

STATES OF JERSEY



DRAFT PUBLIC ELECTIONS (AMENDMENT OF LAW) (JERSEY) REGULATIONS 201-

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REPORT

Electoral registers are prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Public Elections (Jersey) Law 2002.

The timetable in the law has been based on autumn public elections for States members. So before 1st June an Annual Statement is sent to every unit of dwelling accommodation to gather information on persons entitled to have their names included on the Electoral Register and the registers are updated.

The elections for States members moves to May from 2018. In anticipation of this the States has recently amended the date for sending out the notice of registered electors (from 1-15 August to 1-15 March – see Draft Public Elections (Amendment No. 8) (Jersey) Law 201- ([P.125/2016](#))).

These draft Regulations, if approved, will amend the date for sending and returning the Annual Statements in 2017, and subsequent years, so that the Electoral Registers are updated prior to the spring elections rather than immediately after those elections.

This will avoid the Annual Statements being sent immediately after the 2018 general election. It also captures elector details in autumn, rather than spring, 2017 thus updating the electoral registers closer to the May 2018 general election.

Action	Current timetable	Proposed timetable
Annual statement to be sent not later than	1 June 2017	1 November 2017
Annual statement to be returned by	1 July 2017	1 December 2017
Notice of registered electors to be sent between	1-15 March 2018 (as amended by P.125/2016)	
Next States elections	May 2018	

Financial and manpower implications

There are no financial or manpower implications for the parishes or the States arising from the adoption of these draft Regulations.

Explanatory Note

These Regulations change the date on which the annual statement detailing the names of the persons included as residing in each dwelling in a parish is sent out on behalf of the electoral administrator. The statement (so far as it relates to a particular dwelling) is currently sent to each such dwelling on 1st June and this date is to change to 1st November. The date by which each resident of the dwelling is required to check the statement, make any corrections needed, sign and return it to the electoral administrator is also changed, in this case from 1st July to 1st December.



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Made [date to be inserted]
Coming into force [date to be inserted]

THE STATES, in pursuance of Article 13 of the Public Elections (Jersey) Law 2002¹, have made the following Regulations –

1 Amendment of dates in connection with electoral register

In Article 7 of the Public Elections (Jersey) Law 2002² –

- (a) in paragraph (2) for the word “June” there is substituted the word “November”;
- (b) in paragraph (3)(c) for the word “July” there is substituted the word “December”.

2 Citation and commencement

These Regulations may be cited as the Public Elections (Amendment of Law) (Jersey) Regulations 201- and shall come into force 7 days after they are made.

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- ¹ *chapter 16.600*
² *chapter 16.600*