodaeth trydydd cam") i'r Ysgrifennydd Gwladol dros Dai, Cymunedau a Llywodraeth Leol.

(8) Pan ddaw'r wybodaeth trydydd cam i law, caiff yr Ysgrifennydd Gwladol dros Dai, Cymunedau a Llywodraeth Leol—

(a) cymharu'r wybodaeth trydydd cam â'r wybodaeth a ddarparwyd yn y cais pleidleisio absennol, a

(b) hysbysu'r swyddog cofrestru y gwnaed y cais iddo neu, yn achos cais a wnaed drwy wasanaeth digidol y DU, y swyddog cofrestru a benodir ar gyfer y gofrestr y mae'r cais yn ymwneud â hi, o ran a fu i'r gymhariaeth yn is-baragraff 8(a) arwain at gyfatebiaeth.

(9) Pan fydd yn penderfynu'r cais, rhaid i'r swyddog cofrestru ystyried unrhyw wybodaeth a ddatgelir gan yr Ysgrifennydd Gwladol dros Dai, Cymunedau a Llywodraeth Leol, neu unrhyw hysbysiad sy'n dod i law oddi wrtho, yn unol â'r paragraff hwn.

(10) Nid yw'r paragraff hwn yn gymwys mewn perthynas â chais o dan erthygl 7(2)—

(a) sy'n dod i law'r swyddog cofrestru ar ôl 5.00 p.m. ar y chweched diwrnod cyn diwrnod y pôl yn yr etholiad y gwneir y cais ar ei gyfer, na

(b) os yw paragraff 11(3) neu (3A) yn gymwys.

(11) Yn is-baragraff (1)—

(a) mae i "system seilwaith" yr ystyr a roddir i "infrastructure system" ym mharagraff 7 o Atodlen 3A i Ddeddf Cyfathrebiadau 2003(**29**);

(**29**) 2003 p. 21. Mewnosodwyd Atodlen 3A gan adran 4(2) o Ddeddf yr Economi Ddigidol 2017 (p. 30) ac Atodlen 1 iddi.

(b) mae'r cyfeiriad at gyfeiriad y ceisydd yn gyfeiriad at y cyfeiriad a gynhwysir yn y cais o dan baragraff 1(1)(b).

Pŵer i ofyn am dystiolaeth ychwanegol mewn perthynas â cheisiadau pleidleisio absennol pan fo swyddog cofrestru yn ystyried ei bod yn angenrheidiol

11B.—(1) Mae'r paragraff hwn yn gymwys pan fo swyddog cofrestru, ar ôl i gais pleidleisio absennol ddod i law, yn ystyried bod angen tystiolaeth ychwanegol i wirhau pwy yw'r ceisydd.

(2) Caiff y swyddog cofrestru ei gwneud yn ofynnol i'r ceisydd ddarparu i'r swyddog cofrestru gopi, neu pan fo'r swyddog cofrestru'n ystyried ei bod yn briodol, y gwreiddiol, o un o'r dogfennau a ganlyn—

(a) pasbort y ceisydd;

(b) cerdyn adnabod y ceisydd a ddyroddwyd yn yr Ardal Economaidd Ewropeaidd;

(c) dogfen fewnfudo fiometrig y ceisydd a ddyroddwyd yn y Deyrnas Unedig yn unol â rheoliadau a wneir o dan adran 5 o Ddeddf Ffiniau'r DU 2007(**30**);

(d) cerdyn adnabod etholiadol y ceisydd a ddyroddwyd yng Ngogledd Iwerddon;

(e) trwydded yrru cerdyn llun y ceisydd a roddwyd yn y Deyrnas Unedig neu drwydded yrru a roddwyd gan Diriogaeth Ddibynnol ar y Goron ac arni lun o'r ceisydd.

(3) Os nad oes modd i geisydd ddarparu un o'r dogfennau yn is-baragraff (2), caiff y swyddog cofrestru ei gwneud yn ofynnol i'r ceisydd ddarparu i'r swyddog cofrestru gopi, neu pan fo'r swyddog cofrestru'n ystyried ei bod yn briodol, y gwreiddiol—

(a) o un o'r dogfennau a ganlyn y mae'n rhaid iddi, ac eithrio mewn perthynas â pharagraff (vii), fod wedi ei dyroddi yn y Deyrnas Unedig neu mewn Tiriogaeth Ddibynnol ar y Goron—

(i) tystysgrif geni'r ceisydd;

(ii) tystysgrif priodas neu bartneriaeth sifil y ceisydd;

(iii) tystysgrif mabwysiadu'r ceisydd;

(iv) tystysgrif arfau tanio'r ceisydd a roddwyd o dan Ddeddf Arfau Tanio 1968(**31**);

(v) cofnod ynglŷn â phenderfyniad ar fechnïaeth a wnaed mewn cysylltiad â'r ceisydd yn unol ag adran 5(1) o Ddeddf Mechnïaeth 1976(**32**);

(vi) trwydded yrru'r ceisydd, nad yw ar ffurf cerdyn llun;

(vii) trwydded yrru'r ceisydd, a roddwyd heblaw yn y Deyrnas Unedig neu mewn Tiriogaethau Dibynnol ar y Goron, ac arni lun o'r ceisydd ac y mae rhaid iddi fod yn ddilys am o leiaf 12 mis o'r dyddiad y daeth y ceisydd i'r Deyrnas Unedig, a

(**30**) 2007 p. 30. Diwygiwyd adran 5(6) gan baragraff 19 o'r Atodlen i Ddeddf Dogfennau Adnabod 2010 (p. 40).
(**31**) 1968 p. 27.
(**32**) 1976 p. 63. Diwygiwyd adran 5(1) gan adran 27(3) o Ddeddf Cyfiawnder Troseddol a Threfn Gyhoeddus 1994 (p. 33) a pharagraff 1(a) o Atodlen 3 iddi, a chan Ran 12 o Atodlen 37 i Ddeddf Cyfiawnder Troseddol 2003 (p. 44).

(b) dwy ddogfen arall, y caniateir i'r naill a'r llall ohonynt fod naill ai o is-baragraff (3)(a) neu o is-baragraff (4)(a) i (e).

(4) Os nad oes modd i'r ceisydd ddarparu dogfennau yn unol ag is-baragraff (3), caiff y swyddog cofrestru ei gwneud yn ofynnol bod y ceisydd yn darparu i'r swyddog cofrestru gopi, neu pan fo'r swyddog cofrestru yn ystyried ei bod yn briodol, y gwreiddiol, o bedair dogfen, y caniateir i bob un ohonynt fod yn unrhyw un o'r mathau a ganlyn o dystiolaeth ac y mae rhaid iddi ddwyn enw llawn y ceisydd—

(a) datganiad ariannol, gan gynnwys y canlynol, ond heb fod yn gyfyngedig iddynt—

(i) datganiad morgais;

(ii) datganiad banc neu gymdeithas adeiladu neu lythyr oddi wrth fanc neu gymdeithas adeiladu yn cadarnhau bod y ceisydd wedi agor cyfrif gyda'r banc hwnnw neu'r gymdeithas adeiladu honno;

(iii) datganiad cerdyn credyd;

(iv) datganiad pensiwn;

(b) llythyr galw am dalu'r dreth gyngor neu ddatganiad y dreth gyngor;

(c) bil cyfleustodau;

(d) Ffurflen P45 neu Ffurflen P60 a ddyroddwyd i'r ceisydd gan ei gyflogwr neu gyn-gyflogwr;

(e) datganiad ynglŷn â budd-daliadau neu hawlogaeth i fudd-daliadau, megis datganiad ynglŷn â budd-dal plant, o fewn ystyr adran 141 o Ddeddf Cyfraniadau a Budd-daliadau Nawdd Cymdeithasol 1992(**33**), neu lythyr yn cadarnhau bod gan y ceisydd hawlogaeth i fudd-dal tai, o fewn ystyr adran 130 o'r Ddeddf honno(**34**).

(5) Os nad oes modd i geisydd ddarparu'r dystiolaeth ddogfennol sy'n ofynnol gan is-baragraffau (2) i (4), caiff y swyddog cofrestru ei gwneud yn ofynnol bod y ceisydd yn darparu ardystiad y mae rhaid iddo—

(a) cadarnhau mai'r ceisydd yw'r person a enwir yn y cais,

(b) datgan bod y person sy'n llofnodi'r ardystiad yn ymwybodol o'r gosb am ddarparu gwybodaeth ffug i swyddog cofrestru,

(c) bod mewn ysgrifen a bod wedi ei lofnodi gan berson—

(i) y mae'r swyddog cofrestru wedi ei fodloni ei fod yn berson ag enw da yn y gymuned,

(ii) sydd wedi ei gofrestru fel etholwr mewn ardal awdurdod lleol yng Nghymru neu Loegr,

(iii) nad yw'n briod, yn bartner sifil, yn rhiant, yn daid/tad-cu neu'n nain/mam-gu, yn frawd, yn chwaer, yn blentyn nac yn ŵyr neu'n wyres i'r ceisydd, a

(iv) nad yw eisoes wedi llofnodi ardystiad hunaniaeth perthnasol ar gyfer unrhyw geiswyr eraill ers, pa un bynnag o'r dyddiadau canlynol sydd hwyraf—

(**33**) 1992 (p. 4). Diwygiwyd adran 141 gan adran 1(1) o Ddeddf Budd-dal Plant 2005 (p. 6).

(**34**) Diwygiwyd adran 130 gan adran 103 o Ddeddf Cyllid Llywodraeth Leol 1992 (p. 14) a pharagraff 3 o Atodlen 9 iddi, gan adran 227 o Ddeddf Tai 1996 (p. 52) a Rhan 6 o Atodlen 19 iddi, a chan adrannau 30(1) a 40 o Ddeddf Diwygio Lles 2007 (p. 5) a pharagraff 1(3) o Atodlen 5 iddi. Mae wedi ei diwygio yn rhagolygol gan adran 96 o Ddeddf Llywodraeth Leol 2000 (p. 22) ac mae wedi ei diddymu yn rhagolygol gan Ran 1 o Atodlen 14 i Ddeddf Diwygio Lles 2012 (p. 5), o ddyddiad ac amser sydd i'w pennu.

(aa) y dyddiad y cyhoeddwyd y gofrestr ddiwygiedig y mae enw'r person hwnnw'n ymddangos ynddi ddiwethaf o dan adran 13(1) o Ddeddf 1983(**35**), neu

(bb) y dyddiad y dyroddwyd hysbysiad yn pennu cofnod y person hwnnw yn y gofrestr o dan adran 13A(2), 13AB(2), 13B neu 13BC o'r Ddeddf honno(**36**), ac os bu mwy nag un hysbysiad o'r fath, y dyddiad y dyroddwyd yr un diwethaf;

(d) datgan enw llawn, dyddiad geni, cyfeiriad, rhif etholiadol a galwedigaeth y person sy'n llofnodi'r ardystiad, ac

(e) datgan ar ba ddyddiad y'i gwneir.

(6) Caniateir i unrhyw ddogfen a ddarperir yn unol â'r paragraff hwn gael ei throsglwyddo gan geisydd i swyddog cofrestru drwy ddulliau electronig.

(7) Yn is-baragraff (5)(c)(iv), "ardystiad hunaniaeth perthnasol" yw ardystiad a ddarperir yn unol ag—

(a) is-baragraff (5);

(b) rheoliadau 26B(6) neu (6ZA) neu 56C(5A) neu (6) o Reoliadau 2001(**37**);

(c) rheoliad 26B(6) neu (6ZA) neu 56C(5A) neu (6) o Reoliadau Cynrychiolaeth y Bobl (Yr Alban) 2001(**38**);

(d) rheoliad 11B(5) o Reoliadau Cynrychiolaeth y Bobl (Pleidleisio Absennol mewn Etholiadau Llywodraeth Leol) (Yr Alban) 2007(**39**);

(e) rheoliad 25A(3) o Reoliadau Cynrychiolaeth y Bobl (Gogledd Iwerddon) 2008(**40**);

(f) paragraff 16C(5) o Atodlen 2 i Orchymyn Etholiadau Comisiynwyr Heddlu a Throseddu 2012(**41**);

(**35**) Amnewidiwyd adran 13 gan adran 8(a) o Ddeddf Cynrychiolaeth y Bobl 2000 (p. 2) a pharagraff 6 o Atodlen 1 iddi. Amnewidiwyd adran 13(1) ymhellach gan adran 5(1) o Ddeddf Gogledd Iwerddon (Darpariaethau Amrywiol) 2006 (p. 33).

(**36**) Mewnosodwyd adrannau 13A a 13B gan adran 8(a) o Ddeddf Cynrychiolaeth y Bobl 2000 (p. 2) a pharagraff 6 o Atodlen 1 iddi. Diwygiwyd adran 13A(2) gan adran 30(1) o Ddeddf Gogledd Iwerddon (Darpariaethau Amrywiol) 2006 ("Deddf 2006") a pharagraff 4(3) o Atodlen 4 iddi; mae offerynnau diwygio eraill nad ydynt yn berthnasol i'r Rheoliadau hyn. Mewnosodwyd adran 13AB gan adran 16(3) o Ddeddf Cofrestru a Gweinyddu Etholiadol 2013 (p. 6) ("Deddf 2013"), y mae diwygiadau iddi nad ydynt yn berthnasol i'r Rheoliadau hyn. Diwygiwyd adran 13B gan adran 11 o Ddeddf Gweinyddu Etholiadol 2006 (p. 22), gan adran 6(1) o Ddeddf 2006, gan adran 74 o Ddeddf Diwygio'r Heddlu a Chyfrifoldeb Cymdeithasol 2011 (p. 13) a pharagraff 3 o Atodlen 10 iddi, gan adran 13(1) o Ddeddf 2013 a pharagraff 13 o Atodlen 4 iddi, gan adran 10(6) o Ddeddf Adalw Aelodau Seneddol 2015 (p. 25) ("Deddf 2015") a pharagraff 5 o Atodlen 2 iddi, a chan Ran 1 o Atodlen 1 i O.S. 2018/1310. Mae wedi ei diwygio yn rhagolygol gan adran 18(8) o Ddeddf Llywodraeth Leol ac Etholiadau (Cymru) 2021 (dsc 1) o ddyddiad ac amser sydd i'w pennu, ond mae adran 18 o'r Ddeddf honno wedi ei diwygio yn rhagolygol gan adran 3 o Ddeddf Etholiadau a Chyrff Etholedig (Cymru) 2024 (dsc 5) o ddyddiad ac amser sydd i'w pennu. Mewnosodwyd adran 13BC gan adran 10(6) o Ddeddf 2015 a pharagraff 7 o Atodlen 2 iddi.

(**37**) Mewnosodwyd rheoliad 26B gan reoliad 11 o O.S. 2013/3198. Diwygiwyd paragraff (6) gan reoliad 5 o O.S. 2016/694, gan reoliad 4 o O.S. 2018/312 a chan reoliad 5(8) o O.S. 2023/1406. Mewnosodwyd paragraff (6ZA) gan reoliad 5(8)(f) o O.S. 2023/1406. Mewnosodwyd rheoliad 56C gan reoliad 5(8) o O.S. 2023/1147. Mewnosodwyd paragraff (5A) gan reoliad 6(2)(a) o O.S. 2023/1406. Diwygiwyd paragraff (6) yn ddiweddarach gan reoliad 6(2)(b) o O.S. 2023/1406.

(**38**) O.S. 2001/497. Mewnosodwyd rheoliad 26B gan reoliad 11 o O.S. 2013/3206. Diwygiwyd paragraff (6) gan reoliad 5 o O.S. 2017/604 a chan reoliad 10(7) o O.S. 2023/1406. Mewnosodwyd paragraff (6ZA) gan reoliad 10(7)(f) o O.S. 2023/1406. Mewnosodwyd rheoliad 56C gan reoliad 10(8) o O.S. 2023/1147. Mewnosodwyd paragraff (5A) gan reoliad 11(2)(a) o O.S. 2023/1406. Diwygiwyd paragraff (6) yn ddiweddarach gan reoliad 11(2)(b) o O.S. 2023/1406.

(**39**) O.S.A. 2007/170. Mewnosodwyd rheoliad 11B(5) gan reoliad 12 o O.S.A. 2026/122.

(**40**) O.S. 2008/1741. Mewnosodwyd rheoliad 25A gan reoliad 11 o O.S. 2024/43.

(**41**) O.S. 2012/1917. Mewnosodwyd paragraff 16C o Atodlen 2 gan reoliad 17 o O.S. 2023/1147. Amnewidiwyd is-baragraff (5) yn ddiweddarach gan reoliad 12 o O.S. 2023/1406.

(g) paragraff 9B(5) o Atodlen 3 i Orchymyn Senedd yr Alban (Etholiadau etc.) 2015(**42**);

(h) rheoliad 72B(5A) neu (6) o Reoliadau Deddf Adalw Aelodau Seneddol 2015 (Deiseb Adalw) 2016(**43**);

(i) rheoliad 7(6) o Reoliadau Hunaniaeth Pleidleiswyr 2022(**44**).

(8) Nid yw is-baragraffau (2) i (5) yn gymwys pan fo'r ceisydd wedi ei gofrestru, neu wedi gwneud cais i gael ei gofrestru, yn unol ag unrhyw un o'r datganiadau a ganlyn—

(a) datganiad o wasanaeth ar y sail bod y ceisydd yn was i'r Goron neu'n briod neu'n bartner sifil i was i'r Goron;

(b) datganiad o wasanaeth ar y sail bod y ceisydd yn aelod o'r lluoedd;

(c) datganiad o wasanaeth ar y sail bod y ceisydd yn briod neu'n bartner sifil i aelod o'r lluoedd.

(9) Os yw is-baragraff (8)(a) neu (c) yn gymwys i gais, caiff y swyddog cofrestru ei gwneud yn ofynnol bod y ceisydd yn darparu i'r swyddog cofrestru gopi, neu pan fo'r swyddog cofrestru'n ystyried ei bod yn briodol, y gwreiddiol, o un o'r dogfennau a ganlyn, sydd wedi ei hardystio gan was i'r Goron neu gyflogai i'r Cyngor Prydeinig neu gan swyddog o'r lluoedd, nad yw'n briod nac yn bartner sifil i'r ceisydd—

(a) pasbort y ceisydd;

(b) cerdyn adnabod y ceisydd a ddyroddwyd yn yr Ardal Economaidd Ewropeaidd.

(10) Os yw is-baragraff (8)(b) yn gymwys i gais, caiff y swyddog cofrestru ei gwneud yn ofynnol bod y ceisydd yn darparu ardystiad y mae rhaid iddo—

(a) cadarnhau mai'r ceisydd yw'r person a enwir yn y cais,

(b) bod mewn ysgrifen a bod wedi ei lofnodi gan swyddog o'r lluoedd nad yw'n briod, yn bartner sifil, yn rhiant, yn daid/tad-cu neu'n nain/mam-gu, yn frawd, yn chwaer, yn blentyn nac yn ŵyr neu'n wyres i'r ceisydd,

(c) datgan enw llawn, cyfeiriad a rheng y person sy'n llofnodi'r ardystiad, a'r gwasanaeth, pa un ai'r lluoedd llyngesol, milwrol neu awyr, y mae'n gwasanaethu ynddo, a

(d) datgan ar ba ddyddiad y'i gwneir.

(11) Caniateir i ddogfen neu ardystiad a ddarperir o dan y paragraff hwn gael ei throsglwyddo neu ei drosglwyddo gan geisydd drwy ddulliau electronig.

(12) Yn y paragraff hwn—

mae i "aelod o'r lluoedd" yr un ystyr ag a roddir i "member of the forces" yn adran 59(1) o Ddeddf 1983(**45**);

mae i "datganiad o wasanaeth" yr un ystyr ag a roddir i "service declaration" yn adran 202(1) o Ddeddf 1983;

ystyr "swyddog o'r lluoedd" yw aelod o'r lluoedd sydd yn swyddog;

(**42**) O.S.A. 2015/425. Mewnosodwyd paragraff 9B(5) o Atodlen 3 gan erthygl 9 o O.S.A. 2026/121.
(**43**) O.S. 2016/295. Mewnosodwyd rheoliad 72B gan reoliad 19 o O.S. 2023/1147. Mewnosodwyd is-baragraff (5A) gan reoliad 13(5) o O.S. 2023/1406. Diwygiwyd is-baragraff (6) yn ddiweddarach gan reoliad 13(5) o O.S. 2023/1406.
(**44**) O.S. 2022/1382.
(**45**) Diwygiwyd adran 59(1) gan adran 1 o Ddeddf Cynrychiolaeth y Bobl 1993 (p. 29).

ystyr “Tiriogaeth Ddibynnol ar y Goron” yw Beilïaeth Jersey, Beilïaeth Guernsey neu Ynys Manaw.

(13) Nid yw’r paragraff hwn yn gymwys mewn perthynas â chais o dan erthygl 7(2)—

(a) sy’n dod i law’r swyddog cofrestru ar ôl 5.00 p.m. ar y chweched diwrnod cyn diwrnod y pôl yn yr etholiad y gwneir y cais ar ei gyfer, na

(b) pan fo paragraff 11(3) neu (3A) yn gymwys.

Prosesu gwybodaeth a ddarperir mewn cysylltiad â chais pleidleisio absennol

11C.—(1) Os yw person yn darparu dogfen wreiddiol o dan baragraff 11B, rhaid i’r swyddog cofrestru wneud copi o’r ddogfen honno a dychwelyd y ddogfen wreiddiol i’r person a’i darparodd.

