

Supply of the Electoral Register

This document sets out who is entitled to receive what copies of the full electoral register under the RPR2001¹ and, where possible, where these copies should be provided to.

The document does not consider the purposes for which the register once supplied can be used.

It does not cover the inspection of the register, or the sale of the edited/open register or the marked register. It also does not cover those who may be entitled to be supplied with the register under other enactments (for example non electoral legislation).

Before supplying the register, you need to be satisfied that the individual or organisation making the request is entitled to receive it.

Where a data copy is to be supplied, you should supply in the format requested wherever possible.

Detailed information on access and supply of the full electoral register can be found in Chapter 12 of [Part 4: Maintaining the register throughout the year](#) of our guidance for Electoral Registration Officers (EROs).

We have also produced cover sheets for the [supply on request](#) and [sale](#) of the register, which set out how it may be used, the penalty for misuse, and that the data should be securely destroyed once the purpose for which it has been supplied has finished.

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¹ Under the Representation of the People Regulations 2001 (as amended)



In Scotland, beyond the limited circumstances set out in Chapter 12 of [Part 4: Maintaining the register throughout the year](#), no information on those aged under 16 must be included on **any** version of the register published or otherwise made available.

Table 1: Organisations and individuals entitled to receive a full copy of the register of electors on publication

Organisation / individual	Entitlement	Regulation(s)	Method of supply and contact
British Library	See Table 4	(E&W) 97 (Scotland) 96	See Table 4
National Library of Wales	See Table 4	(E&W) 97A	See Table 4
National Library of Scotland	See Table 4	(E&W) 97B (Scotland) 96	See Table 4
Returning Officer for a local government election² Includes elections for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish and Community councillors (England & Wales) • Members of the London Assembly • Mayor of London • Non-metropolitan county councils 	Any revised register and any notice of alteration	(E&W) 98 (Scotland) 97	<p>When – Free of charge on publication</p> <p>Format – A data copy (unless a written request is made for a printed copy prior to publication)</p> <p>Contact – Liaise with Returning Officer</p>
UK Statistics Authority (Office for National Statistics)	Any revised register, any notice of alteration, and the list of overseas electors	(E&W) 99 (Scotland) 98	<p>When – Free of charge on publication</p> <p>Format – A data copy (unless a written request is made for a printed copy prior to publication); in excel or CSV formats.</p> <p>Data copy to: siu.electoral.registers@ons.gsi.gov.uk</p> <p>Printed copy (only if requested) to: c/o Jacqueline Pinchin, Office for National Statistics, Room 2100, Segensworth Road, Titchfield, Fareham, Hants, PO15 5RR</p>

² The electoral area must fall partly or wholly within the registration area

Organisation / individual	Entitlement	Regulation(s)	Method of supply and contact
National Records of Scotland (Electoral Registration Officers in Scotland)	Any revised register, any notice of alteration, and the list of overseas electors	(Scotland) 98	<p>When – Free of charge on publication Format – A data copy (unless a written request is made for a printed copy prior to publication)</p> <p>Data copy to: David.Rowley@nrscotland.gov.uk Printed copy (if requested) to: National Records of Scotland, Ladywell House, Ladywell Road, Edinburgh EH12 7TF</p>
The Electoral Commission	Any revised register, any notice of alteration, and the list of overseas electors	(E&W) 100 (Scotland) 99	<p>When – Free of charge on publication Format – A data copy (unless a written request is made for a printed copy prior to publication); CSV format only (EML, Word or PDF are not acceptable)</p> <p>Data copy to: send via Objective Connect. For further information on using Objective Connect, please contact us on 0333 103 1928 or pef@electoralcommission.org.uk.</p> <p>If you have Egress Switch we are able to accept encrypted submissions using that portal sent to ElectoralRegistersMail@electoralcommission.org.uk.</p> <p>If you are unable to use either of the above methods, please contact us on 0333 103 1928 so that we can discuss the best way of getting your register.</p> <p>Printed copy (if requested) to: Electoral Registers, The Electoral Commission, Party Finance & Regulation, 3 Bunhill Row, London EC1Y 8YZ</p>

