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Further to [Bulletin 362](#), we have now published guidance on managing the [Eligibility, Confirmation and Review \(ECR\) process](#) as provided by the [Representation of the People \(Franchise Amendment and Eligibility Review\) Regulations 2023](#). This guidance is to support EROs with implementing the Election Act 2022 changes to the franchise of EU citizens.

In England the general right of European Union citizens to register, vote and stand in local government elections and Police and Crime Commissioner elections will be removed, taking effect from 7 May 2024.

The guidance reflects the ERO's legal obligations to conduct the ECR process; what they should consider when planning and delivering the review; how the review processes, including both the data based and correspondence review, must be delivered; the possible outcomes of the review processes; and the requirement to provide data to us for the purpose of evaluating the change.

EROs can begin the ECR process from 7 May 2024 and it must be concluded by 31 January 2025.

Please contact your [local Commission team](#) if you have any questions or need any further support.

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