(2) Mewn cysylltiad ag unrhyw gais pleidleisio absennol, hyd nes bod y cais wedi ei benderfynu, rhaid i’r swyddog cofrestru gadw—

(a) y ffurflen gais neu, yn achos cais a wneir drwy wasanaeth digidol y DU, yr wybodaeth a gynhwysir yn y cais a drosglwyddir i’r swyddog cofrestru gan yr Ysgrifennydd Gwladol;

(b) unrhyw wybodaeth arall neu ddogfennau eraill a ddarperir i’r swyddog cofrestru mewn cysylltiad â’r cais neu, yn achos dogfennau gwreiddiol a ddychwelir o dan is-baragraff (1), gopi o’r dogfennau hynny.

(3) Yn ddarostyngedig i is-baragraff (4), caiff y swyddog cofrestru gadw’r ffurflen gais, yr wybodaeth a’r dogfennau yn is-baragraff (2) ar ôl i’r cais gael ei benderfynu ond, os yw’n gwneud hynny, rhaid iddo ddileu rhif yswiriant gwladol y ceisydd o’r ffurflen gais, yr wybodaeth a’r dogfennau yn is-baragraff (2) erbyn y dyddiad nad yw’n hwyrach na 13 mis o’r dyddiad y penderfynodd y swyddog cofrestru y cais pleidleisio absennol.

(4) Nid yw’r gofyniad i ddileu’r rhif yswiriant gwladol yn is-baragraff (3) yn gymwys pan fo angen y cais, yr wybodaeth a’r dogfennau y cyfeirir atynt yn is-baragraff (2) at ddiben unrhyw achos sifil neu droseddol.

(5) Ni chaniateir datgelu gwybodaeth a ddatgelir o dan baragraff 11A i unrhyw berson arall, ac eithrio at ddibenion—

(a) penderfynu’r cais pleidleisio absennol y datgelwyd yr wybodaeth mewn cysylltiad ag ef, neu

(b) achos sifil neu droseddol.

(6) Mae person sy’n datgelu gwybodaeth yn groes i is-baragraff (5) yn euog o drosedd ac yn agored—

(a) ar euogfarn ar dditiad, i’w garcharu am gyfnod nad yw’n hwy na dwy flynedd, neu i ddirwy, neu’r ddau;

(b) ar euogfarn ddiannod, i’w garcharu am gyfnod nad yw’n hwy na’r terfyn cyffredinol mewn llys ynadon, neu i ddirwy, neu’r ddau.

(7) Rhaid i unrhyw wybodaeth a ddatgelir o dan baragraff 11A gael ei phrosesu yn unol ag unrhyw ofynion o ran prosesu gwybodaeth y gallai’r Ysgrifennydd Gwladol dros Dai, Cymunedau a Llywodraeth Leol fod wedi eu gosod mewn ysgrifen cyn y prosesu hwnnw, gan gynnwys gofynion o ran trosglwyddo, storio, dinistrio a diogelwch yr wybodaeth honno.

(8) Yn y paragraff hwn mae “copi” yn cynnwys copi electronig.”

Etholiadau Llywodraeth Leol

21.—(1) Mae Rhan 4 o Reoliadau 2001 (pleidleiswyr absennol) wedi ei diwygio fel a ganlyn.

(2) Yn rheoliad 56B (gwirhau gwybodaeth a ddarperir mewn cais pleidleisio absennol perthnasol)(**46**)—

(a) yn y pennawd, ar ôl "relevant absent voting application" mewnosoder "or a relevant devolved absent voting application";

(b) ym mharagraff (1), ar ôl "relevant absent voting application" mewnosoder "or a relevant devolved absent voting application";

(c) ym mharagraff (8)(a), ar ôl "relevant absent voting application" mewnosoder "or the relevant devolved absent voting application".

(3) Yn rheoliad 56C (pŵer i ofyn am dystiolaeth ychwanegol mewn perthynas â cheisiadau pleidleisio absennol perthnasol pan fo'r swyddog cofrestru yn ystyried ei bod yn angenrheidiol)(**47**)—

(a) yn y pennawd, ar ôl "relevant absent voting applications" mewnosoder "or relevant devolved absent voting applications";

(b) ym mharagraff (1), ar ôl "relevant absent voting application" mewnosoder "or a relevant devolved absent voting application";

(c) ym mharagraff (5), yn y geiriau cyn is-baragraff (a), ar ôl "Where" mewnosoder ", in relation to a relevant absent voting application,";

(d) ym mharagraff (8), ar ôl is-baragraff (f), mewnosoder—

"(g) paragraph 11B(5) of Schedule 1 to the Senedd Cymru (Representation of the People) Order 2025, in relation to a relevant devolved absent voting application.";

(e) ym mharagraff (9), yn y geiriau cyn is-baragraff (a), hepgorer "in England".

(4) Yn rheoliad 56D (prosesu gwybodaeth a ddarperir mewn cysylltiad â chais pleidleisio absennol perthnasol)(**48**)—

(a) yn y pennawd, ar ôl "relevant absent voting application" mewnosoder "or a relevant devolved absent voting application";

(b) ym mharagraff (2), yn y geiriau cyn is-baragraff (a), ar ôl "relevant absent voting application" mewnosoder "or relevant devolved absent voting application";

(c) ym mharagraff (3), ar ôl "relevant absent voting application" mewnosoder "or the relevant devolved absent voting application";

(d) ym mharagraff (5)(a), ar ôl "relevant absent voting application" mewnosoder "or the relevant devolved absent voting application";

(e) ym mharagraff (6), ar ôl "paragraph (5)" mewnosoder "in connection with a relevant absent voting application,".

(**46**) Mewnosodwyd rheoliad 56B gan reoliad 5(8) o O.S. 2023/1147 ac fe'i diwygiwyd yn ddiweddarach gan reoliad 8 o O.S. 2024/991 a pharagraff 16(10) o Ran 2 o'r Atodlen iddo.

(**47**) Mewnosodwyd rheoliad 56C gan reoliad 5(8) o O.S. 2023/1147 ac fe'i diwygiwyd yn ddiweddarach gan reoliad 6(2) o O.S. 2023/1406 a rheoliad 22(4) o O.S. 2024/43.

(**48**) Mewnosodwyd rheoliad 56D gan reoliad 5(8) o O.S. 2023/1147 a gwnaed diwygiadau perthnasol gan reoliad 8 o O.S. 2024/991 a pharagraff 16(11) o Ran 2 o'r Atodlen iddo.

RHAN 6

DIWYGIADAU CANLYNIADOL

Etholiadau'r Senedd

22. Mae Gorchymyn 2025 wedi ei ddiwygio yn unol â rheoliadau 23 a 24.

Diwygio Rhan 5 (amrywiol ac atodol)

23. Yn erthygl 141 (ceisiadau, hysbysiadau a llofnodion electronig)—

(a) ym mharagraff (1), yn y geiriau cyn is-baragraff (a), ar ôl "hysbysiad," mewnosoder "ardystiad a roddir o dan baragraff 11B(5) o Atodlen 1 (pleidleisio absennol yn etholiadau'r Senedd),";

(b) ar ôl paragraff (4), mewnosoder—

"(5) Nid yw paragraffau (2) i (4) yn gymwys mewn perthynas â chais pleidleisio absennol, y mae'r gofynion ar ei gyfer wedi eu nodi yn Atodlen 1 (pleidleisio absennol yn etholiadau'r Senedd)."

Diwygio Atodlen 1 (pleidleisio absennol yn etholiadau'r Senedd)

24.—(1) Mae Atodlen 1 (pleidleisio absennol yn etholiadau'r Senedd) wedi ei diwygio fel a ganlyn.

(2) Ym mharagraff 9 (gofynion ychwanegol ar gyfer ceisiadau i bleidleisio drwy ddirprwy mewn cysylltiad ag etholiad penodol i'r Senedd), ar ôl is-baragraff (7) mewnosoder—

"(7A) Os gwneir cais o dan erthygl 7(2) ar ôl 5.00 p.m. ar y chweched diwrnod cyn diwrnod y pôl yn yr etholiad y gwneir y cais ar ei gyfer am fod yr amgylchiadau a nodir ym mharagraff 11(3B)(a) yn gymwys, rhaid i'r cais, yn ogystal â darparu unrhyw wybodaeth arall, ddatgan ei fod yn cael ei wneud oherwydd yr amgylchiadau hynny."

(3) Ym mharagraff 11 (y dyddiadau cau ar gyfer ceisiadau), ar ôl is-baragraff (3) mewnosoder—

"(3A) Os gwneir cais o dan erthygl 7(2) neu 9(7) yn yr amgylchiadau a nodir yn is-baragraff (3B), rhaid gwrthod y cais os daw i law ar ôl 5.00 p.m. ar ddiwrnod y pôl yn yr etholiad y gwneir y cais ar ei gyfer.

(3B) Yr amgylchiadau yw—

(a) bod y ceisydd wedi cyflwyno'r cais am fod cais cynharach a gyflwynwyd gan y ceisydd hwnnw o dan erthygl 6(2) neu 9(6) i'w ddiystyru ar gyfer yr etholiad y gwneir y cais ar ei gyfer am fod y cais cynharach hwnnw—

(i) wedi ei gyflwyno cyn y dyddiad cau o 5.00 p.m. ar y chweched diwrnod cyn diwrnod y pôl yn yr etholiad y gwneir y cais ar ei gyfer,

(ii) wedi ei gyflwyno drwy wasanaeth digidol y DU, a

(iii) heb ddod i law'r swyddog cofrestru tan ar ôl y dyddiad cau o 5.00 p.m. ar y chweched diwrnod cyn diwrnod y pôl yn yr etholiad y gwneir y cais ar ei gyfer oherwydd diffyg technegol yn y gwasanaeth digidol, neu

(b) bod y cais yn bodloni'r amodau a bennir yn is-baragraffau (i), (ii) a (iii) o baragraff (a)."

Etholiadau Llywodraeth Leol

25. Mae Rheoliadau 2001 wedi eu diwygio yn unol â rheoliadau 26 i 28.

Diwygio Rhan 1 (cyffredinol, dehongli ac amrywiol)

26. Yn rheoliad 6(4) (llofnodion electronig a thystysgrifau cysylltiedig)(**49**), ar ôl "relevant absent voting application" mewnosoder "or a relevant devolved absent voting application".

Rhan 3 (cofrestru)

27.—(1) Mae Rhan 3 (cofrestru) wedi ei diwygio fel a ganlyn.

(2) Yn rheoliad 29ZB (prosesu gwybodaeth a ddarperir mewn cysylltiad â chais o dan adran 10ZC neu 10ZD)(**50**)—

(a) ym mharagraff (5)(aa)(i), ar ôl "relevant absent voting application" yn y ddau le y mae'n digwydd, mewnosoder "or relevant devolved absent voting application"

(b) ar ôl paragraff (5)(aa)(i) mewnosoder—

"(ia) an application for an absent vote made under article 6, 7, 9 or 10 of the Senedd Cymru (Representation of the People) Order 2025 by the same applicant where that information is used by the Secretary of State to complete in part that application by virtue of paragraph 1(6A) of Schedule 1 to that Order,".

(3) Yn rheoliad 35(4) (hawl swyddog cofrestru i edrych ar gofnodion penodol)(**51**), ar ôl "relevant absent voting application" mewnosoder "or a relevant devolved absent voting application".

(4) Yn rheoliad 35A(1) (datgelu cofnodion awdurdodau lleol penodol)(**52**), ar ôl "relevant absent voting application" mewnosoder "or a relevant devolved absent voting application".

Rhan 4 (pleidleisio absennol)

28. Yn rheoliad 56(3D) (y dyddiad cau ar gyfer ceisiadau)(**53**), ar ôl "paragraph (3F)" mewnosoder "in relation to a parliamentary election or a local government election in England or Wales".

RHAN 7

DARPARIAETHAU TROSIANNOL

Diffiniadau

29. Yn y Rhan hon—

(**49**) Mewnosodwyd rheoliad 6(4) gan reoliad 3(4) o O.S. 2023/1147.
(**50**) Mewnosodwyd rheoliad 29ZB(5)(aa) gan reoliad 4(3)(b)(ii) o O.S. 2023/1147 ac fe'i diwygiwyd yn ddiweddarach gan reoliad 5(12)(b)(ii) o O.S. 2023/1406.
(**51**) Mewnosodwyd rheoliad 35(4) gan reoliad 5(18) o O.S. 2023/1406.
(**52**) Mewnosodwyd rheoliad 35A gan reoliad 3 o O.S. 2014/1234 a diwygiwyd rheoliad 35A(1) yn ddiweddarach gan reoliad 5(19) o O.S. 2023/1406.
(**53**) Mewnosodwyd rheoliad 56(3D) gan reoliad 38(7)(d) o O.S. 2022/1382 ac fe'i diwygiwyd yn ddiweddarach gan reoliad 5(7)(a) o O.S. 2023/1147.

ystyr “cais pleidleisio absennol datganoledig” (“*devolved absent voting application*”) yw cais, gan gynnwys cais a gwblheir yn rhannol, a wneir o dan—

(a) erthygl 6, 7 neu 9 o Orchymyn 2025 mewn perthynas ag etholiad i’r Senedd, neu etholiadau’r Senedd, neu

(b) paragraff 3, 4 neu 6 o Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf 2000 mewn perthynas ag etholiad llywodraeth leol, neu etholiadau llywodraeth leol, yng Nghymru;

mae i “cyfeiriad cymhwysol” yr un ystyr ag a roddir i “qualifying address” yn adran 9(8)(b) o Ddeddf 1983(**54**);

ystyr “Deddf 1983” (“*1983 Act*”) yw Deddf Cynrychiolaeth y Bobl 1983(**55**);

ystyr “diwrnod perthnasol” (“*relevant day*”) yw 3 Tachwedd 2026;

mae i “etholiad seneddol” yr un ystyr ag a roddir i “parliamentary election” yn Atodlen 1 (geiriau ac ymadroddion wedi eu diffinio) i Ddeddf Dehongli 1978(**56**);

ystyr “etholwr” (“*elector*”), mewn perthynas ag etholiad, yw unrhyw berson y mae ganddo gofnod am y tro ar y gofrestr sydd i’w defnyddio yn yr etholiad hwnnw neu, yn achos person sydd â chofnod dienw yn y gofrestr, yn y cofnod o gofnodion dienw, ond nid yw’n cynnwys y rhai y mae’r gofrestr yn dangos eu bod o dan yr oedran pleidleisio ar y diwrnod a bennwyd ar gyfer y pôl;

ystyr “hawlogaeth i bleidlais absennol ddatganoledig” (“*devolved absent vote entitlement*”) yw hawlogaeth i bleidleisio drwy ddirprwy neu i bleidleisio drwy’r post, pan fo’r hawlogaeth wedi ei rhoi cyn y diwrnod perthnasol, mewn—

(a) etholiad i’r Senedd, neu etholiadau’r Senedd, ar gais o dan erthygl 6, 7 neu 9 o Orchymyn 2025, neu

(b) etholiad llywodraeth leol, neu etholiadau llywodraeth leol, yng Nghymru ar gais o dan baragraff 3, 4 neu 6 o Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf 2000;

ystyr “hawlogaeth i bleidlais absennol gadwedig” (“*reserved absent vote entitlement*”) yw hawlogaeth i bleidleisio drwy ddirprwy neu i bleidleisio drwy’r post, mewn etholiad seneddol, neu etholiadau seneddol, yng Nghymru, pan fo’r hawlogaeth wedi ei rhoi cyn y diwrnod perthnasol ar gais o dan baragraff 3, 4 neu 6 o Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf 2000;

ystyr “hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig” (“*devolved proxy vote entitlement*”) yw hawlogaeth i bleidleisio drwy ddirprwy, pan fo’r hawlogaeth wedi ei rhoi cyn y diwrnod perthnasol, mewn—

(a) etholiad i’r Senedd, neu etholiadau’r Senedd, ar gais o dan erthygl 6(2), 6(6), 7(2) neu 7(4) o Orchymyn 2025, neu

(b) etholiad llywodraeth leol, neu etholiadau llywodraeth leol, yng Nghymru, ar gais o dan baragraff 3(2), 3(6), 4(2), 4(2A) neu 4(3) o Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf 2000(**57**);

ystyr “hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy ddirprwy gadwedig” (“*reserved proxy vote entitlement*”) yw hawlogaeth i bleidleisio drwy ddirprwy, mewn etholiad seneddol,

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(**54**) Amnewidiwyd adran 9 gan adran 8(a) o Ddeddf Cynrychiolaeth y Bobl 2000 (p. 2) a pharagraff 3 o Atodlen 1 iddi. Diwygiwyd yr adran yn ddiweddarach, ond nid yw’r diwygiadau hynny’n berthnasol yma.
(**55**) 1983 p. 2.
(**56**) 1978 p. 30.
(**57**) Diwygiwyd paragraff 3(2) o Atodlen 4 gan adran 14(1)(b) o Ddeddf Etholiadau 2022 (p. 37) a diwygiwyd paragraff 3(6) o Atodlen 4 gan adran 14(2)(b) o’r Ddeddf honno.

neu etholiadau seneddol, yng Nghymru, pan fo'r hawlogaeth wedi ei rhoi cyn y diwrnod perthnasol ar gais o dan baragraff 3(2), 3(6), 4(2), 4(2A) neu 4(3) o Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf 2000;

ystyr "hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy'r post drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig" ("*devolved proxy postal vote entitlement*") yw hawlogaeth i bleidleisio drwy'r post, fel dirprwy, mewn—

(a) etholiad i'r Senedd, neu etholiadau'r Senedd, pan fo'r hawlogaeth wedi ei rhoi cyn y diwrnod perthnasol ar gais o dan erthygl 10(4) o Orchymyn 2025, neu

(b) etholiad llywodraeth leol, neu etholiadau llywodraeth leol, yng Nghymru, pan fo'r hawlogaeth wedi ei rhoi cyn y diwrnod perthnasol ar gais o dan baragraff 7(4) o Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf 2000(**58**);

ystyr "hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy'r post drwy ddirprwy gadwedig" ("*reserved proxy postal vote entitlement*") yw hawlogaeth i bleidleisio drwy'r post, fel dirprwy, mewn etholiad seneddol, neu etholiadau seneddol, yng Nghymru, pan fo'r hawlogaeth wedi ei rhoi cyn y diwrnod perthnasol ar gais o dan baragraff 7(4) o Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf 2000;

ystyr "hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig" ("*devolved postal vote entitlement*") yw hawlogaeth i bleidleisio drwy'r post, fel etholwr, mewn—

(a) etholiad i'r Senedd, neu etholiadau'r Senedd, pan fo'r hawlogaeth wedi ei rhoi cyn y diwrnod perthnasol ar gais o dan erthygl 6(1), 6(8) neu 7(1) o Orchymyn 2025, neu

(b) etholiad llywodraeth leol, neu etholiadau llywodraeth leol, yng Nghymru, pan fo'r hawlogaeth wedi ei rhoi cyn y diwrnod perthnasol ar gais o dan baragraff 3(1), 3(7) neu 4(1) o Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf 2000(**59**);

ystyr "hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy'r post gadwedig" ("*reserved postal vote entitlement*") yw hawlogaeth i bleidleisio drwy'r post, mewn etholiad seneddol, neu etholiadau seneddol, yng Nghymru, pan fo'r hawlogaeth wedi ei rhoi cyn y diwrnod perthnasol ar gais o dan baragraff 3(1), 3(7) neu 4(1) o Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf 2000;

ystyr "hysbysiad paragraff 16" ("*paragraph 16 notice*") yw hysbysiad o dan baragraff 16(1) o Atodlen 1 i Orchymyn 2025 (gofyniad i ddarparu llofnodion newydd bob pum mlynedd);

ystyr "hysbysiad rheoliad 60A" ("*regulation 60A notice*") yw hysbysiad o dan reoliad 60A(2) o Reoliadau 2001 (gofyniad i ddarparu llofnodion newydd ar ysbeidiau)(**60**);

(**58**) Diwygiwyd paragraff 7(4) o Atodlen 4 gan adran 3 o Ddeddf Etholiadau 2022 (p. 37) a pharagraff 3(2) o Atodlen 3 iddi.

(**59**) Diwygiwyd paragraff 3(1) o Atodlen 4 gan adran 14(1) o Ddeddf Gweinyddu Etholiadol 2006 (p. 22) ("DGE 2006") a chan adran 3 o Ddeddf Etholiadau 2022 (p. 37) ("Deddf 2022") a pharagraff 2(2) o Atodlen 3 iddi, ac mae wedi ei ddiwygio yn rhagolygol gan adran 1(5)(a) o Ddeddf Pleidleisio Absennol (Etholiadau yng Nghymru a'r Alban) 2025 (p. 27) o 3 Tachwedd 2026. Diwygiwyd paragraff 3(7) o Atodlen 4 gan adran 3 o Ddeddf 2022 a pharagraff 2(6) o Atodlen 3 iddi, ac mae wedi ei ddiwygio yn rhagolygol gan adran 1(5)(g) o Ddeddf Pleidleisio Absennol (Etholiadau yng Nghymru a'r Alban) 2025 (p. 27) o 3 Tachwedd 2026. Diwygiwyd paragraff 4(1) o Atodlen 4 gan adran 14(2) o DGE 2006.

(**60**) Mewnosodwyd rheoliad 60A gan reoliad 34 o O.S. 2006/2910 ac fe'i diwygiwyd yn ddiweddarach gan reoliad 5(11) o O.S. 2023/1147 a chan reoliad 6(4) o O.S. 2023/1406.

ystyr “swyddog cofrestru” (“*registration officer*”) yw swyddog cofrestru etholiadol o dan adran 8 o Ddeddf 1983(**61**).