Organisation / individual	Entitlement	Regulation(s)	Method of supply and contact
Parliamentary Boundary Commission for England (Electoral Registration Officers in England)	Any revised register, any notice of alteration, and the list of overseas electors	(E&W) 101 (Scotland) 100	<p>When – Free of charge on publication. Instructions will be sent out in advance of supply each year.</p> <p>Format – A data copy in Excel compatible format (xlsx, xls, csv) by email, or via a Secure File Transfer Protocol (SFTP) such as Egress Switch or on a CD to the address below (please include a data copy of a table showing the number of parliamentary electors in each Polling District. Details of the relevant table can be obtained from your EMS supplier). EML, Word or PDF are not acceptable.</p> <p>Data copy to: Registers@boundarycommissionengland.gov.uk</p> <p>Printed copy (only if requested) to: Boundary Commission for England, c/o Mr R Winter, 1st Floor, 35 Great Smith Street, London SW1P 3BQ</p> <p>Note: The Parliamentary Boundary Commission for England do not wish to receive paper copies of the register or monthly updates.</p>
Local Government Boundary Commission for England (Electoral Registration Officers in England)	Any revised register, any notice of alteration, and the list of overseas electors	(E&W) 101	<p>When – Free of charge on publication. Instructions will be sent out in advance of supply each year.</p>

Organisation / individual	Entitlement	Regulation(s)	Method of supply and contact
Parliamentary Boundary Commission for Scotland (Electoral Registration Officers in Scotland)	Any revised register, any notice of alteration, and the list of overseas electors	(E&W) 101 (Scotland) 100	When – Free of charge on publication Format – A data copy (unless a written request is made for a printed copy prior to publication) Data copy to: as advised by the Parliamentary Boundary Commission for Scotland Printed copy (if requested) to: Boundary Commission for Scotland, Thistle House, 91 Haymarket Terrace, Edinburgh, EH12 5HD
Boundary Commission for Wales (Electoral Registration Officers in Wales)	Any revised register, any notice of alteration, and the list of overseas electors	(E&W) 101 (Scotland) 100	When – Free of charge on publication. Note: the Boundary Commission for Wales have asked to be supplied at their request only Format – A data copy (unless a written request is made for a printed copy prior to publication) by email in password protected CSV format, with the password in a separate email Data copy to: enquiries@boundaries.wales Printed copy (if requested) to: Boundary Commission for Wales, Ground Floor, Hastings House, Fitzalan Court, Cardiff, CF24 0BL
Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales (as appropriate to the Electoral Registration Officer's area)	Any revised register, any notice of alteration, and the list of overseas electors	(E&W) 101 (Scotland) 100	When – Free of charge on publication. However, the Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales have asked to be supplied at their request only Format – A data copy (unless a written request is made for a printed copy prior to publication) by email in password protected CSV format, with the password in a separate email Data copy to: enquiries@boundaries.wales Printed copy (if requested) to: Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales, Ground Floor, Hastings House, Fitzalan Court, Cardiff, CF24 0BL

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<p>Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland (as appropriate to the Electoral Registration Officer's area)</p>	<p>Any revised register, any notice of alteration, and the list of overseas electors</p>	<p>(E&W) 101 (Scotland) 100</p>	<p>When – Free of charge on publication</p> <p>Format – A data copy (unless a written request is made for a printed copy prior to publication)</p> <p>Data copy to: as advised by the Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland</p> <p>Printed copy (if requested) to: Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland, Thistle House, 91 Haymarket Terrace, Edinburgh, EH12 5HD</p>
<p>Jury Central Summoning Bureau (Electoral Registration Officers in England & Wales only)</p>	<p>The revised register indicating those persons who are aged 76 or over and are therefore not eligible for jury service</p>	<p>Section 3, Juries Act 1974</p>	<p>When – Free of charge on publication. Instructions will be sent out in advance of supply each year.</p> <p>Note: the version of the register which includes markers showing those aged 76 or over must not be used for any purpose other than summoning jurors.</p>

Table 2: Organisations and individuals entitled to receive a full copy of the register of electors on request

