

**Presidential Elections (Community Declaration and Community Certificate)
Regulations 2017**

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THE SCHEDULE

No. S 264

PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS ACT (CHAPTER 240A)

PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS (COMMUNITY DECLARATION AND COMMUNITY CERTIFICATE) REGULATIONS 2017

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 81 of the Presidential Elections Act, the Prime Minister makes the following Regulations:

PART 1

PRELIMINARY

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations are the Presidential Elections (Community Declaration and Community Certificate) Regulations 2017 and come into operation on 1 June 2017.

Definitions

2.—(1) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires —

“applicant” means a declarant who is also applying for a community certificate;

“Committee” means the Community Committee;

“declarant” means a person who submits a community declaration;

“Form” means a Form in the Schedule;

“Secretary” means the Secretary to the Committee appointed under regulation 15.

(2) Any notice or notification required to be given under these Regulations must be given in writing.

PART 2

COMMUNITY DECLARATION AND APPLICATION FOR COMMUNITY CERTIFICATE

Form of community declaration

3. A community declaration must be made in Form 1.

Supply of form

4. The Secretary may supply Form 1 to any person at any time during the period for submitting a community declaration under section 8F(3) of the Act.

Fact-finding

5.—(1) A Sub-Committee for a community may, for the purposes of deciding whether a declarant belongs to the community —

- (a) require the declarant to provide further information;
- (b) interview the declarant;
- (c) inform itself on any matter; and
- (d) consult any person,

and may take into account any refusal by the declarant to provide further information or to be interviewed.

(2) The Committee may, for the purposes of deciding whether to invite a declarant to submit another community declaration under section 8H(2)(b) or (4)(d)(ii) of the Act —

- (a) require the declarant to provide further information;
- (b) interview the declarant;

- (c) inform itself on any matter; and
- (d) consult any person,

and may take into account any refusal by the declarant to provide further information or to be interviewed.

Declarant to be notified of decision on acceptance of declaration

6.—(1) The Committee must notify a declarant of its decision whether to accept the declarant's community declaration as soon as practicable.

(2) If a community declaration does not include an application for a community certificate, notice that the declaration is accepted must be given in Form 2.

Applicant to be notified of decision on application

7.—(1) If a community declaration includes an application for a community certificate, the Committee must notify the applicant of its decision on the application as soon as practicable, and in any case no later than the day before nomination day.

(2) Notice of the Committee's decision to reject an application for a community certificate must be given in Form 3.

Form of community certificate

8. A community certificate must be issued in Form 4.

Collection of community certificate

9. A successful applicant must collect the community certificate issued to the applicant no later than the day before nomination day.

Correspondence

10. For the purposes of the Act, any correspondence with the Committee or its Sub-Committees must be addressed to the Chairman of the Committee and must be sent to the Secretary.

PART 3

PROCEDURE OF COMMITTEE AND SUB-COMMITTEES