Ceisiadau pleidleisio absennol datganoledig a cheisiadau pleidleisio drwy’r post drwy ddirprwy datganoledig nas penderfynir erbyn y diwrnod perthnasol

30.—(1) Mae cais pleidleisio absennol datganoledig neu gais pleidleisio drwy’r post drwy ddirprwy datganoledig a wneir cyn y diwrnod perthnasol, ond nas penderfynir erbyn y diwrnod hwnnw, i’w drin fel pe na bai wedi ei wneud.

(2) Os, yn unol â pharagraff (1), yw cais person yn cael ei drin fel pe na bai wedi ei wneud, rhaid i’r swyddog cofrestru, cyn gynted ag y bo’n ymarferol ar ôl y diwrnod perthnasol, anfon at y person hwnnw, yng nghyfeiriad cymhwysol y person hwnnw, wybodaeth am sut i wneud cais newydd.

(3) Yn y rheoliad hwn, ystyr “cais pleidleisio drwy’r post drwy ddirprwy datganoledig” yw cais, gan gynnwys cais a gwblheir yn rhannol, a wneir o dan—

(a) erthygl 10(4) o Orchymyn 2025 mewn perthynas ag etholiad i’r Senedd, neu etholiadau’r Senedd, neu

(b) paragraff 7(4) o Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf 2000 mewn perthynas ag etholiad llywodraeth leol, neu etholiadau llywodraeth leol, yng Nghymru.

Terfynu hawlogaethau penodol i bleidlais drwy’r post drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig

31.—(1) Mae’r rheoliad hwn yn gymwys os oes gan berson (“P”), cyn y diwrnod perthnasol—

(a) hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy’r post drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig, a

(b) hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy’r post drwy ddirprwy gadwedig.

(2) Os yw’r rheoliad hwn yn gymwys, daw hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy’r post drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig i ben ar y diwrnod perthnasol.

(3) Os daw hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy’r post drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig i ben oherwydd gweithrediad paragraff (2), cyn gynted ag y bo’n ymarferol ar ôl y diwrnod perthnasol, rhaid i’r swyddog cofrestru anfon at P, yng nghyfeiriad cymhwysol P—

(a) hysbysiad yn rhoi gwybod i P fod hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy’r post drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig wedi dod i ben, yn rhoi’r rheswm pam y mae wedi dod i ben ac yn egluro effaith terfynu’r hawlogaeth honno, a

(b) gwybodaeth am sut i wneud cais newydd.

(4) Os yw paragraff (2) yn gymwys, cyn gynted ag y bo’n ymarferol ar ôl y diwrnod perthnasol, rhaid i’r swyddog cofrestru—

(a) diweddaru’r canlynol i adlewyrchu terfynu’r hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy’r post drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig oherwydd gweithrediad paragraff (2)—

(i) y cofnodion, fel y maent yn gymwys i P, a gedwir o dan erthygl 10(6) a (13) o Orchymyn 2025, neu baragraff 7(6) a (12) o Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf 2000(**62**), a

(**61**) Gwnaed diwygiadau perthnasol i adran 8 gan adran 66 o Ddeddf Llywodraeth Leol (Cymru) 1994 (p. 19) a pharagraff 68(1) o Atodlen 16 iddi, a chan adran 11(4) o Ddeddf y System Bleidleisio Seneddol ac Etholaethau 2011 (p. 1).

(**62**) Diwygiwyd paragraff 7(6) o Atodlen 4 gan adran 3 o Ddeddf Etholiadau 2022 (p. 37) a pharagraff 3(5) o Atodlen 3 iddi, ac mae wedi ei ddiwygio yn rhagolygol gan adran 1(6)(c) o Ddeddf Pleidleisio Absennol (Etholiadau yng Nghymru a’r Alban) 2025 (p. 27) o 3 Tachwedd 2026.

(ii) y rhestr pleidleiswyr drwy'r post drwy ddirprwy a gedwir o dan erthygl 10(8) o Orchymyn 2025, neu baragraff 7(8) o Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf 2000(**63**), a

(b) hysbysu'r etholwr a benododd y dirprwy, drwy hysbysiad a anfonir i gyfeiriad cymhwysol yr etholwr, fod yr hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy'r post drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig wedi dod i ben.

Terfynu hawlogaethau penodol i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig a hawlogaethau penodol i bleidlais drwy'r post drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig

32.—(1) Mae'r rheoliad hwn yn gymwys pan fo naill ai paragraff (2) neu (3) yn gymwys.

(2) Mae gan berson ("P"), cyn y diwrnod perthnasol, hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig sy'n para—

(a) am gyfnod amhenodol, neu

(b) am gyfnod a fyddai'n dod i ben ar ôl y trydydd 31 Ionawr ar ôl y diwrnod perthnasol.

(3) Mae gan berson ("P"), cyn y diwrnod perthnasol—

(a) hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy'r post drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig ac nid oes ganddo hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy'r post drwy ddirprwy gadwedig, a

(b) mae hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy'r post drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig yn para—

(i) am gyfnod amhenodol, neu

(ii) am gyfnod a fyddai'n dod i ben ar ôl y trydydd 31 Ionawr ar ôl y diwrnod perthnasol.

(4) Daw hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig neu hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy'r post drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig i ben ar—

(a) y dyddiad dod i ben trosiannol, neu

(b) os yw'n hwyrach, y dyddiad dod i ben cadwedig os yw'n gymwys.

(5) Cyn gynted ag y bo'n ymarferol ar ôl y diwrnod perthnasol, rhaid i'r swyddog cofrestru ddiweddaru'r canlynol i adlewyrchu unrhyw newid yn y cyfnod y mae hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig neu hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy'r post drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig yn para amdano oherwydd gweithrediad paragraff (4)—

(a) y cofnodion, fel y maent yn gymwys i P, a gedwir o dan—

(i) erthygl 6(4), 6(11), 7(7) neu 10(6) o Orchymyn 2025, neu

(ii) paragraff 3(4), 3(9), 4(6) neu 7(6) o Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf 2000(**64**), a

(b) y rhestr pleidleiswyr drwy'r post neu'r rhestr pleidleiswyr drwy'r post drwy ddirprwy, fel y mae'n gymwys i P, a gedwir o dan—

(i) erthygl 8(1)(a) a (2) neu 10(8) o Orchymyn 2025, neu

(ii) paragraff 5(1) a (2) neu 7(8) o Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf 2000(**65**).

(6) Cyn y dyddiad y daw hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig neu hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy'r post drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig i ben oherwydd

(**63**) Diwygiwyd paragraff 7(8) o Atodlen 4 gan adran 10 o Ddeddf Gweinyddu Etholiadol 2006 (p. 22) a pharagraff 137(7) o Atodlen 1 iddi.

(**64**) Diwygiwyd paragraff 3(4) o Atodlen 4 gan adran 3 o Ddeddf Etholiadau 2022 (p. 37) a pharagraff 2(4) o Atodlen 3 iddi. Mewnosodwyd paragraff 4(6) o Atodlen 4 gan adran 14(2)(c) o Ddeddf Gweinyddu Etholiadol 2006 (p. 22).

(**65**) Diwygiwyd paragraff 5(1) o Atodlen 4 gan adran 10 o Ddeddf Gweinyddu Etholiadol 2006 (p. 22) ("DGE 2006") a pharagraff 137(5) o Atodlen 1 iddi. Diwygiwyd paragraff 5(2) o Atodlen 4 gan adran 10 o DGE 2006 a pharagraff 137(6) o Atodlen 1 iddi.

gweithrediad paragraff (4), rhaid i'r swyddog cofrestru anfon at P, yng nghyfeiriad cymhwysol P—

(a) hysbysiad yn rhoi gwybod i P am y dyddiad y daw hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig neu hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy'r post drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig i ben, a

(b) gwybodaeth am sut i wneud cais newydd i bleidleisio drwy'r post, fel etholwr neu fel dirprwy.

(7) Mae paragraff (8) yn gymwys os, oherwydd gweithrediad paragraff (4)(a), daw hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig i ben ar y dyddiad adnewyddu llofnod.

(8) Nid yw unrhyw ofyniad i anfon at P hysbysiad paragraff 16 neu hysbysiad rheoliad 60A erbyn y dyddiad adnewyddu llofnod yn gymwys, oni bai—

(a) bod gan P hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy ddirprwy gadwedig sy'n parhau y tu hwnt i'r dyddiad hwnnw, a

(b) bod paragraff 16 o Orchymyn 2025 a rheoliad 60A o Reoliadau 2001 yn gymwys mewn perthynas â'r hawlogaeth honno neu'r hawlogaethau hynny.

(9) Yn y rheoliad hwn—

ystyr "dyddiad adnewyddu llofnod" ("*signature refresh date*") yw'r 31 Ionawr erbyn pryd y byddai'n ofynnol i'r swyddog cofrestru anfon at P hysbysiad paragraff 16 neu hysbysiad rheoliad 60A, gan gymryd nad oes dim newid wedi bod yn hawlogaeth neu hawlogaethau P i bleidleisio drwy'r post ar ôl y diwrnod perthnasol, a chan ddiystyru paragraff (8) o'r rheoliad hwn a'r diwygiadau a wneir gan reoliadau 7(5) ac 8(4) o'r Rheoliadau hyn;

ystyr "dyddiad dod i ben cadwedig" ("*reserved expiry date*") yw'r dyddiad y daw hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy'r post gadwedig, os oes ganddo un, i ben, yn unol â pharagraff 3(1A) o Atodlen 4(**66**) i Ddeddf 2000;

ystyr "dyddiad dod i ben trosiannol" ("*transitional expiry date*") yw—

(a) y trydydd 31 Ionawr ar ôl y diwrnod perthnasol, neu

(b) os yw'n gynharach, y dyddiad adnewyddu llofnod ar gyfer yr hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig.

Cysoni dyddiadau adnewyddu llofnod penodol

33.—(1) Mae'r rheoliad hwn yn gymwys os, cyn y diwrnod perthnasol—

(a) oes gan berson ("P")—

(i) hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig, a

(ii) hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy ddirprwy gadwedig, a

(b) yw'r dyddiadau adnewyddu llofnod ar gyfer yr hawlogaethau yn wahanol.

(2) O'r diwrnod perthnasol, mae'r dyddiad adnewyddu llofnod ar gyfer hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig a hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy ddirprwy gadwedig wedi eu cysoni.

(3) Y dyddiad adnewyddu llofnod a gysonwyd yw'r dyddiad adnewyddu llofnod ar gyfer hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy ddirprwy gadwedig.

(**66**) Mewnosodwyd paragraff 3(1A) gan adran 3 o Ddeddf Etholiadau 2022 (p. 37) a pharagraff 2(3) o Atodlen 3 iddi, ac mae wedi ei ddiwygio yn rhagolygol gan adran 1(5)(b) o Ddeddf Pleidleisio Absennol (Etholiadau yng Nghymru a'r Alban) 2025 (p. 27) o 3 Tachwedd 2026.

(4) Cyn gynted ag y bo'n ymarferol ar ôl y diwrnod perthnasol, rhaid i'r swyddog cofrestru gymhwyso'r llofnod a ddarparwyd gan P mewn cysylltiad â hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy ddirprwy gadwedig i bob cofnod, fel y maent yn gymwys i P, a gedwir o dan—

(a) erthygl 6(11) neu 7(7) o Orchymyn 2025 a pharagraff 4 o Atodlen 1 iddo, neu

(b) paragraff 3(9) neu 4(6) o Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf 2000(**67**) a rheoliad 61B(**68**) o Reoliadau 2001.

(5) Os cymhwysir llofnod newydd o dan baragraff (4), bernir bod y llofnod newydd hwnnw yn llofnod a ddarparwyd o dan erthygl 11(2) o Orchymyn 2025 neu baragraff 7A(1) o Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf 2000(**69**), a bydd erthygl 11(3) o Orchymyn 2025 neu baragraff 7A(2) o Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf 2000(**70**) yn gymwys i'r llofnod hwnnw.

(6) Bydd unrhyw ofyniad i anfon at P hysbysiad paragraff 16 neu hysbysiad rheoliad 60A yn gymwys i'r dyddiad adnewyddu llofnod fel y'i diwygiwyd oherwydd gweithrediad y rheoliad hwn.

(7) Pan fydd hysbysiad paragraff 16 neu hysbysiad rheoliad 60A yn cael ei ddyroddi, rhaid i'r hysbysiad perthnasol roi gwybod i P am y dyddiad adnewyddu llofnod diwygiedig a'r rheswm pam y mae wedi newid.

(8) Yn y rheoliad hwn, ystyr "dyddiad adnewyddu llofnod" yw'r 31 Ionawr erbyn pryd y byddai'n ofynnol, neu y gallai fod yn ofynnol, i'r swyddog cofrestru anfon at P hysbysiad paragraff 16 neu hysbysiad rheoliad 60A, gan gymryd nad oes dim newid wedi bod yn hawlogaeth neu hawlogaethau P i bleidleisio drwy ddirprwy ar ôl y diwrnod perthnasol.

Anghysondebau o ran cyfeiriad pleidlais drwy'r post a therfynu hawlogaethau penodol i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig

34.—(1) Mae'r rheoliad hwn yn gymwys os, cyn y diwrnod perthnasol—

(a) oes gan berson ("P")—

(i) hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig, a

(ii) hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy'r post gadwedig, a

(b) oes anghysondeb yn y cyfeiriadau pleidlais drwy'r post a ddelir yn y cofnodion a gedwir gan y swyddog cofrestru ar gyfer yr hawlogaethau hynny.

(2) Os yw'r rheoliad hwn yn gymwys, daw hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig i ben ar y diwrnod perthnasol.

(3) Cyn y diwrnod perthnasol, rhaid i'r swyddog cofrestru, pan fo'n rhesymol ymarferol, anfon at P, yng nghyfeiriad cymhwysol P, hysbysiad yn rhoi gwybod i P—

(a) bod y cyfeiriad pleidlais drwy'r post a gedwir yng nghofnod y swyddog cofrestru mewn cysylltiad â hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig yn wahanol i'r cyfeiriad pleidlais drwy'r post a gedwir yng nghofnod y swyddog cofrestru mewn cysylltiad â hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy'r post gadwedig ("yr anghysondeb o ran cyfeiriad"),

(b) bod rhaid i fanylion y cyfeiriad pleidlais drwy'r post ar gyfer hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig a hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy'r post gadwedig fod yr un fath os yw'r ddwy hawlogaeth i fod yn eu lle o'r diwrnod perthnasol, ac

(**67**) Mewnosodwyd paragraff 3(9) gan adran 14(1)(c) o Ddeddf Gweinyddu Etholiadol 2006 (p. 22).
(**68**) Mewnosodwyd rheoliad 61B gan O.S. 2006/2910 ac fe'i diwygiwyd yn ddiweddarach gan O.S. 2015/1971.
(**69**) Mewnosodwyd paragraff 7A(1) o Atodlen 4 gan adran 14(4) o Ddeddf Gweinyddu Etholiadol 2006 (p. 22).
(**70**) Mewnosodwyd paragraff 7A(2) o Atodlen 4 gan adran 14(4) o Ddeddf Gweinyddu Etholiadol 2006 (p. 22).

(c) os na wneir cais newydd i bleidleisio drwy'r post cyn y diwrnod perthnasol ac os na phenderfynir cais o'r fath erbyn y diwrnod hwnnw, a bo'r anghysondeb o ran cyfeiriad yn parhau, y daw hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig i ben ar y diwrnod perthnasol.

(4) Os daw hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig i ben oherwydd gweithrediad paragraff (2), cyn gynted ag y bo'n ymarferol ar ôl y diwrnod perthnasol, rhaid i'r swyddog cofrestru anfon at P, yng nghyfeiriad cymhwysol P—

(a) hysbysiad yn rhoi gwybod i P fod hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig wedi dod i ben, yn rhoi'r rheswm pam y mae wedi dod i ben ac yn egluro effaith terfynu'r hawlogaeth honno, a

(b) gwybodaeth am sut i wneud cais newydd i bleidleisio drwy'r post.

(5) Os yw paragraff (2) yn gymwys, cyn gynted ag y bo'n ymarferol ar ôl y diwrnod perthnasol, rhaid i'r swyddog cofrestru ddiweddaru'r canlynol i adlewyrchu terfynu hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig oherwydd gweithrediad paragraff (2)—

(a) y cofnodion, fel y maent yn gymwys i P, a gedwir o dan—

(i) erthygl 6(4), 6(11) neu 7(7) o Orchymyn 2025, neu

(ii) paragraff 3(4), 3(9) neu 4(6) o Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf 2000, a

(b) y rhestr pleidleiswyr drwy'r post a gedwir o dan—

(i) erthygl 8(1)(a) a (2) o Orchymyn 2025, neu

(ii) paragraff 5(1) a (2) o Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf 2000.

(6) Yn y rheoliad hwn, ystyr "cyfeiriad pleidlais drwy'r post" yw—

(a) ar gyfer etholiad i'r Senedd, neu etholiadau'r Senedd, pan fo cais wedi ei wneud o dan erthygl 6 neu 7 o Orchymyn 2025, y cyfeiriad a ddarparwyd yn unol â pharagraff 1(1)(d) o Atodlen 1 i Orchymyn 2025, neu

(b) ar gyfer etholiad llywodraeth leol, neu etholiadau llywodraeth leol, yng Nghymru, neu etholiad seneddol, neu etholiadau seneddol, yng Nghymru, pan fo cais wedi ei wneud o dan baragraff 3 neu 4 o Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf 2000, y cyfeiriad a ddarparwyd yn unol â rheoliad 51(2)(d) o Reoliadau 2001(**71**).

Anghysondebau o ran llofnod pleidlais drwy'r post

35.—(1) Mae'r rheoliad hwn yn gymwys os, cyn y diwrnod perthnasol,—

(a) oes gan berson ("P")—

(i) hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig, a

(ii) hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy'r post gadwedig, a

(b) bod y llofnod a gedwir yng nghofnod y swyddog cofrestru mewn cysylltiad â hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig yn wahanol i'r llofnod a gedwir yng nghofnod y swyddog cofrestru mewn cysylltiad â hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy'r post gadwedig.

(2) Rhaid i'r swyddog cofrestru gymhwyso'r llofnod a gedwir yng nghofnod y swyddog cofrestru mewn cysylltiad â hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy'r post gadwedig fel yr unig lofnod a gedwir yng nghofnod y swyddog cofrestru fel y llofnod ar gyfer hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig a hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy'r post gadwedig gydag effaith o'r diwrnod perthnasol.

(**71**) Diwygiwyd rheoliad 51(2)(d) gan reoliad 32(2) o O.S. 2006/2910.

(3) Os yw paragraff (2) yn gymwys, cyn gynted ag y bo'n ymarferol ar ôl y diwrnod perthnasol, rhaid i'r swyddog cofrestru gymhwyso'r llofnod y cyfeirir ato ym mharagraff (2) i bob cofnod, fel y mae'n gymwys i P, a gedwir o dan—

(a) erthygl 6(11) neu 7(7) o Orchymyn 2025 a pharagraff 4 o Atodlen 1 iddo, neu

(b) paragraff 3(9) neu 4(6) o Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf 2000 a rheoliad 61B o Reoliadau 2001.

(4) Bernir bod y llofnod a gymhwysir o dan baragraff (3) yn llofnod a ddarparwyd o dan erthygl 11(2) o Orchymyn 2025 neu baragraff 7A(1) o Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf 2000, ac mae erthygl 11(3) o Orchymyn 2025 neu baragraff 7A(2) o Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf 2000 yn gymwys i'r llofnod hwnnw.

Anghysondebau o ran hepgoriad llofnod a therfynu hawlogaethau penodol i bleidlais absennol ddatganoledig

36.—(1) Mae'r rheoliad hwn yn gymwys os, cyn y diwrnod perthnasol—

(a) oes gan berson ("P")—

(i) hawlogaeth i bleidlais absennol ddatganoledig, a

(ii) hawlogaeth i bleidlais absennol gadwedig, a

(b) oes hepgoriad llofnod wedi ei roi mewn cysylltiad ag un o hawlogaethau P yn unig a bo'r gofyniad i ddarparu llofnod mewn cysylltiad â hawlogaeth arall P yn parhau.

(2) Os yw'r rheoliad hwn yn gymwys, daw hawlogaeth P i bleidlais absennol ddatganoledig i ben ar y diwrnod perthnasol.

(3) Cyn y diwrnod perthnasol, rhaid i'r swyddog cofrestru, pan fo'n rhesymol ymarferol, anfon at P, yng nghyfeiriad cymhwysol P, hysbysiad yn rhoi gwybod i P—

(a) bod anghysondeb rhwng hawlogaeth P i bleidlais absennol ddatganoledig a hawlogaeth P i bleidlais absennol gadwedig gan nad yw hepgoriad llofnod ond yn ei le ar gyfer un o'r hawlogaethau hynny, a bod y gofyniad i ddarparu llofnod mewn cysylltiad â hawlogaeth arall P yn parhau,

(b) bod rhaid bod gan P naill ai hepgoriad llofnod yn ei le ar gyfer dwy hawlogaeth P neu fod rhaid iddo beidio â bod â hepgoriad llofnod yn ei le ar gyfer y naill na'r llall o hawlogaethau P os yw P i gael hawlogaeth i bleidlais absennol gadwedig a hawlogaeth i bleidlais absennol ddatganoledig yn eu lle o'r diwrnod perthnasol, ac

(c) os na wneir cais newydd i bleidleisio drwy'r post neu drwy ddirprwy cyn y diwrnod perthnasol ac os na phenderfynir cais o'r fath erbyn y diwrnod hwnnw, a bo'r anghysondeb yn parhau, y daw hawlogaeth P i bleidlais absennol ddatganoledig i ben ar y diwrnod perthnasol.