Organisation / individual	Entitlement	Regulation(s)	Method of supply and contact
<p>Elected representatives (including MPs, MEPs, members of the National Assembly for Wales, local councillors, the Mayor of London, London members of the London Assembly, constituency members of the London Assembly, elected mayors and combined authority mayors) within the registration area</p>	<p>The relevant part of the register for the area that they represent, and any notice of alteration and list of overseas electors relevant to the area</p>	<p>(E&W) 103 (Scotland) 102</p>	<p>When – Free supply on written request</p> <p>Format – A data copy (unless a request for a printed copy is made prior to supply)</p> <p>Contact – As advised by the elected representative</p>
<p>Members of the Scottish Parliament (MSPs) within the registration area</p>	<p>A revised version of the register and any notice of alteration (for as much as relates to their constituency or, for regional members, for the whole of the registration area)</p>	<p>Paragraph 3, Schedule 1, Scottish Parliament Order</p>	<p>When – Free of charge on written request</p> <p>Format – A data copy (unless a request for a printed copy is made prior to supply)</p> <p>Contact – As advised by the MSP</p>
<p>Police and Crime Commissioner (where the registration area is located in the police area)</p>	<p>The relevant part of the register and any notice of alteration for the police area that they represent</p>	<p>Paragraph 3, Schedule 1, PCC Elections Order 2012</p>	<p>When – Free supply on written request</p> <p>Format – A data copy (unless a request for a printed copy is made prior to supply)</p> <p>Contact – As advised by the elected representative</p>

Organisation / individual	Entitlement	Regulation(s)	Method of supply and contact
Holders of relevant elective offices³	Purely for the purpose of checking donations: The revised register, any notice of alteration, and the list of overseas electors	(E&W) 104 (Scotland) 103 PPERA - Schedule 7, Paragraph 1(8)	When – Free supply on written request Format – A data copy (unless a request for a printed copy is made prior to supply) Contact – As advised by the holders of a relevant elective office
Candidates⁴ for the following elections: - UK Parliament - Local government - Greater London Authority	Purely for the purpose of checking donations: The revised register, any notice of alteration, and the list of overseas electors	(E&W) 104 (Scotland) 103 PPERA - Schedule 7, Paragraph 1(8)	When – Free supply on written request Format – A data copy (unless a request for a printed copy is made prior to supply) Contact – As advised by the candidate
Candidates⁴ for the following elections: - UK Parliament - Local government - Mayoral - European Parliamentary and National Assembly for Wales (individual candidates only)	The part of the register where the candidate is standing, any relevant notice of alteration and list of overseas electors	(E&W) 108 (Scotland) 107	When – Free supply on written request Format – A data copy (unless a request for a printed copy is made prior to publication) Contact – As advised by the candidate

³ Relevant elective office means a member of: the House of Commons; the European Parliament elected in the UK; the Scottish Parliament; the National Assembly for Wales; the Northern Ireland Assembly; and a police and crime commissioner; and a member of any local authority in any part of the UK (including the Common Council of the City of London but excluding a parish or community council), or the Greater London Assembly, or the Mayor of London or an elected mayor within the meaning of Part II of the Local Government Act 2000, or mayor for a combined authority.

⁴ Entitlement for candidates only applies when they **officially** become a candidate as per the relevant election rules. Further guidance is available in our guidance for candidates and agents.