(4) Os daw hawlogaeth P i bleidlais absennol ddatganoledig i ben oherwydd gweithrediad paragraff (2), cyn gynted ag y bo'n ymarferol ar ôl y diwrnod perthnasol, rhaid i'r swyddog cofrestru anfon at P, yng nghyfeiriad cymhwysol P—

(a) hysbysiad yn rhoi gwybod i P fod hawlogaeth P i bleidlais absennol ddatganoledig wedi dod i ben, yn rhoi'r rheswm pam y mae wedi dod i ben ac yn egluro effaith terfynu'r hawlogaeth honno, a

(b) gwybodaeth am sut i wneud cais pleidleisio absennol datganoledig newydd.

(5) Os yw paragraff (2) yn gymwys, cyn gynted ag y bo'n ymarferol ar ôl y diwrnod perthnasol, rhaid i'r swyddog cofrestru ddiweddaru'r canlynol i adlewyrchu terfynu'r hawlogaeth i bleidlais absennol ddatganoledig oherwydd gweithrediad paragraff (2)—

(a) y cofnodion, fel y maent yn gymwys i P, a gedwir o dan—

(i) erthygl 6(4), 6(11) neu 7(7) o Orchymyn 2025 a pharagraff 4 o Atodlen 1 iddo, neu

(ii) paragraff 3(4), 3(9) neu 4(6) o Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf 2000 a rheoliad 61B o Reoliadau 2001, a

(b) y rhestr pleidleiswyr drwy'r post, y rhestr dirprwyon neu'r rhestr pleidleiswyr drwy'r post drwy ddirprwy, fel y mae'n gymwys i P, a gedwir o dan—

(i) erthygl 8(1) i (3) neu 10(8) o Orchymyn 2025, neu

(ii) paragraff 5(1) i (3) neu 7(8) o Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf 2000.

(6) Yn y rheoliad hwn, ystyr "hepgoriad llofnod" yw pan fo swyddog cofrestru wedi cytuno i gais gan berson i hepgor unrhyw un neu ragor o'r gofynion o dan erthygl 6, 7, 9 neu 10 o Orchymyn 2025 neu baragraff 3, 4 neu 7 o Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf 2000 i ddarparu llofnod.

Anghysondebau o ran enw a chyfeiriad dirprwy a therfynu hawlogaethau penodol i bleidlais drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig

37.—(1) Mae'r rheoliad hwn yn gymwys os, cyn y diwrnod perthnasol—

(a) oes gan berson ("P")—

(i) penodiad dirprwy datganoledig, a

(ii) penodiad dirprwy cadwedig, a

(b) oes anghysondeb yn y cofnodion a gedwir gan y swyddog cofrestru ar gyfer y penodiadau perthnasol o ran—

(i) yr enwau dirprwy a gofnodwyd, neu

(ii) y cyfeiriadau dirprwy a ddelir yn y cofnodion, neu

(iii) y ddau.

(2) Os yw'r rheoliad hwn yn gymwys, daw'r hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig i ben ar y diwrnod perthnasol.

(3) Cyn y diwrnod perthnasol, rhaid i'r swyddog cofrestru, pan fo'n rhesymol ymarferol, anfon i gyfeiriad cymhwysol P, hysbysiad yn rhoi gwybod i P—

(a) bod yr enwau dirprwy neu'r cyfeiriadau dirprwy neu'r ddau a gedwir yng nghofnod y swyddog cofrestru mewn cysylltiad â phenodiad dirprwy datganoledig P yn wahanol i'r enwau dirprwy neu'r cyfeiriadau dirprwy neu'r ddau a gedwir yng nghofnod y swyddog cofrestru mewn cysylltiad â phenodiad dirprwy cadwedig P ("yr anghysondeb o ran manylion dirprwy"),

(b) bod rhaid i'r manylion dirprwy ar gyfer penodiad dirprwy datganoledig P a phenodiad dirprwy cadwedig P fod yr un fath os yw'r ddau benodiad i fod yn eu lle o'r diwrnod perthnasol, ac

(c) os na wneir cais newydd i bleidleisio drwy ddirprwy cyn y diwrnod perthnasol ac os na phenderfynir cais o'r fath erbyn y diwrnod hwnnw, a bo'r anghysondeb o ran manylion dirprwy yn parhau, y daw hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig i ben ar y diwrnod perthnasol.

(4) Os daw hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig i ben oherwydd gweithrediad paragraff (2), cyn gynted ag y bo'n ymarferol ar ôl y diwrnod perthnasol, rhaid i'r swyddog cofrestru anfon at P, yng nghyfeiriad cymhwysol P—

(a) hysbysiad yn rhoi gwybod i P fod hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig wedi dod i ben, yn rhoi'r rheswm y mae wedi dod i ben ac yn egluro effaith terfynu'r hawlogaeth honno, a

(b) gwybodaeth am sut i wneud cais newydd i bleidleisio drwy ddirprwy.

(5) Os yw paragraff (2) yn gymwys, cyn gynted ag y bo'n ymarferol ar ôl y diwrnod perthnasol, rhaid i'r swyddog cofrestru ddiweddaru'r canlynol i adlewyrchu terfynu hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig oherwydd gweithrediad paragraff (2)—

(a) y cofnodion, fel y maent yn gymwys i P, a gedwir o dan—

(i) erthygl 6(4), 6(11) neu 7(7) o Orchymyn 2025, neu

(ii) paragraff 3(4), 3(9) neu 4(6) o Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf 2000, a

(b) y rhestr dirprwyon a gedwir o dan—

(i) erthygl 8(1)(b) a (3) o Orchymyn 2025, neu

(ii) paragraff 5(1) a (3) o Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf 2000.

(6) Yn y rheoliad hwn—

ystyr "penodiad dirprwy cadwedig" ("*reserved proxy appointment*") yw penodiad person yn ddirprwy i bleidleisio ar ran person arall, mewn etholiad seneddol, neu etholiadau seneddol, yng Nghymru, pan fo'r penodiad wedi ei wneud cyn y diwrnod perthnasol ar gais o dan baragraff 6(7) neu (8) o Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf 2000;

ystyr "penodiad dirprwy datganoledig" ("*devolved proxy appointment*") yw penodiad person yn ddirprwy i bleidleisio ar ran person arall, mewn—

(a) etholiad i'r Senedd, neu etholiadau'r Senedd, pan fo'r penodiad wedi ei wneud cyn y diwrnod perthnasol ar gais o dan erthygl 9(6) neu (7) o Orchymyn 2025, neu

(b) etholiad llywodraeth leol, neu etholiadau llywodraeth leol, yng Nghymru, pan fo'r penodiad wedi ei wneud cyn y diwrnod perthnasol ar gais o dan baragraff 6(7) neu (8) o Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf 2000.

Anghysondebau o ran pleidlais drwy'r post a phleidlais drwy ddirprwy a therfynu hawlogaethau penodol i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig

38.—(1) Mae'r rheoliad hwn yn gymwys os, cyn y diwrnod perthnasol, oes gan berson ("P")—

(a) hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig, a

(b) hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy ddirprwy gadwedig.

(2) Os yw'r rheoliad hwn yn gymwys, daw hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig i ben ar y diwrnod perthnasol.

(3) Cyn y diwrnod perthnasol, rhaid i'r swyddog cofrestru, pan fo'n rhesymol ymarferol, anfon at P, yng nghyfeiriad cymhwysol P, hysbysiad yn rhoi gwybod i P—

(a) bod gan P hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig a hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy ddirprwy gadwedig,

(b) bod rhaid i hawlogaeth P i bleidlais absennol ddatganoledig fod yr un fath â hawlogaeth P i bleidlais absennol gadwedig os yw'r ddwy hawlogaeth i fod yn eu lle o'r diwrnod perthnasol, ac

(c) os na wneir cais newydd i bleidleisio drwy'r post neu drwy ddirprwy cyn y diwrnod perthnasol ac os na phenderfynir cais o'r fath erbyn y dyddiad hwnnw, a bo'r

anghysondeb yn parhau, y daw hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig i ben ar y diwrnod perthnasol.

(4) Os yw'r rheoliad hwn yn gymwys, daw hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig i ben ar y diwrnod perthnasol.

(5) Os daw hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig i ben oherwydd gweithrediad paragraff (2), cyn gynted ag y bo'n ymarferol ar ôl y diwrnod perthnasol, rhaid i'r swyddog cofrestru anfon at P, yng nghyfeiriad cymhwysol P—

(a) hysbysiad yn rhoi gwybod i P fod hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig wedi dod i ben, yn rhoi'r rheswm y mae wedi dod i ben ac yn egluro effaith terfynu'r hawlogaeth honno, a

(b) gwybodaeth am sut i wneud cais newydd.

(6) Os yw paragraff (2) yn gymwys, cyn gynted ag y bo'n ymarferol ar ôl y diwrnod perthnasol, rhaid i'r swyddog cofrestru ddiweddaru'r canlynol i adlewyrchu terfynu'r hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig oherwydd gweithrediad paragraff (2)—

(a) y cofnodion, fel y maent yn gymwys i P, a gedwir o dan—

(i) erthygl 6(4), 6(11) neu 7(7) o Orchymyn 2025, neu

(ii) paragraff 3(4), 3(9) neu 4(6) o Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf 2000, a

(b) y rhestr pleidleiswyr drwy'r post a gedwir o dan—

(i) erthygl 8(1)(a) a (2) o Orchymyn 2025, neu

(ii) paragraff 5(1) a (2) o Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf 2000.

Anghysondebau o ran hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy'r post a hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy ddirprwy a therfynu hawlogaethau penodol i bleidlais drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig

39.—(1) Mae'r rheoliad hwn yn gymwys os, cyn y diwrnod perthnasol, oes gan berson ("P")—

(a) hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig, a

(b) hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy'r post gadwedig.

(2) Os yw'r rheoliad hwn yn gymwys, daw hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig i ben ar y diwrnod perthnasol.

(3) Cyn y diwrnod perthnasol, rhaid i'r swyddog cofrestru, pan fo'n rhesymol ymarferol, anfon at P, yng nghyfeiriad cymhwysol P, hysbysiad yn rhoi gwybod i P—

(a) bod gan P hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig a hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy ddirprwy gadwedig,

(b) bod rhaid i hawlogaeth P i bleidlais absennol ddatganoledig fod yr un fath â hawlogaeth P i bleidlais absennol gadwedig os yw'r ddwy hawlogaeth i fod yn eu lle o'r dyddiad perthnasol, ac

(c) os na wneir cais newydd i bleidleisio drwy'r post neu drwy ddirprwy cyn y diwrnod perthnasol ac os na phenderfynir cais o'r fath erbyn y dyddiad hwnnw, a bo'r anghysondeb yn parhau, y daw hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig i ben ar y diwrnod perthnasol.

(4) Os daw hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig i ben oherwydd gweithrediad paragraff (2), cyn gynted ag y bo'n ymarferol ar ôl y diwrnod perthnasol, rhaid i'r swyddog cofrestru anfon at P, yng nghyfeiriad cymhwysol P—

(a) hysbysiad yn rhoi gwybod i P fod hawlogaeth P i bleidlais drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig wedi dod i ben, yn rhoi'r rheswm pam y mae wedi dod i ben ac yn egluro effaith terfynu'r hawlogaeth honno, a

(b) gwybodaeth am sut i wneud cais newydd.

(5) Os yw paragraff (2) yn gymwys, cyn gynted ag y bo'n ymarferol ar ôl y diwrnod perthnasol, rhaid i'r swyddog cofrestru ddiweddaru'r canlynol i adlewyrchu terfynu'r hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig oherwydd gweithrediad paragraff (2)—

(a) y cofnodion, fel y maent yn gymwys i P, a gedwir o dan—

(i) erthygl 6(4), 6(11) neu 7(7) o Orchymyn 2025, neu

(ii) paragraff 3(4), 3(9) neu 4(6) o Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf 2000, a

(b) y rhestr dirprwyon a gedwir o dan—

(i) erthygl 8(1)(b) a (3) o Orchymyn 2025, neu

(ii) paragraff 5(1) a (3) o Atodlen 4 i Ddeddf 2000.

RHAN 8

DIWYGIADAU AMRYWIOL

Etholiadau'r Senedd

40. Mae Gorchymyn 2025 wedi ei ddiwygio yn unol â rheoliadau 41 i 44.

Diwygio Rhan 3 (yr ymgyrch etholiadol)

41.—(1) Yn erthygl 45 (ymgeiswyr unigol ac ymgeiswyr rhestr plaid: treuliau y caniateir eu talu ac eithrio gan asiant etholiad)—

(a) ar ddechrau paragraff (1), mewnosoder "Yn ystod y cyfnod rheoleiddiedig,";

(b) ar ddechrau paragraff (2), mewnosoder "Yn ystod y cyfnod rheoleiddiedig,";

(c) ym mharagraff (3), yn lle "paragraff (1)" rhodder "paragraff (2)".

(2) Yn erthygl 49 (ymgeiswyr unigol: y cyfnod rheoleiddiedig)—

(a) ym mhennawd yr erthygl, hepgorer "Ymgeiswyr unigol:";

(b) ym mharagraff (1), ar ôl "ymgeisydd unigol" mewnosoder "neu, at ddibenion erthygl 45(1), ymgeisydd rhestr plaid,".

(3) Yn erthygl 51(2) (amser i anfon hawliadau i mewn a'u talu), yn lle'r geiriau o "y diwrnod cau ar gyfer" hyd at y diwedd rhodder "y diwrnod y datgenir canlyniad neu ganlyniadau'r etholiad."

Diwygio Atodlen 2 (dyroddi a derbyn papurau pleidleisio drwy'r post)

42. Ym mharagraff 14(3) o Atodlen 2 (papur pleidleisio drwy'r post a ddifethwyd), ar y diwedd mewnosoder ", ac eithrio pan fo'r dogfennau hynny yn dod i law ar ôl 5.00 p.m. ar ddiwrnod y pôl."

Diwygio Atodlen 5 (rheolau etholiadau'r Senedd)

43.—(1) Mae Atodlen 5 (rheolau etholiadau'r Senedd) wedi ei diwygio fel a ganlyn.

(2) Yn rheol 15 (penderfyniadau ynglŷn â dilysrwydd papurau enwebu plaid)—

(a) ym mharagraff (1)(b), yn lle “pob ymgeisydd” rhodder “ymgeisydd”;

(b) ym mharagraff (1)(c), yn lle “pob ymgeisydd” rhodder “ymgeisydd”;

(c) ym mharagraff (2), yn lle “a phob ymgeisydd ar ei rhestr” rhodder “, a phob ymgeisydd ar ei rhestr y mae ffurflen cyfeiriad cartref a ffurflen cydsynio ag enwebiad wedi dod i law mewn cysylltiad ag ef,”.

(3) Yn rheol 37(7)(b) (cyfarpar gorsaf bleidleisio), yn lle “reol 48” rhodder “reol 46”.

(4) Yn rheol 44 (cwestiynau i'w gofyn i bleidleiswyr), yn Nhabl 1 ym mharagraff 4—

(a) yng nghwestiwn 2(c) yng ngholofn (2) (y cwestiwn sydd i'w ofyn yn Saesneg), ar ôl “sister” mewnosoder “, child”;

(b) yng nghwestiwn 2(c) yng ngholofn (3) (y cwestiwn sydd i'w ofyn yn Gymraeg), ar ôl “chwaer,” mewnosoder “plentyn,”.

Diwygio Atodlen 6 (rheoli rhoddion i ymgeiswyr)

44. Ym mharagraff 6 o Atodlen 6 (gwahardd derbyn rhoddion oddi wrth roddwyr nas caniateir)—

(a) yn is-baragraff (5), yn lle “£50” rhodder “£500”;

(b) yn is-baragraff (7)(b), yn lle “£50” rhodder “£500”.

Jayne Bryant
Ysgrifennydd y Cabinet dros Dai a Llywodraeth Leol, un o Weinidogion Cymru
18 Mawrth 2026

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WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2026 No. 91

REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE, WALES

SENEDD CYMRU

LOCAL GOVERNMENT, WALES

The Representation of the People (Absent Voting and Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) Regulations 2026

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations make provision to limit, to a maximum of three years, the period for which a person can apply to vote by post at Senedd elections. Provisions also provide for the implementation of the amendments made to Schedule 4 to the Representation of the People Act 2000 (c. 2) ("2000 Act") by the Absent Voting (Elections in Scotland and Wales) Act 2025 (c. 27) ("2025 Act"), which limit the period for which a person can apply to vote by post at local government elections in Wales.

These Regulations make provision for the online submission of relevant devolved absent voting applications for Senedd elections and local government elections in Wales, as well as the verification of information provided in such applications (whether or not submitted online). The Regulations also provide for registration officers to be able to request further evidence from applicants to verify the applicant's identity.

These Regulations make a number of miscellaneous amendments to the Senedd Cymru (Representation of the People) Order 2025 (S.I. 2025/864) (W. 150) ("2025 Order").

Part 1 makes provision for the title, commencement and interpretation of these Regulations.

Regulation 1 brings regulations 1, 2 and 29 to 44 into force on 24 March 2026 and all of the remaining provisions into force on 3 November 2026.

Regulation 2 sets out the definitions that apply in the Regulations.

Part 2 makes provision relating to the restrictions of the period for which a person can apply for a postal vote.

Regulation 5 amends article 6 (absent vote at Senedd elections for a particular or an indefinite period) of the 2025 Order, which currently allows for applications for absent voting at Senedd elections to be made for a definite or indefinite period. The amendments mean that at Senedd elections it will no longer be possible for a person to apply for a postal vote for an indefinite period. Under the changes, the period for which a person can apply to vote by post for a Senedd election may not exceed three years. The amendments provide that the postal vote for the maximum period possible will run until the third 31 January following the date on which the application for that postal vote is granted. This will ensure that an entitlement for a postal vote ends on 31 January in the relevant year, which will give the person time to apply for a fresh postal vote ahead of any elections scheduled for May of that year. The amendments also allow a person to apply for a postal vote for a shorter period.

Regulation 6 amends article 10 (voting as proxy at Senedd elections) of the 2025 Order, which concerns persons voting as a proxy on behalf of another elector at a Senedd election. The amendments make equivalent changes to those made by regulation 5, so that a grant of an application to vote by post by a proxy voter in relation to a Senedd election may not exceed three years.

Regulation 7 amends Schedule 1 (absent voting at Senedd elections) to the 2025 Order to reflect the changes to the postal vote period made by regulations 6 and 7. Regulation 7(3) makes amendments to paragraph 12 (grant or refusal of applications). Regulation 7(3)(a) inserts a new sub-paragraph (1A) which sets out that any notification to an applicant whose application to vote by post has been granted under paragraph 12(1) must include the date on which the entitlement to vote by post ends. Regulation 7(3)(b) inserts new sub-paragraphs (8A) to (8E) which provide for additional notifications to be sent by registration officers in certain circumstances. Regulation 7(4) inserts a new paragraph 15A which provides for electors and proxies, who are entitled to vote by post at a Senedd election by virtue of an entitlement granted for the maximum period, to be sent an additional notice informing them of the date on which the entitlement ends and providing information as to the process for making a fresh application. Regulation 7(5) amends paragraph 16 by inserting a new sub-paragraph (A1) so that the requirement to provide signatures at five yearly intervals no longer applies to electors or proxies who remain entitled to vote by post at a Senedd election.

Regulation 8 amends the Part 4 (absent voters) of the Representation of the People (England and Wales) Regulations 2001 (S.I. 2001/341) (“2001 Regulations”). Regulation 8(2) amends regulation 57 (grant or refusal of applications). Regulation 8(2)(a) amends paragraph (1A) so that where an applicant is notified that an application to vote by post for a local government election in Wales has been granted under paragraph (1), the notification must include the date on which the elector’s entitlement to vote by post ends. Regulation 8(2)(b) amends regulation 57(7) to provide for additional notifications to be sent by registration officers in certain circumstances. Regulation 8(3) amends regulation 60ZA (grant or refusal of applications) to provide for electors and proxies who are entitled to vote by post at a local government election in Wales by virtue of an entitlement granted for the maximum period, to be sent an additional notice informing them of the date on which the entitlement ends and providing information as to the process for making a fresh application. Regulation 8(4) amends regulation 60A (requirement to notify certain

electors and proxies that postal vote entitlement is to end) so that the requirement to provide signatures at five yearly intervals no longer applies to electors or proxies who remain entitled to vote by post at a local government election in Wales.

Part 3 makes provision relating to general requirements for relevant devolved absent voting applications in relation to the provision of national insurance numbers.

Regulation 10 amends Schedule 1 (absent voting at Senedd elections) to the 2025 Order to provide for relevant devolved absent voting applications for Senedd elections to include the applicant's national insurance number, or the reason why the applicant is not able to provide it.

Regulation 12 amends Part 1 (general, interpretation and miscellaneous) of the 2001 Regulations to insert a new definition of "relevant devolved absent voting application" in regulation 3(1).

Regulation 13 amends Part 4 (absent voters) of the 2001 Regulations so that relevant devolved absent voting applications for local government elections in Wales must include the applicant's national insurance number, or the reason why the applicant is not able to provide it.

Part 4 makes provision about the use of the UK digital service for relevant devolved absent voting applications.

Regulations 15 and 16 amend the 2025 Order to provide for the online submission of relevant devolved absent voting applications for Senedd elections through the UK digital service.

Regulations 18 and 19 amend the 2001 Regulations to provide for the online submission of relevant devolved absent voting applications for local government elections in Wales through the UK digital service.

Part 5 makes provision for the verification of information provided in a relevant devolved absent voting application, provides a power to request additional evidence and makes provision to allow for the processing of information provided.

Regulation 20 amends Schedule 1 (absent voting at Senedd elections) to the 2025 Order to insert new paragraphs 11A, 11B and 11C. Paragraph 11A provides for the verification of information provided in relevant devolved absent voting applications for Senedd elections. Paragraph 11B provides a power for registration officers to request further evidence in order to verify the applicant's identity. Paragraph 11C sets out provisions relating to the processing of information provided in connection with relevant devolved absent voting applications for Senedd elections.

Regulation 21 amends regulations 56B, 56C and 56D in Part 4 (absent voters) of the 2001 Regulations so that equivalent provisions to those set out in regulation 20 apply to local government elections in Wales.

Part 6 makes consequential amendments to the 2025 Order and the 2001 Regulations.

Regulation 23 amends article 141 (electronic applications, notices and signatures) of the 2025 Order so that an attestation given under the new paragraph 11B(5) of Schedule 1 (absent voting at Senedd elections) is included in paragraph (1) and clarifies that the signature requirements in paragraphs (2) to (4) do not apply in relation to relevant

devolved absent voting applications for Senedd elections, the requirements for which are set out in Schedule 1 (absent voting at Senedd elections).

Regulation 24 amends paragraphs 9 and 11 of Schedule 1 (absent voting at Senedd elections) to the 2025 Order to allow a person to submit an application to vote by proxy for Senedd elections up to 5 p.m. on the day of the poll in circumstances where an earlier application is not received by the registration officer before a relevant deadline due to a technical defect in the UK digital service.

Regulations 26 and 27 make amendments to the 2001 Regulations to make it clear the circumstances in which the relevant provisions apply and when they do not apply to relevant devolved absent voting applications.

Regulation 28 amends regulation 56 of the 2001 Regulations to allow a person to submit an application to vote by proxy for local government elections in Wales up to 5 p.m. on the day of the poll in circumstances where an earlier application is not received by the registration officer before a relevant deadline due to a technical defect in the UK digital service.

Part 7 contains transitional provisions related to the amendments made by the 2025 Act and these Regulations.

Regulation 30 provides that a devolved absent voting application or a devolved proxy postal voting application that is made before, but not determined by, 3 November 2026 (“relevant day”) is to be treated as not having been made.

Regulation 31 makes provisions for the termination of certain devolved proxy postal vote entitlements. Where a person has both a devolved proxy postal vote entitlement and a reserved proxy postal vote entitlement, the person’s devolved proxy postal vote entitlement ends on the relevant day.

Regulation 32 makes transitional provision in relation to existing postal voters for both Senedd elections and local government elections in Wales at the time the new limit on the maximum period for which a person can apply for a postal vote comes into force. The transitional arrangements will apply to postal voters who, before the relevant day, have either a devolved postal vote entitlement, or a devolved proxy postal vote entitlement (but only where they do not also have a reserved proxy postal entitlement), which lasts for an indefinite period or for a particular period that would expire after the 31 January 2029 following the relevant day. Under regulation 32(4), these persons will continue to be able to vote by post until the later of: (a) the third 31 January following the relevant day or “the signature refresh date” if this is sooner; or (b) if later, the date on which a person’s reserved postal vote entitlement, if they have one, ends. The signature refresh date is the date by which the registration officer would ordinarily be required to send a notice to the postal voter requiring them to provide a fresh signature (under the current signature refresh provisions, this notice must be sent by 31 January in any year if a person’s signature on record is more than five years old). The notice that is ordinarily required to be sent will not be required if the person’s only entitlement to vote as an absent voter is a postal vote that will expire on the signature refresh date under the transitional provisions. The registration officer must, before the end of the period for which a postal voter has a postal vote, send a notice which informs the person of the date on which their postal vote entitlement ends and provides information about how to make a fresh application to vote by post.

Regulation 33 provides for the alignment of signature refresh dates where a person has both a devolved and a reserved proxy vote entitlement and the signature refresh dates for the entitlements are different. The aligned signature refresh dates will end on the signature refresh date for the person's reserved proxy vote entitlement.

Regulation 34 deals with postal vote discrepancies and the termination of certain devolved postal vote entitlements. Where a person has both a devolved and a reserved postal vote entitlement, and, before the relevant day, there is a discrepancy in the postal vote addresses held on the records kept by the registration officer for those entitlements, the person's devolved postal vote entitlement ends on the relevant day. Prior to the relevant day, where it is reasonably practicable to do so, the registration officer will write to the person to inform them of the discrepancy and to let them know that the addresses must be the same if both the devolved and reserved postal vote entitlements are to be in place from the relevant day. The registration officer must also inform the person that if a fresh application to vote by post is not made before and determined by the relevant day, and the address discrepancy remains, the person's devolved postal vote entitlement will end on the relevant day.

Regulation 35 deals with postal vote signature discrepancies. Where a person has both a devolved and a reserved postal vote entitlement, and there is a discrepancy in the signatures held on the records kept by the registration officer for those entitlements, with effect from the relevant day, the registration officer must apply the signature from the person's reserved postal vote entitlement as the sole signature kept in the registration officer's record for both the devolved and reserved postal vote entitlement.

Regulation 36 deals with signature waiver discrepancies and the termination of certain devolved absent vote entitlements. Where a person has both a devolved and a reserved absent vote entitlement, and a signature waiver has been granted in respect of one of the entitlements only, the person's devolved absent vote entitlement ends on the relevant day. Prior to the relevant day, where it is reasonably practicable to do so, the registration officer will write to the person to inform them of the discrepancy and to let them know that the person must either have a signature waiver in place for both of the entitlements or neither of the entitlements if the person is to have both a reserved and a devolved absent vote entitlement in place at the same time on the relevant day. The registration officer must also inform the person that if a fresh application is not made before and determined by the relevant day, and the discrepancy remains, the person's devolved absent vote entitlement will end on the relevant day.

Regulation 37 deals with proxy name and address discrepancies and the termination of certain devolved proxy vote entitlements. Where a person has both a devolved and a reserved proxy appointment, and there is a discrepancy in the proxy names, the proxy addresses or both held on the records kept by the registration officer for those appointments, then the person's devolved proxy vote entitlement ends on the relevant day. Prior to the relevant day, where it is reasonably practicable to do so, the registration officer will write to the person to inform them of the discrepancy and to let them know that the devolved and reserved proxy appointment details must be the same if the person is to have both in place at the same time on the relevant day. The registration officer must also inform the person that if a fresh application is not made before and determined by the relevant day, and the discrepancy remains, the person's devolved absent vote entitlement will end on the relevant day.

Regulations 38 and 39 deal with postal vote and proxy vote discrepancies and termination of certain devolved postal vote entitlements or devolved proxy vote entitlements. Where a person has a devolved postal vote entitlement, and a reserved proxy vote entitlement, the person's devolved postal vote entitlement will end on the relevant day. Where a person has a devolved proxy vote entitlement and a reserved postal vote entitlement, the person's devolved proxy vote entitlement will end on the relevant day. Prior to the relevant day, where it is reasonably practicable to do so, the registration officer will write to the person to inform them of the discrepancy and to let them know that the devolved and reserved arrangements must be the same if the person is to have both in place at the same time on the relevant day. The registration officer must also inform the person that if a fresh application is not made before and determined by the relevant day, and the discrepancy remains, the person's devolved postal vote entitlement or devolved proxy vote entitlement, as the case may be, will end on the relevant day.

Part 8 makes a number of miscellaneous amendments to the 2025 Order.

Regulation 41 clarifies the time by which the election expenses of a candidate must be paid. This is 28 days after the day on which the result or results of the election are declared.

Regulation 42 makes an amendment to paragraph 14(3) of Schedule 2 (spoilt postal ballot paper) to the 2025 Order to clarify that the returning officer is not required to issue a replacement postal ballot paper or ballot papers where the documents referred to are received after 5.00 p.m. on the day of the poll.

Regulation 43 makes minor amendments to Schedule 5 (Senedd election rules) to the 2025 Order.

In accordance with paragraph 4 of Schedule 6 to the 2025 Order (payments etc. not to be regarded as donations), donations to individual candidates of under £500 are to be disregarded. Regulation 44 makes minor amendments to paragraph 6 of Schedule 6 (prohibition on accepting donations from impermissible donors) so that the reporting requirements for relevant donations from permissible donors only apply in relation to donations of over £500.

The Welsh Ministers' Code of Practice on the carrying out of Regulatory Impact Assessments was considered in relation to these Regulations. As a result, a regulatory impact assessment has been prepared as to the likely costs and benefits of complying with these Regulations. A copy can be obtained from Welsh Government, Cathays Park, Cardiff, CF10 3NQ and is published on www.gov.wales.

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REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE, WALES

SENEDD CYMRU

LOCAL GOVERNMENT, WALES

The Representation of the People (Absent Voting and Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) Regulations 2026

Made *18 March 2026*

Coming into force in accordance with regulation 1(2) and (3)

The Welsh Ministers make the following Regulations, in exercise of the powers conferred by—

(a) sections 53(1)(c), (3) and (9)(b) and 201(3) of, and paragraphs 1(2) and (5A), 3, 5ZB(1), (2) and (5), 5A(1), (3) and (4) and 13(2) of Schedule 2 to, the Representation of the People Act 1983(**1**);

(b) paragraphs 3(1)(b) and (2)(c), 4(1)(b) and (2)(c), 6(7) to (9)(**2**) and 7B of Schedule 4 to the Representation of the People Act 2000(**3**);

(**1**) 1983 c. 2. Section 53(3) was amended by section 24 of, and paragraph 13 of Schedule 4 to, the Representation of the People Act 1985 (c. 50) ("RPA 1985"). Section 53(9)(b) was inserted by section 7(10) of the Wales Act 2017 (c. 4). Section 201(3) was inserted by paragraph 21 of Schedule 1 to the Representation of the People Act 2000 (c. 2) ("2000 Act") and amended by paragraph 6(7) of Schedule 21 to the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 (c. 41). Paragraph 1(2) of Schedule 2 was amended by paragraph 24(2) of Schedule 1 to the 2000 Act and by paragraph 20(2) of Schedule 4 to the Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013 (c. 6). Paragraph 1(5A) of Schedule 2 was inserted by paragraph 3(3) of Schedule 2 to the Elections Act 2022 (c. 37) and amended by section 1(2) of the Absent Voting (Elections in Scotland and Wales) Act 2025 (c. 27) ("2025 Act"). Paragraph 5ZB of Schedule 2 was inserted by section 1(3) of the 2025 Act. Paragraph 5A of Schedule 2 was inserted by section 11(a) of, and paragraph 8 of Schedule 2 to, the RPA 1985 and was amended by section 15(1) of, and paragraph 11(2) of Schedule 6 to, the 2000 Act. The functions of the Secretary of State were transferred, in relation to Wales, to the Welsh Ministers by article 45 of, and paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 to, the Welsh Ministers (Transfer of Functions) Order 2018 (S.I. 2018/644).

(**2**) These provisions provide that "prescribed" requirements must be met. "Prescribed" means set out in regulations, by virtue of section 202(1) of the Representation of the People Act 1983 (c. 50), as read with paragraph 1(2) of Schedule 4 to the Representation of the People Act 2000 (c. 2).

(**3**) 2000 c. 2. Paragraph 3(1)(b) of Schedule 4 was amended by section 14(1)(a) of the Electoral Administration Act 2006 (c. 22) ("EAA 2006"), by paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 3 to the Elections Act 2022 and is prospectively amended by section 1(5)(a) of the Absent Voting (Elections in Scotland and Wales) Act 2025 (c. 27) from 3 November 2026. Paragraph 3(2)(c) was amended by section 14(1)(b) of the EAA 2006. Paragraph 4(1)(b) of Schedule 4 was amended by section 14(2)(a) of the EAA 2006. Paragraph 4(2)(c) of Schedule 4 was amended by section 14(2)(b) of the EAA 2006. Paragraph 7B of Schedule 4 was inserted by section 14(4) and (8) of the EAA 2006. The functions of the Secretary of State were transferred, in relation to Wales, to the Welsh Ministers by article 45 of, and paragraph 2 of Schedule 1 to, the Welsh Ministers (Transfer of Functions) Order 2018 (S.I. 2018/644).

(c) sections 13(1)(a)(**4**), (2)(a) and (4), 13B(1) and (2) and 157(2)(c) of the Government of Wales Act 2006(**5**).

In accordance with section 53(10A) of the Representation of the People Act 1983(**6**) and section 13B(5) of the Government of Wales Act 2006(**7**), the Welsh Ministers have obtained the agreement of a Minister of the Crown to the making of the relevant provisions in these Regulations.

In accordance with section 7(1) and (2)(e) and (f) of the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000(**8**), the Welsh Ministers have consulted with the Electoral Commission prior to these Regulations being made.

In accordance with the Senedd approval procedure applied by section 201(2) of the Representation of the People Act 1983(**9**) and sections 13(7) and 13B(7) of the Government of Wales Act 2006(**10**) a draft of this Welsh statutory instrument was laid before, and approved by resolution of, Senedd Cymru.

PART 1
GENERAL

Title and commencement

1.—(1) The title of these Regulations is the Representation of the People (Absent Voting and Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) Regulations 2026.

(2) Subject to paragraph (3), these Regulations come into force on 24 March 2026.

(3) Regulations 3 to 28 come into force on 3 November 2026.

Interpretation

2. In these Regulations—

"2000 Act" ("*Deddf 2000*") means the Representation of the People Act 2000;

(**4**) The power to make an order under section 13(1) of the Government of Wales Act 2006 (c. 32) may be exercised to make regulations by virtue of section 39 of the Legislation (Wales) Act 2019 (anaw 4).

(**5**) 2006 c. 32. Section 13 was substituted by section 5(1) of the Wales Act 2017 (c. 4) ("the 2017 Act"). It was subsequently amended by paragraph 2 of Schedule 1 to the Senedd and Elections (Wales) Act 2020 (anaw 1), by paragraph 29 of Schedule 3 to the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 (c. 16) and by section 10(3) of the Senedd Cymru (Members and Elections) Act 2024 (asc 4). Section 13B was inserted by section 3 of the Absent Voting (Elections in Scotland and Wales) Act 2025 (c. 27). Section 157 was amended by paragraphs 1 and 8 of Schedule 6 to the 2017 Act.

(**6**) Section 53(10A) was inserted by section 7(11) of the Wales Act 2017 (c. 4).

(**7**) Section 13B(5) was inserted by section 3 of the Absent Voting (Elections in Scotland and Wales) Act 2025 (c. 27).

(**8**) 2000 c. 41. Section 7(2)(f) was substituted by paragraph 93 of Schedule 1 to S.I. 2007/1388 and subsequently amended by section 5(3) of the Wales Act 2017 (c. 4) and paragraph 6(3) of Schedule 1 to the Elections and Elected Bodies (Wales) Act 2024 (asc 5).

(**9**) Section 201(2) was substituted by section 24 of, and paragraph 69 of Schedule 4 to, the Representation of the People Act 1985 (c. 50) and was amended by paragraph 6(1) and (7)(b) of Schedule 21 to the Political Parties Elections and Referendum Act 2000 (c. 41), by section 13(2) of the Northern Ireland (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2014 (c. 13), by paragraph 1(9)(a) of Schedule 8 to the Elections Act 2022 (c. 37) and by S.I. 1991/1725.

(**10**) See also section 40 of the Legislation (Wales) Act 2019 (anaw 4) for provision about the procedure that applies to this instrument.

"2001 Regulations" ("*Rheoliadau 2001*") means the Representation of the People (England and Wales) Regulations 2001(**11**);

"2025 Order" ("*Gorchymyn 2025*") means the Senedd Cymru (Representation of the People) Order 2025(**12**);

"local government election" ("*etholiad llywodraeth leol*") means the election of councillors for any electoral ward or community ward in Wales or, in the case of a community in Wales where there are no wards, the community for which the election of councillors is held under Part 2 of the Local Government Act 1972(**13**);

"relevant devolved absent voting application" ("*cais pleidleisio absennol datganoledig perthnasol*") means an application, including a partially completed application, made under—

(a) article 6, 7, 9 or 10 of the 2025 Order in relation to a Senedd election, or Senedd elections, or

(b) paragraph 3, 4 or 6 of Schedule 4 to the 2000 Act(**14**) in relation to a local government election, or local government elections, in Wales;

"Senedd election" ("*etholiad i'r Senedd*") means an election to Senedd Cymru.

PART 2

RESTRICTION OF PERIOD FOR WHICH A PERSON CAN APPLY FOR A POSTAL VOTE

Introduction to Part 2

3. This Part contains provision—

(a) limiting the period for which a person can apply to vote by post at a Senedd election, and

(b) relating to the implementation of the amendments made to Schedule 4 to the 2000 Act by the Absent Voting (Elections in Scotland and Wales) Act 2025(**15**), which limit the period for which a person can apply to vote by post at local government elections in Wales.

Senedd Elections

4. The 2025 Order is amended in accordance with regulations 5 to 7.

(**11**) S.I. 2001/341; relevant amending instruments are S.I. 2001/1700, 2002/1871, 2006/752, 2006/2910, 2008/1901, 2009/725, 2013/3198, 2015/1971, 2016/211, 2016/694, 2018/312, 2018/1310, 2019/1451, 2020/50, 2021/391, 2021/1265, 2022/175, 2022/1382, 2023/1147, 2023/1150, 2023/1225, 2023/1406, 2024/43, 2024/665 and 2024/991.

(**12**) S.I. 2025/864 (W. 150).

(**13**) 1972 c. 70.

(**14**) Paragraph 3 was amended by section 261(1) of, and Schedule 27 to, the Civil Partnership Act 2004 (c. 33) ("2004 Act"), by sections 10, 14 and 74 of, and Schedule 1 to, the Electoral Administration Act 2006 (c. 22) ("EAA 2006"), by sections 20 and 34(5) of the Local Electoral Administration and Registration Services (Scotland) Act 2006 (asp 14) ("2006 Act"), by section 9 of the Scottish Elections (Franchise and Representation) Act 2020 (asp 6), and by section 3 of, and Schedule 3 to, the Elections Act 2022 (c. 37) ("2022 Act"). Paragraph 3 is prospectively amended by section 1(5) of the Absent Voting (Elections in Scotland and Wales) Act 2025 (c. 27) from 3 November 2026. Paragraph 4 was amended by sections 10(2) and 14 of, and Schedule 1 to, the EAA 2006 and by section 20 of the 2006 Act. Paragraph 6 was amended by section 261(1) of, and paragraph 164 of Schedule 27 to, the 2004 Act, by section 3 of the Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013 (c. 6), by section 23 of, and paragraph 8 of Schedule 2 to, the Local Government and Elections (Wales Act) 2021 (asc 1) and by section 6 of, and paragraph 7 of Schedule 4 to, the 2022 Act.

(**15**) 2025 c. 27.

Amendment of article 6 (absent vote at Senedd elections for a particular or an indefinite period)

5.—(1) Article 6 (absent vote at Senedd elections for a particular or an indefinite period) is amended as follows.

(2) In the heading before article 6, omit "for a particular or an indefinite period".

(3) In paragraph (1), in the words before sub-paragraph (a), omit "whether for an indefinite period or for a particular period specified in the application,".

(4) After paragraph (1), insert—

"(1A) Any application granted under paragraph (1), is to be granted for—

(a) the period ending with the third 31 January following the date on which the application is granted, or

(b) any shorter period specified in the application."

(5) In paragraph (4)—

(a) omit sub-paragraph (a);

(b) in sub-paragraph (b), after "post," insert "the periods for which they may do so and";

(c) in sub-paragraph (c), after "proxy," insert "whether the applications were to vote by proxy for an indefinite or particular period and specifying that period, and".

(6) In paragraph (5)—

(a) omit the "or" at the end of sub-paragraph (d);

(b) in sub-paragraph (e)—

(i) omit "by post or";

(ii) for the "." at the end of the sub-paragraph, substitute ", or";

(c) after sub-paragraph (e), insert—

"(f) in the case of a person shown in the record as voting by post, once the period for which the person is entitled to vote by post, in accordance with paragraph (1A), has expired."

(7) In paragraph (8), omit ", whether for an indefinite period or for a particular period specified in the application".

(8) After paragraph (8), insert—

"(8A) Paragraph (1A) applies to an application under sub-paragraph (8) to vote by post, as it applies to an application under paragraph (1)."

Amendment of article 10 (voting as proxy at Senedd elections)

6.—(1) Article 10 (voting as proxy at Senedd elections) is amended as follows.

(2) In paragraph (4)(a), omit "whether for an indefinite period or for a particular period specified in the person's application,".

(3) After paragraph (5), insert—

"(5A) Any application granted under paragraph (4)(a) to vote by post as proxy, is to be granted for—

(a) the period ending with the third 31 January following the date on which the application is granted, or

(b) any shorter period specified in the application."

(4) For paragraph (6)(a), substitute—

"(a) the periods for which they may vote by post as proxy, in accordance with paragraph (5A), and".

(5) In paragraph (10)(b), for "for a particular period, once that period expires" substitute ", once the period for which the person is entitled to vote by post as proxy, in accordance with paragraph (5A), has ended".

Amendment of Schedule 1 (absent voting at Senedd elections)

7.—(1) Schedule 1 to the 2025 Order (absent voting at Senedd elections) is amended as follows.

(2) In paragraph 1—

(a) in sub-paragraph (1), omit "for a particular or an indefinite period";

(b) in sub-paragraph (5), for paragraph (a), substitute—

"(a) under article 6(1), 9(6) or 10(4)(a) for—

(i) an indefinite period,

(ii) the maximum period as specified in article 6(1A)(a) or 10(5A)(a), or

(iii) the period specified in the application, or".