Organisation / individual	Entitlement	Regulation(s)	Method of supply and contact
Constituency candidates⁴, individual regional candidates⁴ and the election agent of a registered political party which submits a list of candidates for election for the Scottish Parliament	A revised version of the register and any notice of alteration (for as much as relates to the area in which the candidate is standing)	Paragraph 4, Schedule 1, Scottish Parliament Order	<p>When – Free of charge on written request</p> <p>Format – one data copy (unless a request for a printed copy is made prior to supply)</p> <p>Contact – As advised by the candidate or election agent of the registered political party</p>
Individual candidates⁴ at Police and Crime Commissioner elections (where the registration area is located in the police area)	The relevant part of the register for the police area where the candidate is standing, and any notice of alteration	Paragraph 5, Schedule 1, PCC Elections ⁵ Order 2012	<p>When – Free supply on written request</p> <p>Format – A data copy (unless a request for a printed copy is made prior to supply)</p> <p>Contact – As advised by the candidate</p>
Election agent for a registered party which submits a list of candidates at a European Parliamentary election, an election of the London members of the London Assembly, or an election in an electoral region for the National Assembly for Wales	The relevant part of the register where the candidate is standing, any relevant notice of alteration and list of overseas electors	(E&W) 108 (Scotland) 107	<p>When – Free supply on written request</p> <p>Format – A data copy (unless a request for a printed copy is made prior to publication)</p> <p>Contact – As advised by the candidate or election agent</p>

⁵ Paragraph 4 also permits supply on request for the purpose of complying with the controls on donations

Organisation / individual	Entitlement	Regulation(s)	Method of supply and contact
Local constituency parties	The whole or any part of the constituency which falls within the registration area, any notice of alteration and the list of overseas electors	(E&W) 105 (Scotland) 104	<p>When – Free supply on written request⁶</p> <p>Format – A data copy (unless a request for a printed copy is made prior to publication)</p> <p>Contact – As advised by the person nominated to act by the party's registered nominating officer</p>
<p>Registered political parties</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a registered political party⁷ other than a minor party within the meaning of Section 160(1) of PPERA • a recognised third party⁷ within the meaning of Section 85(5) of PPERA, other than a registered political party • a permitted participant⁷ within the meaning of Section 105(1) of PPERA, other than a registered political party 	The whole or any part of the constituency which falls within the registration area, any notice of alteration and the list of overseas electors	(E&W) 106 (Scotland) 105	<p>When – Free supply on written request</p> <p>Format – A data copy (unless a request for a printed copy is made prior to publication)</p> <p>Contact – As advised by the party or permitted participant</p>
The council which appointed the Electoral Registration Officer	The revised register, any notice of alteration, and the list of overseas electors (relating to the area of the council)	(E&W) 107 (Scotland) 106	<p>When – Free supply on written request</p> <p>Format – A data copy (unless a request for a printed copy is made prior to publication)</p> <p>Contact – As advised by the council</p>

⁶ By a person nominated to act for a particular constituency by the registered nominating officer of a registered political party

⁷ The Commission keeps a register of all such entities described [here](#).

Organisation / individual	Entitlement	Regulation(s)	Method of supply and contact
<p>Local authority whose area contains all or part of the EROs responsibility e.g. county borough councils (excludes parish and community councils)</p>	<p>The revised register, any notice of alteration, and the list of overseas electors (relating to the area of the local authority)</p>	<p>(E&W) 107</p>	<p>When – Free supply on written request</p> <p>Format – A data copy (unless a request for a printed copy is made prior to publication)</p> <p>Contact – As advised by the local authority</p>
<p>Parish and community councils</p>	<p>The revised register, any notice of alteration, and the list of overseas electors (relating to the area of the parish or community council)</p>	<p>(E&W) 107 (Scotland) 106</p>	<p>When – Free supply on written request</p> <p>Format – A data copy (unless a request for a printed copy is made prior to publication)</p> <p>Contact – As advised by the Parish or Community council</p>
<p>Other eligible organisations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any police force in Great Britain • Police Service of Northern Ireland and the Police Service of Northern Ireland (Reserve) • National Crime Agency (previously the Serious Organised Crime Agency and the Police Information Technology Organisation) • Any body of constables established under enactment • Security Service, GCHQ and Secret Intelligence Service 	<p>The revised register, any notice of alteration, and the list of overseas electors</p>	<p>(E&W) 109 (Scotland) 108</p>	<p>When – Free supply on written request.</p> <p>Format – A data copy (unless a request for a printed copy is made prior to publication)</p> <p>Contact – As advised by relevant body</p>

Organisation / individual	Entitlement	Regulation(s)	Method of supply and contact
<p>A public library or local authority archives service where their remit includes the registration area</p>	<p>The relevant part of the revised register, any notice of alteration, and the list of overseas electors (the relevant part being that which the public library or local authority archives service has been given responsibility for keeping by a library authority or local authority)</p>	<p>(E&W) 109A (Scotland) 108A</p>	<p>When – Free supply on written request.</p> <p>Format – A data copy (unless a request for a printed copy is made prior to supply)</p> <p>Contact – As advised by the library or archives service</p>
<p>Returning Officer for the election of members to a National Park authority (Scotland only)</p>	<p>The latest revised register and any notice of alteration</p>	<p>(Scotland) 97A</p>	<p>When – Free of charge on request</p> <p>Format – As many printed copies as reasonably required for the purposes of the election (including a duty to supply one copy of each in data form)</p> <p>Contact – Liaise with Returning Officer</p>

Table 3: Returning Officers entitled to receive a full copy of the register of electors for an election

Note: Returning Officers for a local government election are entitled to free supply on publication (see table 1)

Organisation / individual	Entitlement	Regulation(s)	Method of supply & Contact
(Acting) Returning Officer for a Parliamentary election² , if they are not the Electoral Registration Officer	The latest revised register, any notice of alteration, and the most recent list of overseas electors	(E&W) 98 (Scotland) 97	When – Free of charge as soon as the announcement is made of Her Majesty’s intention to dissolve Parliament or on the occurrence of a vacancy in the relevant constituency Format – As many printed copies as reasonably required for the purposes of the election (including a duty to supply one copy of each in data form) Contact – Liaise with (Acting) Returning Officer
Local Returning Officer for a European Parliamentary election² – if they are not the Electoral Registration Officer	The latest revised register, any notice of alteration, and the most recent list of overseas electors	(E&W) 98 (Scotland) 97	When – Free of charge two months before polling day (or on the date an order is made appointing a day for a by-election) Format – As many printed copies as reasonably required for the purposes of the election (including a duty to supply one copy of each in data form) Contact – Liaise with Local Returning Officer.
Local Returning Officer for a Police and Crime Commissioner election² – if they are not the Electoral Registration Officer	The latest revised register and any notice of alteration	Paragraph 1, Schedule 1, PCC Elections Order 2012 ⁸	When – Free of charge, 60 days before the poll for an ordinary election, or on the date on which the vacancy occurs Format – As many printed copies as reasonably required for the purposes of the election (including a duty to supply one copy of each in data form) Contact – Liaise with Local Returning Officer

⁸ Police and Crime Commissioner Elections Order 2012

Organisation / individual	Entitlement	Regulation(s)	Method of supply & Contact
<p>Police Area Returning Officer for a Police and Crime Commissioner election (where the registration area is located in the police area) – if they are not the Electoral Registration Officer</p>	<p>The latest revised register and any notice of alteration</p>	<p>Paragraph 1, Schedule 1, PCC Elections Order 2012</p>	<p>When – Free of charge, 60 days before the poll for an ordinary election, or on the date on which the vacancy occurs</p> <p>Format – As many printed copies as reasonably required for the purposes of the election (including a duty to supply one copy of each in data form)</p> <p>Contact – Liaise with Police Area Returning Officer</p>
<p>Constituency and Regional Returning Officers at a National Assembly for Wales election² – if they are not the Electoral Registration Officer</p>	<p>The latest revised register and any notice of alteration</p>	<p>(E&W) 98 (Scotland) 97</p>	<p>When – Free of charge for the purposes of the election</p> <p>Format – As many printed copies as reasonably required for the purposes of the election (including a duty to supply one copy of each in data form)</p> <p>Contact – Liaise with relevant officer</p>
<p>Returning Officers for a Scottish Parliamentary election</p>	<p>The latest version of the register, any notice setting out an alteration to that register, and any record of anonymous entries</p>	<p>Paragraph 1, Schedule 1, Scottish Parliament Order</p>	<p>When – Free of charge as soon as the announcement is made of Her Majesty's intention to dissolve Parliament or on the occurrence of a vacancy in the relevant constituency.</p> <p>Format – As many printed copies as reasonably required for the purposes of the election (including a duty to supply one copy of each in data form)</p> <p>Contact – As advised by the Returning Officer</p>