(3) In paragraph 12 (grant or refusal of applications)—

(a) after sub-paragraph (1), insert—

"(1A) The notification under sub-paragraph (1) must include—

(a) if the postal vote entitlement is for a particular election, the day of the poll for which the elector's entitlement to vote by post has been granted,

(b) otherwise, the date on which the elector's entitlement to vote by post ends, in accordance with article 6(1A) or 10(5A), as relevant.";

(b) after sub-paragraph (8), insert—

"(8A) Sub-paragraphs (8B) to (8D) apply if—

(a) an application has been made under article 6, 7, 9 or 10, and

(b) either—

(i) paragraph 2(2) applies to that application, or would have applied if paragraph 2(3) was ignored, or

(ii) paragraph 3(1) and (2) applies to that application, or would have applied if paragraph 3(3) was ignored.

(8B) A notification under sub-paragraph (1) to one of the following types of applicants must also include a statement that ballot papers will be sent to the postal ballot delivery address—

(a) an applicant registered in pursuance of a service declaration;

(b) an applicant registered in pursuance of a declaration of local connection (within the meaning of section 7B of the 1983 Act(**16**));

(**16**) Section 7B was inserted by section 6 of the Representation of the People Act 2000 (c. 2) and was relevantly amended by section 19 of the Senedd and Elections (Wales) Act 2020 (anaw 1), by section 23 of, and

(c) an applicant who is a merchant seaman (within the meaning of section 6 of the 1983 Act(**17**));

(d) an applicant who has an anonymous entry.

(8C) If sub-paragraphs (a) to (d) of sub-paragraph (8B) do not apply to the applicant, the registration officer must, in addition to notifying the applicant under sub-paragraph (1), (4), (5) or (8), notify the applicant in writing that—

(a) the application has been granted, refused or disregarded, and

(b) where the application has been granted, ballot papers will be sent to the postal ballot delivery address.

(8D) A notification under paragraph (8C) must be delivered to—

(a) if paragraph (8A)(b)(ii) applies and the notification is to be delivered to a person shown as voting by post in the record kept under article 8(1)(a), the address shown in that record;

(b) otherwise—

(i) the address stated in the application in accordance with paragraph 1(1)(b), or

(ii) the proxy's address stated in the application in accordance with paragraph 1(1)(c).

(8E) In sub-paragraphs (8B) and (8C), the "postal ballot delivery address" means—

(a) if sub-paragraph (8A)(b)(i) applies, the address stated in the application in accordance with paragraph 1(1)(d);

(b) if sub-paragraph (8A)(b)(ii) applies, the different address described in paragraph 3(1) and (2).

(8F) In sub-paragraph (8B) "service declaration" has the same meaning as in section 202(1) of the 1983 Act(**18**)."

(4) After paragraph 15 (inquiries by registration officer), insert—

"Requirement to notify certain electors and proxies that postal vote entitlement is to end

15A.—(1) This paragraph applies in respect of an elector or proxy who remains entitled to vote by post at a Senedd election by virtue of an entitlement which was granted for the maximum period ("the relevant person").

(2) Before the end of the maximum period, the registration officer must send to the relevant person—

(a) notice of the date on which the relevant person's entitlement to vote by post ends, and

(b) information about how to make a fresh application to vote by post, as elector or as proxy.

(3) In this paragraph "maximum period" means the maximum period as specified in article 6(1A)(a) or 10(5A)(a)."

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paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to, the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 (asc 1), by paragraph 1(3) of Schedule 8 to the Elections Act 2022 (c. 37) and by section 10(9) of the Senedd Cymru (Members and Elections Act) 2024 (asc 4).

(**17**) Section 6 was amended by paragraph 2 of Schedule 1 to the Representation of the People Act 2000 (c. 2).

(**18**) Section 202(1) was relevantly amended by section 6 of, and paragraph 3 to, Schedule 4 of the Elections Act 2022 (c. 37).

(5) In paragraph 16 (requirement to provide fresh signatures at five yearly intervals), before sub-paragraph (1), insert—

"(A1) This paragraph does not apply to an elector or proxy so far as that elector or proxy remains entitled to vote by post at a Senedd election."

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8.—(1) Part 4 of the 2001 Regulations (absent voters) is amended as follows.

(2) In regulation 57 (grant or refusal of applications)—

(a) in paragraph (1A), omit "Where a registration officer grants an application to vote by post at a parliamentary election or a local government election in England,"(**19**);

(b) in paragraph (7)(a), for the words from "under Schedule 4" to the end substitute "has been made under Schedule 4;"(**20**).

(3) In regulation 60ZA(1) (requirement to notify certain electors and proxies that postal vote entitlement is to end), omit "in England"(**21**).

(4) In regulation 60A(A1) (requirement to provide fresh signatures at intervals), omit "in England"(**22**).

PART 3

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR RELEVANT DEVOLVED ABSENT VOTING APPLICATIONS – NATIONAL INSURANCE NUMBER

Introduction to Part 3

9. This Part contains provision requiring all relevant devolved absent voting applications for Senedd elections and local government elections in Wales to include the applicant's national insurance number, or the reason why they are not able to provide it.

Senedd Elections

10. In paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 to the 2025 Order (absent voting and Senedd elections), after sub-paragraph (1)(a) insert—

"(aa) the applicant's national insurance number, or if the applicant is not able to provide that information, the reason why the applicant is not able to do so,".

Local government elections

11. The 2001 Regulations are amended in accordance with regulations 12 and 13.

Amendment of Part 1 (general, interpretation and miscellaneous)

12. In regulation 3(1) (interpretation), in the appropriate place in alphabetical order, insert—

(**19**) Regulation 57(1A) was inserted by regulation 5(9)(a) of S.I. 2023/1147.
(**20**) Regulation 57(7) was inserted by regulation 5(9)(d) of S.I. 2003/1147.
(**21**) Regulation 60ZA was inserted by regulation 5(10) of S.I. 2023/1147.
(**22**) Regulation 60A(A1) was inserted by regulation 5(11) of S.I. 2023/1147.

""relevant devolved absent voting applications" means an application (including a partially completed application) under paragraph 3, 4 or 6 of Schedule 4 to 2000 Act in relation to a local government election, or local government elections, in Wales;".

Amendment of Part 4 (absent voters)

13. In regulation 51(2)(aa) of the 2001 Regulations (general requirements for applications for an absent vote)(**23**), after "for a relevant absent voting application," insert "or a relevant devolved absent voting application".

PART 4

USE OF THE UK DIGITAL SERVICE FOR RELEVANT DEVOLVED ABSENT VOTING APPLICATIONS

Senedd Elections

14. The 2025 Order is amended in accordance with regulations 15 and 16.

Amendment of Part 1 (general)

15. In article 2(1) (interpretation), in paragraph (1), in the appropriate place in alphabetical order, insert—

""absent voting application" ("*cais pleidleisio absennol*") means an application, including a partially completed application, made under article 6 (absent vote at Senedd elections), 7 (absent vote at a particular Senedd election), 9 (proxies at Senedd elections) or 10 (voting as proxy at Senedd elections);

"UK digital service" ("*gwasanaeth digidol y DU*") has the same meaning as in section 13B(8) of the Government of Wales Act 2006;"(**24**)."

Amendment of Schedule 1 (absent voting at Senedd elections)

16. In paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 (general requirements for applications for an absent vote), after sub-paragraph (6), insert—

"(6A) If, by virtue of arrangements made by the Minister of the Crown, an absent voting application is made through the UK digital service—

(a) the Minister of the Crown may complete the application in part using information provided by the applicant as part of an application, or partially completed application, made under section 10ZC or 10ZD of the 1983 Act(**25**) for registration in, or alteration of, a register of electors where that application is made through or completed using the UK digital service,

(b) the application must contain a compliant photograph or electronic scan of the applicant's signature if the application is required to contain a signature, and

(**23**) Regulation 51(2)(aa) was inserted by regulation 5(3)(a) of S.I. 2023/1147.
(**24**) Section 13B(8) was inserted by section 3 of the Absent Voting (Elections in Scotland and Wales) Act 2025 (c. 27).
(**25**) Section 10ZC was inserted by section 1(1) of the Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013 (c. 6) ("2013 Act") and amended by section 6(2) of the Scotland Act 2016 (c. 11) ("2016 Act) and section 7(2) to (4) of the Wales Act 2017 (c. 4) ("2017 Act"). Section 10ZD was added by paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 to the 2013 Act and amended by section 6(3) of the 2016 Act and section 7(6) to (8) of the 2017 Act.

(c) the Minister of the Crown must—

(i) request that the applicant provide their most recent previous name, if they have one, and

(ii) provide an explanation of the purpose for which the information will be used.

(6B) In sub-paragraph (6A)(b), "compliant photograph or electronic scan of the applicant's signature" means—

(a) the signature contained in the photograph or electronic scan complies with the requirements of sub-paragraph (3)(a), and

(b) the photograph or electronic scan of the signature is sufficiently clear and unambiguous to comply with the requirements of sub-paragraph (3)(a).

(6C) If an applicant is unable to provide a national insurance number in accordance with sub-paragraph (1)(aa), as part of the application, the applicant may provide a copy of any of the documents listed in paragraph 11B(2) to (4)(**26**).

(6D) A document provided under sub-paragraph (6C) may be transmitted by an applicant by electronic means.

(6E) The Minister of the Crown must send to the registration officer—

(a) any absent voting application the Minister of the Crown receives, subject to sub-paragraph (6F),

(b) the applicant's previous name (if any provided),

(c) any copy documentation provided by the applicant in accordance with sub-paragraph (6C), and

(d) a reference number unique to that application.

(6F) If an absent voting application made through the UK digital service in accordance with sub-paragraph (6A) includes the applicant's national insurance number, the Minister of the Crown—

(a) may send the registration officer that application without the national insurance number, and

(b) where the Minister of the Crown does so, must indicate to the registration officer that a national insurance number was included when the application was made by the applicant."

Local government elections

17. The 2001 Regulations are amended in accordance with regulations 18 and 19.

Amendment of Part 1 (general, interpretation and miscellaneous)

18. In regulation 3(1) (interpretation)(**27**), in the definition of "digital service", in paragraph (a), at the end insert "or relevant devolved absent voting applications".

Amendment of Part 4 (absent voters)

19. In regulation 51 (general requirements for applications for an absent vote)(**28**)—

(**26**) Paragraph 11B of Schedule 1 to the 2025 Order is inserted by regulation 20 of these Regulations.
(**27**) Relevant amendments were made by regulation 3(2)(a)(i) of S.I. 2023/1147 and by article 8 of, and paragraph 16(2) of the Schedule to, S.I. 2024/991.
(**28**) Paragraphs (7) to (11) were inserted by regulation 5(3)(c) of S.I. 2023/1147.

(a) in the opening words of paragraph (7), after "relevant absent voting application" insert "or a relevant devolved absent voting application";

(b) in paragraph (10)(a), after "relevant absent voting application" insert "or relevant devolved absent voting application";

(c) in the opening words of paragraph (11), after "relevant absent voting application" insert "or a relevant devolved absent voting application".

PART 5

VERIFICATION OF INFORMATION PROVIDED IN A RELEVANT DEVOLVED ABSENT VOTING APPLICATION, POWER TO REQUEST ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE AND PROCESSING OF INFORMATION PROVIDED

Senedd Elections

20. In Schedule 1 to the 2025 Order (absent voting at Senedd elections), after paragraph 11 (closing dates for applications), insert—

"Verification of information provided in an absent voting application

11A.—(1) On receipt of an absent voting application made otherwise than through the UK digital service, a registration officer must disclose the applicant's name or names, address, date of birth and national insurance number ("the first stage information") to the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government in such format and through such an infrastructure system as the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government may have notified to the registration officer in writing.

(2) Following receipt of the first stage information from the registration officer or, in the case of an application made by an applicant through or partially completed using the UK digital service, from an applicant, the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government may disclose the first stage information to the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions.

(3) If the first stage information has been disclosed to the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions under sub-paragraph (2), the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions may compare it against—

(a) the name, address, date of birth and national insurance number of individuals appearing in the following types of data kept by the Secretary of State—

(i) data kept for the purposes of functions relating to social security, including such information kept on behalf of the Department for Social Development, and

(ii) data relating to working tax credit, child tax credit and child benefit, being information kept on behalf of His Majesty's Revenue and Customs, and

(b) any other information contained in such types of data which relates to the information disclosed under sub-paragraph (2).

(4) The Secretary of State for Work and Pensions may disclose the results of the comparison of the first stage information under sub-paragraph (3) ("the second stage information") to the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government.

(5) On receipt of the second stage information, the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government may disclose that information—

(a) to the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, or

(b) to the registration officer to whom the application has been made or, in the case of an application made through the UK digital service, the registration officer appointed for the register to which the application relates.

(6) Sub-paragraph (3) applies to the second stage information where it has been disclosed to the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions under sub-paragraph (5)(a) as it applies to the first stage information disclosed under sub-paragraph (2).

(7) The Secretary of State for Work and Pensions may disclose the results of the comparison of the second stage information under sub-paragraph (6) ("the third stage information") to the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government.

(8) On receipt of the third stage information, the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government may—

(a) compare the third stage information against the information provided in the absent voting application, and

(b) notify the registration officer to whom the application has been made or, in the case of an application made through the UK digital service, the registration officer appointed for the register to which the application relates, as to whether the comparison in sub-paragraph 8(a) resulted in a match.

(9) When determining the application, the registration officer must take into account any information disclosed by, or notification received from, the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government in accordance with this paragraph.

(10) This paragraph does not apply in relation to an application under article 7(2)—

(a) which is received by the registration officer after 5.00 p.m. on the sixth day before the day of the poll at the election for which it is made, and

(b) if paragraph 11(3) or (3A) applies.

(11) In sub-paragraph (1)—

(a) "infrastructure system" has the meaning given in paragraph 7 of Schedule 3A to the Communications Act 2003(**29**);

(b) the reference to the applicant's address is a reference to the address contained in the application under paragraph 1(1)(b).

Power to request additional evidence in relation to absent voting applications where registration officer considers it necessary

11B.—(1) This paragraph applies where, upon receipt of an absent voting application, a registration officer considers additional evidence is necessary to verify the identity of the applicant.

(2) The registration officer may require the applicant to provide the registration officer with a copy, or where the registration officer considers it appropriate, the original, of one of the following documents—

(a) the applicant's passport;

(**29**) 2003 c. 21. Schedule 3A was inserted by section 4(2) and Schedule 1 to the Digital Economy Act 2017 (c. 30).

(b) the applicant's identity card issued in the European Economic Area;

(c) the applicant's biometric immigration document issued in the United Kingdom in accordance with regulations made under section 5 of the UK Borders Act 2007(**30**);

(d) the applicant's electoral identity card issued in Northern Ireland;

(e) the applicant's photocard driving licence granted in the United Kingdom or driving licence granted by a Crown Dependency, which bears a photograph of the applicant.

(3) If an applicant is not able to provide one of the documents in sub-paragraph (2), the registration officer may require the applicant to provide the registration officer with a copy, or where the registration officer considers it appropriate, the original, of—

(a) one of the following documents, which, except in relation to paragraph (vii), must have been issued in the United Kingdom or in a Crown Dependency—

(i) the applicant's birth certificate;

(ii) the applicant's marriage or civil partnership certificate;

(iii) the applicant's adoption certificate;

(iv) the applicant's firearms certificate granted under the Firearms Act 1968(**31**);

(v) the record of a decision on bail made in respect of the applicant in accordance with section 5(1) of the Bail Act 1976(**32**);

(vi) the applicant's driving licence, which is not in the form of a photocard;

(vii) the applicant's driving licence, granted other than in the United Kingdom or Crown Dependencies, which bears a photograph of the applicant and which must be valid for at least 12 months from the date the applicant entered the United Kingdom, and

(b) two other documents, each of which may be either from sub-paragraph (3)(a) or from sub-paragraph (4)(a) to (e).

(4) If the applicant is not able to provide documents in accordance with sub-paragraph (3), the registration officer may require that the applicant provides the registration officer with a copy, or where the registration officer considers it appropriate, the original, of four documents, each of which may be any of the following kinds of evidence and which must bear the applicant's full name—

(a) a financial statement, including but not limited to—

(i) a mortgage statement;

(ii) a bank or building society statement or a letter from a bank or building society confirming that the applicant has opened an account with that bank or building society;

(iii) a credit card statement;

(iv) a pension statement;

(**30**) 2007 c. 30. Section 5(6) was amended by paragraph 19 of the Schedule to the Identity Documents Act 2010 (c. 40).
(**31**) 1968 c. 27.
(**32**) 1976 c. 63. Section 5(1) was amended by section 27(3) of, and paragraph 1(a) of Schedule 3 to, the Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994 (c. 33) and by Part 12 of Schedule 37 to the Criminal Justice Act 2003 (c. 44).

(b) a council tax demand letter or statement;

(c) a utility bill;

(d) a Form P45 or Form P60 issued to the applicant by their employer or former employer;

(e) a statement of benefits or entitlement to benefits, such as a statement of child benefit, within the meaning of section 141 of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992(**33**), or a letter confirming that the applicant is entitled to housing benefit, within the meaning of section 130 of that Act(**34**).

(5) If an applicant is unable to provide the documentary evidence required under sub-paragraphs (2) to (4), the registration officer may require that the applicant provides an attestation which must—

(a) confirm that the applicant is the person named in the application,

(b) state that the person signing the attestation is aware of the penalty for providing false information to a registration officer,

(c) be in writing and signed by a person—

(i) whom the registration officer is satisfied is of good standing in the community,

(ii) who is registered as an elector in a local authority area in England or Wales,

(iii) who is not the spouse, civil partner, parent, grandparent, brother, sister, child or grandchild of the applicant, and

(iv) who has not already signed a relevant identity attestation for any other applicants since, whichever is the later of—

(aa) the date on which the revised register in which that person's name appears was last published under section 13(1) of the 1983 Act(**35**), or

(bb) the date on which a notice specifying that person's entry in the register was issued under section 13A(2), 13AB(2), 13B or 13BC of that Act(**36**), and if there has been more than one such notice, the date on which the last one was issued;

(**33**) 1992 (c. 4). Section 141 was amended by section 1(1) of the Child Benefit Act 2005 (c. 6).

(**34**) Section 130 was amended by section 103 of, and paragraph 3 of Schedule 9 to, the Local Government Finance Act 1992 (c. 14), by section 227 of, and Part 6 of Schedule 19 to, the Housing Act 1996 (c. 52) and by sections 30(1) and 40 of, and paragraph 1(3) of Schedule 5 to, the Welfare Reform Act 2007 (c. 5). It is prospectively amended by section 96 of the Local Government Act 2000 (c. 22) and is prospectively repealed by Part 1 of Schedule 14 to the Welfare Reform Act 2012 (c. 5), from a date and time to be appointed.

(**35**) Section 13 was substituted by section 8(a) of and paragraph 6 of Schedule 1 to the Representation of the People Act 2000 (c. 2). Section 13(1) was further substituted by section 5(1) of the Northern Ireland (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2006 (c. 33).

(**36**) Sections 13A and 13B were inserted by section 8(a) of, and paragraph 6 of Schedule 1 to, the Representation of the People Act 2000 (c. 2). Section 13A(2) was amended by section 30(1) of, and paragraph 4(3) of Schedule 4 to, the Northern Ireland (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2006 ("2006 Act"); there are other amending instruments which are not relevant to these Regulations. Section 13AB was inserted by section 16(3) of the Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013 (c. 6) ("2013 Act"), to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations. Section 13B was amended by section 11 of the Electoral Administration Act 2006 (c. 22), by section 6(1) of the 2006 Act, by section 74 of, and paragraph 3 of Schedule 10 to, the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 (c. 13), by section 13(1) of, and paragraph 13 of Schedule 4 to, the 2013 Act, by section 10(6) of, and paragraph 5 of Schedule 2 to the Recall of MPs Act 2015 (c. 25) ("2015 Act") and by Part 1 of Schedule 1 to the S.I. 2018/1310. It is prospectively amended by section 18(8) of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 (asc 1) from a date and time to be appointed, but section 18 of that Act is prospectively omitted by section 3 of the Elections and Elected Bodies (Wales) Act 2024 (asc 5) from a date and time to be appointed. Section 13BC was inserted by section 10(6) of, and paragraph 7 of Schedule 2 to, the 2015 Act.

(d) state the full name, date of birth, address, electoral number and occupation of the person signing the attestation, and

(e) state the date on which it is made.

(6) Any document provided in accordance with this paragraph may be transmitted by an applicant to a registration officer by electronic means.

(7) In sub-paragraph (5)(c)(iv), a "relevant identity attestation" is an attestation provided in accordance with—

(a) sub-paragraph (5);

(b) regulations 26B(6) or (6ZA) or 56C(5A) or (6) of the 2001 Regulations(**37**);

(c) regulation 26B(6) or (6ZA) or 56C(5A) or (6) of the Representation of the People (Scotland) Regulations 2001(**38**);

(d) regulation 11B(5) of the Representation of the People (Absent Voting at Local Government Elections) (Scotland) Regulations 2007(**39**);

(e) regulation 25A(3) of the Representation of the People (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2008(**40**);

(f) paragraph 16C(5) of Schedule 2 to the Police and Crime Commissioner Elections Order 2012(**41**);

(g) paragraph 9B(5) of Schedule 3 of the Scottish Parliament (Elections etc.) Order 2015(**42**);

(h) regulation 72B(5A) or (6) of the Recall of MPs Act 2015 (Recall Petition) Regulations 2016(**43**);

(i) regulation 7(6) of the Voter Identification Regulations 2022(**44**).

(8) Sub-paragraphs (2) to (5) do not apply where the applicant is registered, or has applied to be registered, in pursuance of any of the following declarations—

(a) a service declaration on the grounds that the applicant is a Crown servant or the spouse or civil partner of a Crown servant;

(b) a service declaration on the grounds that the applicant is a member of the forces;

(c) a service declaration on the grounds that the applicant is the spouse or civil partner of a member of the forces.

(9) If sub-paragraph (8)(a) or (c) applies to an application, the registration officer may require that the applicant provides the registration offer with a copy, or where

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(**37**) Regulation 26B was inserted by regulation 11 of S.I. 2013/3198. Paragraph (6) was amended by regulation 5 of S.I. 2016/694, by regulation 4 of S.I. 2018/312 and by regulation 5(8) of S.I. 2023/1406. Paragraph (6ZA) was inserted by regulation 5(8)(f) of S.I. 2023/1406. Regulation 56C was inserted by regulation 5(8) of S.I. 2023/1147. Paragraph (5A) was inserted by regulation 6(2)(a) of S.I. 2023/1406. Paragraph (6) was subsequently amended by regulation 6(2)(b) of S.I. 2023/1406.

(**38**) S.I. 2001/497. Regulation 26B was inserted by regulation 11 of S.I. 2013/3206. Paragraph (6) was amended by regulation 5 of S.I. 2017/604 and by regulation 10(7) of S.I. 2023/1406. Paragraph (6ZA) was inserted by regulation 10(7)(f) of S.I. 2023/1406. Regulation 56C was inserted by regulation 10(8) of S.I. 2023/1147. Paragraph (5A) was inserted by regulation 11(2)(a) of S.I. 2023/1406. Paragraph (6) was subsequently amended by regulation 11(2)(b) of S.I. 2023/1406.

(**39**) S.S.I. 2007/170. Regulation 11B(5) was inserted by regulation 12 of S.S.I. 2026/122.

(**40**) S.I. 2008/1741. Regulation 25A was inserted by regulation 11 of S.I. 2024/43.

(**41**) S.I. 2012/1917. Paragraph 16C of Schedule 2 was inserted by regulation 17 of S.I. 2023/1147. Sub-paragraph (5) was subsequently substituted by regulation 12 of S.I. 2023/1406.

(**42**) S.S.I. 2015/425. Paragraph 9B(5) of Schedule 3 was inserted by article 9 of S.S.I. 2026/121.

(**43**) S.I. 2016/295. Regulation 72B was inserted by regulation 19 of S.I. 2023/1147. Sub-paragraph (5A) was inserted by regulation 13(5) of S.I. 2023/1406. Subparagraph (6) was subsequently amended by regulation 13(5) of S.I. 2023/1406.

(**44**) S.I. 2022/1382.

the registration officer considers it appropriate, the original, of one of the following documents, which has been certified by a Crown servant or British Council employee or an officer of the forces, who is not the applicant's spouse or civil partner—

(a) the applicant's passport;

(b) the applicant's identity card issued in the European Economic Area.

(10) If sub-paragraph (8)(b) applies to an application, the registration officer may require that the applicant provides an attestation which must—

(a) confirm that the applicant is the person named in the application,

(b) be in writing and signed by an officer of the forces who is not the spouse, civil partner, parent, grandparent, brother, sister, child or grandchild of the applicant,

(c) state the full name, address and rank of the person signing the attestation and the service, whether naval, military or air forces, in which they serve, and

(d) state the date on which it is made.

(11) A document or attestation provided under this paragraph may be transmitted by an applicant by electronic means.

(12) In this paragraph—

"Crown Dependency" means the Bailiwick of Jersey, the Bailiwick of Guernsey or the Isle of Man;

"member of the forces" has the same meaning as in section 59(1) of the 1983 Act(**45**);

"officer of the forces" means a member of the forces who is an officer;

"service declaration" has the same meaning as in section 202(1) of the 1983 Act.

(13) This paragraph does not apply in relation to an application under article 7(2)—

(a) which is received by the registration officer after 5.00 p.m. on the sixth day before the day of the poll at the election for which it is made, and

(b) where paragraph 11(3) or (3A) applies.

Processing of information provided in connection with an absent voting application

11C.—(1) If a person provides an original document under paragraph 11B, the registration officer must make a copy of that document and return the original document to the person who provided it.

(2) In respect of any absent voting application, until the application has been determined, the registration officer must retain—

(a) the application form or, in the case of an application made through the UK digital service, the information contained in the application transmitted to the registration officer by the Secretary of State;

(**45**) Section 59(1) was amended by section 1 of the Representation of the People Act 1993 (c. 29).

(b) any other information or documents provided to the registration officer in connection with the application or, in the case of original documents which are returned under sub-paragraph (1), a copy of such documents.

(3) Subject to sub-paragraph (4), the registration officer may retain the application form, information and documents in sub-paragraph (2) after the application has been determined but, if they do so, must delete the applicant's national insurance number from the application form, information and documents in sub-paragraph (2) by no later than the date which is 13 months from the date on which the registration officer determined the absent voting application.

(4) The requirement to delete the national insurance number in sub-paragraph (3) does not apply where the application, information and documents referred to in sub-paragraph (2) are required for the purpose of any civil or criminal proceedings.

(5) Information disclosed under paragraph 11A must not be disclosed to any other person, except for the purposes of—

(a) determining the absent voting application in connection with which the information was disclosed, or

(b) civil or criminal proceedings.

(6) A person who discloses information in breach of sub-paragraph (5) is guilty of an offence and liable—

(a) on conviction on indictment, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years, or to a fine, or both;

(b) on summary conviction, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding the general limit in a magistrates' court, or to a fine, or both.

(7) Any information disclosed under paragraph 11A must be processed in accordance with any requirements as to the processing of information that may have been imposed by the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government in writing in advance of that processing, including requirements as to the transfer, storage, destruction and security of that information.

(8) In this paragraph "copy" includes an electronic copy."

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21.—(1) Part 4 of the 2001 Regulations (absent voters) is amended as follows.

(2) In regulation 56B (verification of information provided in a relevant absent voting application)(**46**)—

(a) in the heading, after "relevant absent voting application" insert "or a relevant devolved absent voting application";

(b) in paragraph (1), after "relevant absent voting application" insert "or a relevant devolved absent voting application";

(c) in paragraph (8)(a), after "relevant absent voting application" insert "or the relevant devolved absent voting application".

(**46**) Regulation 56B was inserted by regulation 5(8) of S.I. 2023/1147 and was subsequently amended by regulation 8 of, and paragraph 16(10) of Part 2 of the Schedule to, S.I. 2024/991.

(3) In regulation 56C (power to request additional evidence in relation to relevant absent voting applications where the registration officer considers it necessary)(**47**)—

(a) in the heading, after "relevant absent voting applications" insert "or relevant devolved absent voting applications";

(b) in paragraph (1), after "relevant absent voting application" insert "or a relevant devolved absent voting application";

(c) in paragraph (5), in the words before sub-paragraph (a), after "Where" insert ", in relation to a relevant absent voting application,";

(d) in paragraph (8), after sub-paragraph (f), insert—

"(g) paragraph 11B(5) of Schedule 1 to the Senedd Cymru (Representation of the People) Order 2025, in relation to a relevant devolved absent voting application.";

(e) in paragraph (9), in the words before sub-paragraph (a), omit "in England".

(4) In regulation 56D (processing of information provided in connection with a relevant absent voting application)(**48**)—

(a) in the heading, after "relevant absent voting application" insert "or a relevant devolved absent voting application";

(b) in paragraph (2), in the words before sub-paragraph (a), after "relevant absent voting application" insert "or relevant devolved absent voting application";

(c) in paragraph (3), after "relevant absent voting application" insert "or the relevant devolved absent voting application";

(d) in paragraph (5)(a), after "relevant absent voting application" insert "or the relevant devolved absent voting application";

(e) in paragraph (6), after "paragraph (5)" insert "in connection with a relevant absent voting application,".

PART 6

CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS

Senedd Elections

22. The 2025 Order is amended in accordance with regulation 23 and 24.

Amendment of Part 5 (miscellaneous and supplemental)

23. In article 141 (electronic applications, notices and signatures)—

(a) in paragraph (1), in the words before sub-paragraph (a), after "notice," insert "attestation given under paragraph 11B(5) of Schedule 1 (absent voting at Senedd elections),";

(b) after paragraph (4) insert—

(**47**) Regulation 56C was inserted by regulation 5(8) of S.I. 2023/1147 and was subsequently amended by regulation 6(2) of S.I. 2023/1406 and regulation 22(4) of S.I. 2024/43.

(**48**) Regulation 56D was inserted by regulation 5(8) of S.I. 2023/1147 and relevant amendments were made by regulation 8 of, and paragraph 16(11) of Part 2 of the Schedule to, S.I. 2024/991.

"(5) Paragraphs (2) to (4) do not apply in relation to an absent voting application, the requirements for which are set out in Schedule 1 (absent voting at Senedd elections)."

Amendment of Schedule 1 (absent voting at Senedd elections)

24.—(1) Schedule 1 (absent voting at Senedd elections) is amended as follows.

(2) In paragraph 9 (additional requirements for applications to vote by proxy in respect of a particular Senedd election), after sub-paragraph (7) insert—

"(7A) If an application under article 7(2) is made after 5.00 p.m. on the sixth day before the day of the poll at the election for which it is made because the circumstances set out in paragraph 11(3B)(a) apply, the application must, in addition to providing any other information, state that it is being made because of those circumstances."

(3) In paragraph 11 (closing dates for applications), after sub-paragraph (3) insert—

"(3A) If an application is made under article 7(2) or 9(7) in the circumstances set out in sub-paragraph (3B), the application must be refused if it is received after 5.00 p.m. on the day of the poll at the election for which it is made.

(3B) The circumstances are that—

(a) the applicant submitted the application because an earlier application submitted by that applicant under article 6(2) or 9(6) is to be disregarded for the election for which it is made because that earlier application—

(i) was submitted prior to the deadline of 5.00 p.m. on the sixth day before the day of the poll at the election for which it is made,

(ii) was submitted via the UK digital service, and

(iii) was not received by the registration officer until after the deadline of 5.00 p.m. on the sixth day before the day of the poll at the election for which it is made due to a technical defect in the digital service, or

(b) the application meets the conditions specified in sub-paragraphs (i), (ii) and (iii) of paragraph (a)."

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25. The 2001 Regulations are amended in accordance with regulations 26 to 28.

Amendment of Part 1 (general, interpretation and miscellaneous)

26. In regulation 6(4) (electronic signatures and related certificates)(**49**), after "relevant absent voting application" insert "or a relevant devolved absent voting application".

(**49**) Regulation 6(4) was inserted by regulation 3(4) of S.I. 2023/1147.

Part 3 (registration)

27.—(1) Part 3 (registration) is amended as follows.

(2) In regulation 29ZB (processing of information provided in connection with an application under section 10ZC or 10ZD)(**50**)—

(a) in paragraph (5)(aa)(i), after "relevant absent voting application" in both places it occurs, insert "or relevant devolved absent voting application";

(b) after paragraph (5)(aa)(i) insert—

"(ia) an application for an absent vote made under article 6, 7, 9 or 10 of the Senedd Cymru (Representation of the People) Order 2025 by the same applicant where that information is used by the Secretary of State to complete in part that application by virtue of paragraph 1(6A) of Schedule 1 to that Order,".

(3) In regulation 35(4) (registration officer's right to inspect certain records)(**51**), after "relevant absent voting application" insert "or a relevant devolved absent voting application".

(4) In regulation 35A(1) (disclosure of certain local authorities' records)(**52**), after "relevant absent voting application" insert "or a relevant devolved absent voting application".

Part 4 (absent voting)

28. In regulation 56(3D) (closing date for applications)(**53**), after "paragraph (3F)" insert "in relation to a parliamentary election or a local government election in England or Wales".

PART 7

TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS

Definitions

29. In this Part—

"1983 Act" ("*Deddf 1983*") means the Representation of the People Act 1983(**54**);

"devolved absent vote entitlement" ("*hawlogaeth i bleidlais absennol ddatganoledig*") means an entitlement to vote by proxy or to vote by post, where the entitlement was granted before the relevant day, at—

(a) a Senedd election, or Senedd elections, on an application under article 6, 7 or 9 of the 2025 Order, or

(b) a local government election, or local government elections, in Wales on an application under paragraph 3, 4 or 6 of Schedule 4 to the 2000 Act;

(**50**) Regulation 29ZB(5)(aa) was inserted by regulation 4(3)(b)(ii) of S.I. 2023/1147 and was subsequently amended by regulation 5(12)(b)(ii) of S.I. 2023/1406.
(**51**) Regulation 35(4) was inserted by regulation 5(18) of S.I. 2023/1406.
(**52**) Regulation 35A was inserted by regulation 3 of S.I. 2014/1234 and regulation 35A(1) was subsequently amended by regulation 5(19) of S.I. 2023/1406.
(**53**) Regulation 56(3D) was inserted by regulation 38(7)(d) of S.I. 2022/1382 and was subsequently amended by regulation 5(7)(a) of S.I. 2023/1147.
(**54**) 1983 c. 2.

"devolved absent voting application" ("*cais pleidleisio absennol datganoledig*") means an application, including a partially completed application, made under—

(a) article 6, 7 or 9 of the 2025 Order in relation to a Senedd election, or Senedd elections, or

(b) paragraph 3, 4 or 6 of Schedule 4 to the 2000 Act in relation to a local government election, or local government elections, in Wales;

"devolved postal vote entitlement" ("*hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy'r post ddatganoledig*") means an entitlement to vote by post, as an elector, at—

(a) a Senedd election, or Senedd elections, where the entitlement was granted before the relevant day on an application under article 6(1), 6(8) or 7(1) of the 2025 Order, or

(b) a local government election, or local government elections, in Wales, where the entitlement was granted before the relevant day on an application under paragraph 3(1), 3(7) or 4(1) of Schedule 4 to the 2000 Act(**55**);

"devolved proxy postal vote entitlement" ("*hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy'r post drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig*") means an entitlement to vote by post, as proxy, at—

(a) a Senedd election, or Senedd elections, where the entitlement was granted before the relevant day on an application under article 10(4) of the 2025 Order, or

(b) a local government election, or local government elections, in Wales, where the entitlement was granted before the relevant day on an application under paragraph 7(4) of Schedule 4 to the 2000 Act(**56**);

"devolved proxy vote entitlement" ("*hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy ddirprwy ddatganoledig*") means an entitlement to vote by proxy, where the entitlement was granted before the relevant day, at—

(a) a Senedd election, or Senedd elections, on an application under article 6(2), 6(6), 7(2) or 7(4) of the 2025 Order, or

(b) a local government election, or local government elections, in Wales on an application under paragraph 3(2), 3(6), 4(2), 4(2A) or 4(3) of Schedule 4 to the 2000 Act(**57**);

"elector" ("*etholwr*"), in relation to an election, means any person who has for the time being an entry on the register to be used at that election, or, in the case of a person who has an anonymous entry in the register, in the record of anonymous entries, but does not include those shown in the register as below voting age on the day fixed for the poll;

"paragraph 16 notice" ("*hysbysiad paragraff 16*") means a notice under paragraph 16(1) of Schedule 1 to the 2025 Order (requirement to provide fresh signatures at five yearly intervals);

(**55**) Paragraph 3(1) of Schedule 4 was amended by section 14(1) of the Electoral Administration Act 2006 (c. 22) ("EAA 2006") and by section 3 of, and paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 3 to, the Elections Act 2022 (c. 37) ("2022 Act") and is prospectively amended by section 1(5)(a) of the Absent Voting (Elections in Scotland and Wales) Act 2025 (c. 27) from 3 November 2026. Paragraph 3(7) of Schedule 4 was amended by section 3 of, and paragraph 2(6) of Schedule 3 to, the 2022 Act and is prospectively amended by section 1(5)(g) of the Absent Voting (Elections in Scotland and Wales) Act 2025 (c. 27) from 3 November 2026. Paragraph 4(1) of Schedule 4 was amended by section 14(2) of the EAA 2006.

(**56**) Paragraph 7(4) of Schedule 4 was amended by section 3 of, and paragraph 3(2) of Schedule 3 to, the Elections Act 2022 (c. 37).

(**57**) Paragraph 3(2) of Schedule 4 was amended by section 14(1)(b) of the Elections Act 2022 (c. 37) and paragraph 3(6) of Schedule 4 was amended by section 14(2)(b) of that Act.

"parliamentary election" ("*etholiad seneddol*") has the same meaning as in Schedule 1 (words and expressions defined) to the Interpretation Act 1978(**58**);

"qualifying address" ("*cyfeiriad cymhwysol*") has the same meaning as in section 9(8)(b) of the 1983 Act (**59**);

"registration officer" ("*swyddog cofrestru*") means an electoral registration officer under section 8 of the 1983 Act(**60**);

"regulation 60A notice" ("*hysbysiad rheoliad 60A*") means a notice under regulation 60A(2) of the 2001 Regulations (requirement to provide fresh signatures at intervals)(**61**);

"relevant day" ("*diwrnod perthnasol*") means 3 November 2026;

"reserved absent vote entitlement" ("*hawlogaeth i bleidlais absennol gadwedig*") means an entitlement to vote by proxy or to vote by post, at a parliamentary election, or parliamentary elections, in Wales, where the entitlement was granted before the relevant day on an application under paragraph 3, 4 or 6 of Schedule 4 to the 2000 Act;

"reserved postal vote entitlement" ("*hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy'r post gadwedig*") means an entitlement to vote by post, at a parliamentary election, or parliamentary elections, in Wales, where the entitlement was granted before the relevant day on an application under paragraph 3(1), 3(7) or 4(1) of Schedule 4 to the 2000 Act;

"reserved proxy postal vote entitlement" ("*hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy'r post drwy ddirprwy gadwedig*") means an entitlement to vote by post, as proxy, at a parliamentary election, or parliamentary elections, in Wales, where the entitlement was granted before the relevant day on an application under paragraph 7(4) of Schedule 4 to the 2000 Act;

"reserved proxy vote entitlement" ("*hawlogaeth i bleidlais drwy ddirprwy gadwedig*") means an entitlement to vote by proxy, at a parliamentary election, or parliamentary elections, in Wales, where the entitlement was granted before the relevant day on an application under paragraph 3(2), 3(6), 4(2), 4(2A) or 4(3) of Schedule 4 to the 2000 Act.

Devolved absent voting applications and devolved proxy postal voting applications not determined by the relevant day

30.—(1) A devolved absent voting application or a devolved proxy postal voting application that is made before, but not determined by, the relevant day is to be treated as not having been made.

(2) If, in accordance with paragraph (1), a person's application is treated as not having been made, the registration officer must, as soon as practicable after the relevant day, send to that person, at that person's qualifying address, information about how to make a fresh application.

(**58**) 1978 c. 30.

(**59**) Section 9 was substituted by section 8(a) of, and paragraph 3 of Schedule 1 to, the Representation of the People Act 2000 (c. 2). The section has been amended subsequently, but those amendments are not relevant here.

(**60**) Relevant amendments to section 8 were made by section 66 of, and paragraph 68(1) of Schedule 16 to, the Local Government (Wales) Act 1994 (c. 19) and section 11(4) of the Parliamentary Voting System and Constituencies Act 2011 (c. 1).

(**61**) Regulation 60A was inserted by regulation 34 of S.I. 2006/2910 and was subsequently amended by regulation 5(11) of S.I. 2023/1147 and by regulation 6(4) of S.I. 2023/1406.

(3) In this regulation "devolved proxy postal voting application" means an application, including a partially completed application, made under—

(a) article 10(4) of the 2025 Order in relation to a Senedd election, or Senedd elections, or

(b) paragraph 7(4) of Schedule 4 to the 2000 Act in relation to a local government election, or local government elections, in Wales.

Ending of certain devolved proxy postal vote entitlements

31.—(1) This regulation applies if before the relevant day a person ("P") has—

(a) a devolved proxy postal vote entitlement, and

(b) a reserved proxy postal vote entitlement.

(2) If this regulation applies, P's devolved proxy postal vote entitlement ends on the relevant day.

(3) If P's devolved proxy postal vote entitlement ends due to the operation of paragraph (2), as soon as practicable after the relevant day, the registration officer must send to P, at P's qualifying address—

(a) a notice informing P that P's devolved proxy postal vote entitlement has ended, the reason why it has ended and explaining the effect of that entitlement ending, and

(b) information about how to make a fresh application.

(4) If paragraph (2) applies, as soon as practicable after the relevant day, the registration officer must—

(a) update the following to reflect the ending of the devolved proxy postal vote entitlement due to the operation of paragraph (2)—

(i) the records, as applicable to P, kept under article 10(6) and (13) of the 2025 Order, or paragraph 7(6) and (12) of Schedule 4 to the 2000 Act(**62**), and

(ii) the proxy postal voters list kept under article 10(8) of the 2025 Order, or paragraph 7(8) of Schedule 4 to the 2000 Act(**63**), and

(b) notify the elector who appointed the proxy, by a notice sent to the elector's qualifying address, that the devolved proxy postal vote entitlement has ended.

Ending of certain devolved postal vote entitlements and proxy postal vote entitlements

32.—(1) This regulation applies where either paragraph (2) or (3) applies.

(2) Before the relevant day, a person ("P") has a devolved postal vote entitlement, that lasts for—

(a) an indefinite period, or

(b) a period that would expire after the third 31 January following the relevant day.