Table 4: Requirement to supply to national libraries depending on location of the ERO

Library	ERO in England	ERO in Wales	ERO in Scotland	Data format	Contact address (printed)
British Library	<p>When – Free of charge on publication of any revised register</p> <p>Format:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • one printed copy and one data copy • one printed copy of the list of overseas electors 	<p>When – Free of charge on publication of any revised register</p> <p>Format:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • one printed copy and one data copy • one printed copy of the list of overseas electors 	<p>When – Free of charge on publication of any revised register</p> <p>Format:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • one printed copy and one data copy • one printed copy of the list of overseas electors 	As per: British library guidelines for supply of electoral register	Electoral Register Receipt Research Engagement The British Library 96 Euston Road LONDON NW1 2DB
National Library of Wales	<p>When – Free of charge on publication of any revised register</p> <p>Format:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • one data copy⁹ • one printed copy of the list of overseas electors <p>Register only wanted from Welsh EROs</p>	<p>When – Free of charge on publication of any revised register</p> <p>Format:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • one printed copy and one data copy • one printed copy of the list of overseas electors 	No legislative provision requiring ERO to supply the register	e-mail (CSV format) to: gew@llgc.org.uk ; or post a CD (followed by password in a separate envelope)	Official Publications Legal Deposit Unit The National Library of Wales Aberystwyth SY23 3BU
National Library of Scotland	<p>When – Free of charge on publication of any revised register</p> <p>Format:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • one data copy • one printed copy of the list of overseas electors 	<p>When – Free of charge on publication of any revised register</p> <p>Format:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • one data copy • one printed copy of the list of overseas electors 	<p>When – Free of charge on publication of any revised register</p> <p>Format:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • one printed copy and one data copy • one printed copy of the list of overseas electors 	All EROs: legal-deposit@nls.uk	<p>EROs (Scotland): Serials Unit, National Library of Scotland, George IV Bridge, Edinburgh, EH1 1EW</p> <p>EROs (England & Wales): Digital Collections, National Library of Scotland, George IV Bridge, Edinburgh, EH1 1EW</p>

⁹ unless a written request for a printed copy is made prior to publication

Table 5: Purchase of the electoral register

This table sets out those entitled to purchase the full electoral register. Information on calculating the relevant fees can be found in [Part 4: Maintaining the register throughout the year](#) of our guidance for Electoral Registration Officers (EROs).

Organisation / individual	Entitlement	Regulation(s)	Method of supply & Contact
<p>Government departments and other bodies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a government department (in Scotland this includes the Scottish Administration) • (E&W) the Environment Agency; (Scotland) the Scottish Environment Protection Agency • the Financial Conduct Authority • the Prudential Regulation Authority • a body which carries out the vetting of any person for the purpose of safeguarding national security (excepting those organisations that are entitled to a copy free of charge) 	<p>Any revised register, any notice of alteration, and the list of overseas electors</p>	<p>(E&W) 113 (Scotland) 112</p>	<p>As advised, on written request and on payment of the relevant fee. May request in data or printed format.</p>

Organisation / individual	Entitlement	Regulation(s)	Method of supply & Contact
<p>Credit reference agencies</p> <p>The organisation must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • have permission under the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 to furnish persons with information relevant to the financial standing of other persons. You can check an organisation has been granted permission by viewing their registration details on the FCA website; and • be ‘carrying on the business of providing credit reference services’. ‘Credit reference services’ is defined in the Regulations as ‘the furnishing of persons with information relevant to the financial standing of individuals, which is information collected by the person furnishing it for the purpose of so furnishing it’. You can view this information by expanding the ‘permission’ box for the organisation’s registration on the FCA website. 	<p>On payment of the relevant fee, any revised register, any notice of alteration, and the list of overseas electors</p>	<p>(E&W) 114 (Scotland) 113</p>	<p>As advised, on written request and on payment of the relevant fee. May request in data or printed format.</p> <p>Note: An ERO may require a credit reference agency to provide appropriate evidence that it is carrying on the business of providing credit reference services</p>