(3) Before the relevant day, a person ("P") has—

(**62**) Paragraph 7(6) of Schedule 4 was amended by section 3 of, and paragraph 3(5) of Schedule 3 to, the Elections Act 2022 (c. 37) and is prospectively amended by section 1(6)(c) of the Absent Voting (Elections in Scotland and Wales) Act 2025 (c. 27) from 3 November 2026.

(**63**) Paragraph 7(8) of Schedule 4 was amended by section 10 of, and paragraph 137(7) of Schedule 1 to, the Electoral Administration Act 2006 (c. 22).

(a) a devolved proxy postal vote entitlement and does not have a reserved proxy postal vote entitlement, and

(b) P's devolved proxy postal vote entitlement lasts for—

(i) an indefinite period, or

(ii) a period that would expire after the third 31 January following the relevant day.

(4) P's devolved postal vote entitlement or P's devolved proxy postal vote entitlement ends on—

(a) the transitional expiry date, or

(b) if later, the reserved expiry date if applicable.

(5) As soon as practicable after the relevant day, the registration officer must update the following to reflect any change in the period for which P's devolved postal vote entitlement or P's devolved proxy postal vote entitlement lasts due to the operation of paragraph (4)—

(a) the records, as applicable to P, kept under—

(i) article 6(4), 6(11), 7(7) or 10(6) of the 2025 Order, or

(ii) paragraph 3(4), 3(9) 4(6) or 7(6) of Schedule 4 to the 2000 Act(**64**), and

(b) the postal voters list or the proxy postal voters list, as applicable to P, kept under—

(i) article 8(1)(a) and (2) or 10(8) of the 2025 Order, or

(ii) paragraph 5(1) and (2) or 7(8) of Schedule 4 to the 2000 Act(**65**).

(6) Before the date on which P's devolved postal vote entitlement or P's devolved proxy postal vote entitlement ends due to the operation of paragraph (4), the registration officer must send to P, at P's qualifying address—

(a) a notice informing P of the date on which P's devolved postal vote entitlement or devolved proxy postal vote entitlement ends, and

(b) information about how to make a fresh application to vote by post, as elector or as proxy.

(7) Paragraph (8) applies if, due to the operation of paragraph (4)(a), P's devolved postal vote entitlement ends on the signature refresh date.

(8) Any requirement to send P a paragraph 16 notice or a regulation 60A notice by the signature refresh date does not apply, unless—

(a) P has a reserved proxy vote entitlement that continues beyond that date, and

(b) paragraph 16 of the 2025 Order and regulation 60A of the 2001 Regulations apply in relation to that entitlement or those entitlements.

(9) In this regulation—

(**64**) Paragraph 3(4) of Schedule 4 was amended by section 3 of, and paragraph 2(4) of Schedule 3 to, the Elections Act 2022 (c. 37). Paragraph 4(6) of Schedule 4 was inserted by section 14(2)(c) of the Electoral Administration Act 2006 (c. 22).

(**65**) Paragraph 5(1) of Schedule 4 was amended by section 10 of, and paragraph 137(5) of Schedule 1 to, the Electoral Administration Act 2006 (c. 22) ("EAA 2006"). Paragraph 5(2) of Schedule 4 was amended by section 10 of, and paragraph 137(6) of Schedule 1 to, the EAA 2006.

"reserved expiry date" ("*dyddiad dod i ben cadwedig*") means the date on which P's reserved postal vote entitlement, if they have one, ends, in accordance with paragraph 3(1A) of Schedule 4(**66**) to the 2000 Act;

"signature refresh date" ("*dyddiad adnewyddu llofnod*") means the 31 January by which the registration officer would be required to send P a paragraph 16 notice or a regulation 60A notice, assuming there has been no change in P's entitlement or entitlements to vote by post after the relevant day, and disregarding paragraph (8) of this regulation and the amendments made by regulations 7(5) and 8(4) of these Regulations;

"transitional expiry date" ("*dyddiad dod i ben trosiannol*") means—

(a) the third 31 January following the relevant day, or

(b) if earlier, the signature refresh date for the devolved postal vote entitlement.

Alignment of certain signature refresh dates

33.—(1) This regulation applies if, before the relevant day—

(a) a person ("P") has—

(i) a devolved proxy vote entitlement, and

(ii) a reserved proxy vote entitlement, and

(b) the signature refresh dates for the entitlements are different.

(2) From the relevant day, the signature refresh date for P's devolved proxy vote entitlement and the signature refresh date for P's reserved proxy vote entitlement are aligned.

(3) The aligned signature refresh date is the signature refresh date for P's reserved proxy vote entitlement.

(4) As soon as practicable after the relevant day, the registration officer must apply the signature provided by P in respect of P's reserved proxy vote entitlement to all records, as applicable to P, kept under—

(a) article 6(11) or 7(7) of, and paragraph 4 of Schedule 1 to the 2025 Order, or

(b) paragraph 3(9) or 4(6) of Schedule 4 to the 2000 Act(**67**) and regulation 61B(**68**) of the 2001 Regulations.

(5) If a replacement signature is applied under paragraph (4), that replacement signature is deemed to be a signature provided under article 11(2) of the 2025 Order or paragraph 7A(1) of Schedule 4 to the 2000 Act(**69**), and article 11(3) of the 2025 Order or paragraph 7A(2) of Schedule 4 to the 2000 Act(**70**) will apply to such a signature.

(6) Any requirement to send P a paragraph 16 notice or a regulation 60A notice will apply to the signature refresh date as amended due to the operation of this regulation.

(7) When a paragraph 16 notice or a regulation 60A notice is issued, the relevant notice must inform P of the amended signature refresh date and the reason why it has changed.

(8) In this regulation "signature refresh date" means the 31 January by which the registration officer would, or may be, required to send P a paragraph 16 notice or a

(**66**) Paragraph 3(1A) was inserted by section 3 of, and paragraph 2(3) of Schedule 3 to, the Elections Act 2022 (c. 37) and is prospectively amended by section 1(5)(b) of the Absent Voting (Elections in Scotland and Wales) Act 2025 (c. 27) from 3 November 2026.
(**67**) Paragraph 3(9) was inserted by section 14(1)(c) of the Electoral Administration Act 2006 (c. 22).
(**68**) Regulation 61B was inserted by S.I. 2006/2910 and was subsequently amended by S.I. 2015/1971.
(**69**) Paragraph 7A(1) of Schedule 4 was inserted by section 14(4) of the Electoral Administration Act 2006 (c. 22).
(**70**) Paragraph 7A(2) of Schedule 4 was inserted by section 14(4) of the Electoral Administration Act 2006 (c. 22).

regulation 60A notice, assuming there has been no change in P's entitlement or entitlements to vote by proxy after the relevant day.

Postal vote address discrepancies and termination of certain devolved postal vote entitlements

34.—(1) This regulation applies if before the relevant day—

(a) a person ("P") has—

(i) a devolved postal vote entitlement, and

(ii) a reserved postal vote entitlement, and

(b) there is a discrepancy in the postal vote addresses held on the records kept by the registration officer for those entitlements.

(2) If this regulation applies, P's devolved postal vote entitlement ends on the relevant day.

(3) Prior to the relevant day, the registration officer must, where reasonably practicable, send to P, at P's qualifying address, a notice informing P that—

(a) the postal vote address kept in the registration officer's record in respect of P's devolved postal vote entitlement differs from the postal vote address kept in the registration officer's record in respect of P's reserved postal vote entitlement ("the address discrepancy"),

(b) the postal vote address details for P's devolved postal vote entitlement and P's reserved postal vote entitlement must be the same if both entitlements are to be in place from the relevant day, and

(c) if a fresh application to vote by post is not made before and determined by the relevant day, and the address discrepancy remains, P's devolved postal vote entitlement will end on the relevant day.

(4) If P's devolved postal vote entitlement ends due to the operation of paragraph (2), as soon as practicable after the relevant day, the registration officer must send to P, at P's qualifying address—

(a) a notice informing P that P's devolved postal vote entitlement has ended, the reason why it has ended and explaining the effect of that entitlement ending, and

(b) information about how to make a fresh application to vote by post.

(5) If paragraph (2) applies, as soon as practicable after the relevant day, the registration officer must update the following to reflect the ending of P's devolved postal vote entitlement due to the operation of paragraph (2)—

(a) the records, as applicable to P, kept under—

(i) article 6(4), 6(11) or 7(7) of the 2025 Order, or

(ii) paragraph 3(4), 3(9) or 4(6) of Schedule 4 to the 2000 Act, and

(b) the postal voters list kept under—

(i) article 8(1)(a) and (2) of the 2025 Order, or

(ii) paragraph 5(1) and (2) of Schedule 4 to the 2000 Act.

(6) In this regulation "postal vote address" means for—

(a) a Senedd election, or Senedd elections, where an application has been made under article 6 or 7 of the 2025 Order, the address provided in accordance with paragraph 1(1)(d) of Schedule 1 to the 2025 Order, or

(b) a local government election, or local government elections, in Wales, or a parliamentary election, or parliamentary elections, in Wales, where an application has been made under paragraph 3 or 4 of Schedule 4 to the 2000 Act, the address provided in accordance with regulation 51(2)(d) of the 2001 Regulations(**71**);

Postal vote signature discrepancies

35.—(1) This regulation applies if before the relevant day—

(a) a person ("P") has—

(i) a devolved postal vote entitlement, and

(ii) a reserved postal vote entitlement, and

(b) the signature kept in the registration officer's record in respect of P's devolved postal vote entitlement differs from the signature kept in the registration officer's record in respect of P's reserved postal vote entitlement.

(2) The registration officer must apply the signature kept in the registration officer's record in respect of P's reserved postal vote entitlement as the sole signature kept in the registration officer's record as the signature for both P's devolved postal vote entitlement and P's reserved postal vote entitlement with effect from the relevant day.

(3) If paragraph (2) applies, as soon as practicable after the relevant day, the registration officer must apply the signature referred to in paragraph (2) to all records, as applicable to P, kept under—

(a) article 6(11) or 7(7) of, and paragraph 4 of Schedule 1 to, the 2025 Order, or

(b) paragraph 3(9) or 4(6) of Schedule 4 to the 2000 Act and regulation 61B of the 2001 Regulations.

(4) The signature applied under paragraph (3) is deemed to be a signature provided under article 11(2) of the 2025 Order or paragraph 7A(1) of Schedule 4 to the 2000 Act, and article 11(3) of the 2025 Order or paragraph 7A(2) of Schedule 4 to the 2000 Act applies to that signature.

Signature waiver discrepancies and termination of certain devolved absent vote entitlements

36.—(1) This regulation applies if before the relevant day—

(a) a person ("P") has—

(i) a devolved absent vote entitlement, and

(ii) a reserved absent vote entitlement, and

(b) a signature waiver has been granted in respect of one of P's entitlements only and the requirement to provide a signature in respect of P's other entitlement remains.

(2) If this regulation applies, P's devolved absent vote entitlement ends on the relevant day.

(3) Prior to the relevant day, the registration officer must, where reasonably practicable, send to P, at P's qualifying address, a notice informing P that—

(a) there is a discrepancy between P's devolved absent vote entitlement and P's reserved absent vote entitlement as a signature waiver is only in place for one

(**71**) Regulation 51(2)(d) was amended by regulation 32(2) of S.I. 2006/2910.

of those entitlements, and the requirement to provide a signature in respect of P's other entitlement remains,

(b) P must either have a signature waiver in place for both of P's entitlements or not have a signature waiver in place for either of P's entitlements if P is to have both a reserved absent vote entitlement and a devolved absent vote entitlement in place from the relevant day, and

(c) if a fresh application to vote by post or proxy is not made before and determined by the relevant day, and the discrepancy remains, P's devolved absent vote entitlement will end on the relevant day.

(4) If P's devolved absent vote entitlement ends due to the operation of paragraph (2), as soon as practicable after the relevant day, the registration officer must send to P, at P's qualifying address—

(a) a notice informing P that P's devolved absent vote entitlement has ended, the reason why it has ended and explaining the effect of that entitlement ending, and

(b) information about how to make a fresh devolved absent voting application.

(5) If paragraph (2) applies, as soon as practicable after the relevant day, the registration officer must update the following to reflect the ending of the devolved absent vote entitlement due to the operation of paragraph (2)—

(a) the records, as applicable to P, kept under—

(i) article 6(4), 6(11) or 7(7) of, and paragraph 4 of Schedule 1 to, the 2025 Order, or

(ii) paragraph 3(4), 3(9) or 4(6) of Schedule 4 to the 2000 Act and regulation 61B of the 2001 Regulations, and

(b) the postal voters list, the list of proxies or the proxy postal voters list, as applicable to P, kept under—

(i) article 8(1) to (3) or 10(8) of the 2025 Order, or

(ii) paragraph 5(1) to (3) or 7(8) of Schedule 4 to the 2000 Act.

(6) In this regulation "signature waiver" means where a registration officer has agreed an application by a person to dispense with any of the requirements under article 6, 7, 9 or 10 of the 2025 Order or paragraph 3, 4 or 7 of Schedule 4 to the 2000 Act to provide a signature.

Proxy name and address discrepancies and termination of certain devolved proxy vote entitlements

37.—(1) This regulation applies if before the relevant day—

(a) a person ("P") has—

(i) a devolved proxy appointment, and

(ii) a reserved proxy appointment, and

(b) in the records kept by the registration officer for the relevant appointments, there is a discrepancy in—

(i) the proxy names recorded, or

(ii) the proxy addresses held on the records, or

(iii) both.

(2) If this regulation applies, the devolved proxy vote entitlement ends on the relevant day.

(3) Prior to the relevant day, the registration officer must, where reasonably practicable, send to P's qualifying address, a notice informing P that—

(a) the proxy names or proxy addresses or both kept in the registration officer's record in respect of P's devolved proxy appointment differ from the proxy names or proxy addresses or both kept in the registration officer's record in respect of P's reserved proxy appointment ("the proxy details discrepancy"),

(b) the proxy details for P's devolved proxy appointment and P's reserved proxy appointment must be the same if both appointments are to be in place from the relevant day, and

(c) if a fresh application to vote by proxy is not made before and determined by the relevant day, and the proxy details discrepancy remains, P's devolved proxy vote entitlement will end on the relevant day.

(4) If P's devolved proxy vote entitlement ends due to the operation of paragraph (2), as soon as practicable after the relevant day, the registration officer must send to P, at P's qualifying address—

(a) a notice informing P that P's devolved proxy vote entitlement has ended, the reason it has ended and explaining the effect of that entitlement ending, and

(b) information about how to make a fresh application to vote by proxy.

(5) If paragraph (2) applies, as soon as practicable after the relevant day, the registration officer must update the following to reflect the ending of P's devolved proxy vote entitlement due to the operation of paragraph (2)—

(a) the records, as applicable to P, kept under—

(i) article 6(4), 6(11) or 7(7) of the 2025 Order, or

(ii) paragraph 3(4), 3(9) or 4(6) of Schedule 4 to the 2000 Act, and

(b) the list of proxies kept under—

(i) article 8(1)(b) and (3) of the 2025 Order, or

(ii) paragraph 5(1) and (3) of Schedule 4 to the 2000 Act.

(6) In this regulation—

"devolved proxy appointment" ("*penodiad dirprwy datganoledig*") means the appointment of a person as a proxy to vote for another person, at—

(a) a Senedd election, or Senedd elections, where the appointment was made before the relevant day on an application under article 9(6) or (7) of the 2025 Order, or

(b) a local government election, or local government elections, in Wales, where the appointment was made before the relevant day on an application under paragraph 6(7) or (8) of Schedule 4 to the 2000 Act;

"reserved proxy appointment" ("*penodiad dirprwy cadwedig*") means the appointment of a person as a proxy to vote for another person, at a parliamentary election, or parliamentary elections, in Wales, where the appointment was made before the relevant day on an application under paragraph 6(7) or (8) of Schedule 4 to the 2000 Act.

Postal vote and proxy vote discrepancies and termination of certain devolved postal vote entitlements

38.—(1) This regulation applies if before the relevant day a person ("P") has—

(a) a devolved postal vote entitlement, and

(b) a reserved proxy vote entitlement.

(2) If this regulation applies, P's devolved postal vote entitlement ends on the relevant day.

(3) Prior to the relevant day, the registration officer must, where reasonably practicable, send to P, at P's qualifying address, a notice informing P that—

(a) P has a devolved postal vote entitlement and a reserved proxy vote entitlement,

(b) P's devolved absent vote entitlement must be the same as P's reserved absent vote entitlement if both entitlements are to be in place from the relevant day, and

(c) if a fresh application to vote by post or proxy is not made before and determined by the relevant day, and the discrepancy remains, P's devolved postal vote entitlement will end on the relevant day.

(4) If this regulation applies, P's devolved postal vote entitlement ends on the relevant day.

(5) If P's devolved postal vote entitlement ends due to the operation of paragraph (2), as soon as practicable after the relevant day, the registration officer must send to P, at P's qualifying address—

(a) a notice informing P that P's devolved postal vote entitlement has ended, the reason it has ended and explaining the effect of that entitlement ending, and

(b) information about how to make a fresh application.

(6) If paragraph (2) applies, as soon as practicable after the relevant day, the registration officer must update the following to reflect the ending of the devolved postal vote entitlement due to the operation of paragraph (2)—

(a) the records, as applicable to P, kept under—

(i) article 6(4), 6(11) or 7(7) of the 2025 Order, or

(ii) paragraph 3(4), 3(9) or 4(6) of Schedule 4 to the 2000 Act, and

(b) the postal voters list kept under—

(i) article 8(1)(a) and (2) of the 2025 Order, or

(ii) paragraph 5(1) and (2) of Schedule 4 to the 2000 Act.

Postal vote and proxy vote entitlement discrepancies and termination of certain devolved proxy vote entitlements

39.—(1) This regulation applies if before the relevant day a person ("P") has—

(a) a devolved proxy vote entitlement, and

(b) a reserved postal vote entitlement.

(2) If this regulation applies, P's devolved proxy vote entitlement ends on the relevant day.

(3) Prior to the relevant day, the registration officer must, where reasonably practicable, send to P, at P's qualifying address, a notice informing P that —

(a) P has a devolved proxy vote entitlement and a reserved proxy vote entitlement,

(b) P's devolved absent vote entitlement must be the same as P's reserved absent vote entitlement if both entitlements are to be in place from the relevant day, and

(c) if a fresh application to vote by post or proxy is not made before and determined by the relevant day and the discrepancy remains, P's devolved proxy vote entitlement will end on the relevant day.

(4) If P's devolved proxy vote entitlement ends due to the operation of paragraph (2), as soon as practicable after the relevant day, the registration officer must send to P, at P's qualifying address—

(a) a notice informing P that P's devolved proxy vote entitlement has ended, the reason why it has ended and explaining the effect of that entitlement ending, and

(b) information about how to make a fresh application.

(5) If paragraph (2) applies, as soon as practicable after the relevant day, the registration officer must update the following to reflect the ending of the devolved proxy vote entitlement due to the operation of paragraph (2)—

(a) the records, as applicable to P, kept under—

(i) article 6(4), 6(11) or 7(7) of the 2025 Order, or

(ii) paragraph 3(4), 3(9) or 4(6) of Schedule 4 to the 2000 Act, and

(b) the list of proxies kept under—

(i) article 8(1)(b) and (3) of the 2025 Order, or

(ii) paragraph 5(1) and (3) of Schedule 4 to the 2000 Act.

PART 8

MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS

Senedd Elections

40. The 2025 Order is amended in accordance with regulation 41 to 44.

Amendment of Part 3 (the election campaign)

41.—(1) In article 45 (individual and party list candidates: expenses which may be paid otherwise than by an election agent)—

(a) at the beginning of paragraph (1), insert "During the regulated period,";

(b) at the beginning of paragraph (2), insert "During the regulated period,";

(c) in paragraph (3), for "paragraph (1)" substitute "paragraph (2)".

(2) In article 49 (individual candidates: the regulated period)—

(a) in the heading of the article, omit "Individual candidates:";

(b) in paragraph (1), after "individual candidate," insert "or, for the purposes of article 45(1), a party list candidate,".

(3) In article 51(2) (time for sending in and paying claims), for the words from "the deadline for" to the end substitute "the day on which the result or results of the election are declared."

Amendment of Schedule 2 (issue and receipt of postal ballot papers)

42. In paragraph 14(3) of Schedule 2 (spoilt postal ballot paper), at the end insert ", except where those documents are received after 5.00 p.m. on the day of the poll."

Amendment of Schedule 5 (Senedd election rules)

43.—(1) Schedule 5 (Senedd election rules) is amended as follows.

(2) In rule 15 (decisions as to the validity of party nomination papers)—

(a) in paragraph (1)(b), for "each candidate" substitute "a candidate";

(b) in paragraph (1)(c), for "each candidate" substitute "a candidate";

(c) in paragraph (2), for "and each candidate on its list" substitute ", and each candidate on its list in respect of which a home address form and consent to nomination form has been received,".

(3) In rule 37(7)(b) (equipment of polling station), for "rule 48" substitute "rule 46".

(4) In rule 44 (questions to be put to voters), in Table 1 in paragraph 4—

(a) in question 2(c) in column (2) (questions to be asked in English), after "sister" insert ", child";

(b) in question 2(c) in column (3) (questions to be asked in Welsh), after "chwaer," insert "plentyn,".

Amendment of Schedule 6 (control of donations to candidates)

44. In paragraph 6 of Schedule 6 (prohibition on accepting donations from impermissible donors)—

(a) in sub-paragraph (5), for "£50" substitute "£500";

(b) in sub-paragraph (7)(b), for "£50" substitute "£500".

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