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You can register to vote if you are resident (usually live) in Wales and aged 14 or over. You will not be able to vote in local council or Senedd elections until you are 16 and you will not be able to vote in UK Parliament or Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) elections until you are 18. You must also be one of the following:

- a British or Irish citizen
- a Commonwealth citizen (including Maltese and Cypriot) who has permission to enter or stay in the UK, Channel Islands or Isle of Man, or who does not need permission
- a foreign national who has permission to enter or stay in the UK, Channel Islands or Isle of Man, or who does not need permission
- a European Union (EU) citizen.

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Contact us to request this form in large print or another format.

Go online

It's quick and easy to fill in this form at **gov.uk/register-to-vote**.

Register to vote

1 Your name and address

First name(s)

Middle name(s)

Last name

Your address

Postcode

Do you also live at another address? Please tick. ☐ No ☐ Yes

If yes, you do not have to give us this address now but we may ask for more information later.

Phone no. (optional)

Email (optional)

Providing an email address or phone number gives a quick and easy way to contact you about your application.

If we have printed information which is incorrect, please cross it out and write the correct information.

2 Moved house in the last 12 months?

Please tick. ☐ No ☐ Yes If yes, please give any previous address where you have lived during the last year or your application may be delayed.

Postcode

If this address was overseas, were you registered in the UK as an overseas voter? Please tick. ☐ No ☐ Yes

3 Your nationality (more info on page 4)

Please state your nationality. If you have more than one nationality, please include them all.

(Don't know your nationality? Please see section 10).

4 Your immigration status (more info on page 4)

Only complete this section if you are an EU citizen from one of the following countries:
Austria • Belgium • Bulgaria • Croatia • Czech Republic • Estonia • Finland • France • Germany • Greece • Hungary • Italy • Latvia • Lithuania • Netherlands • Romania • Slovakia • Slovenia • Sweden

Since 31 December 2020 have you continuously had permission to enter or stay in the UK, Channel Islands or Isle of Man, or not needed permission?

Answer 'Yes' if one or more of the following applied to you on or before 31 December 2020 and has continued without a break:

- settled or pre-settled status under the EU settlement scheme, except if you applied as a joining family member
- indefinite or limited permission to enter or stay in the UK, Channel Islands or Isle of Man
- resident in the UK, Channel Islands or Isle of Man but exempt from immigration controls.

If your answer to the question is 'Yes' and you have been absent from the UK for a period of time that is allowed under the terms of your immigration status, then you should still tick the 'Yes' option.

Please tick. ☐ No ☐ Yes

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5 Your date of birth (more info on page 4)

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If you don't know your date of birth, please tick if you are:

14-15 ☐ 16-17 ☐ 18-75 ☐ aged 76 or over ☐

(Don't know your date of birth? Please see section 10).

6 Your National Insurance number (If you are aged 16 or over)

You can find this on your payslip, or on official letters about tax, pensions or benefits.

☐ Please tick if you are aged under 16.

(Don't know your National Insurance number? Please see section 10).

7 Changed your name? (more info on page 4)

Please give us your most recent previous name (optional).

Please tell us the date you changed your name (optional). D D M M Y Y Y Y

8 The open register (more info on page 4)

The open register is an extract of the electoral register, but it is not used for elections. It can be bought by anyone and used for many purposes including direct marketing.

In Wales, the open register is an extract of the electoral register that is used for UK Parliament and Police and Crime Commissioner elections. There is no open register of the electoral register that is used for Senedd and local council elections.

If you are aged 16 or over, your name and address will be included in the open register unless you ask for them to be removed.

Please tick if you do not want your name and address to be included in the open register. ☐

9 Voting by post or proxy?

If you intend to vote in person at a polling station, you should leave this section blank.

To vote by post or proxy, you must complete a separate application for an absent vote. More information can be found at **gov.uk/how-to-vote,** or tick how you want to vote below and we will send you information.

☐ By post ☐ By proxy (someone voting on your behalf)

10 Don't know your nationality, date of birth or National Insurance number? Please tell us why

If you can't provide these details, we may ask you for other evidence before processing your application.

11 Declaration

I currently live at this address. To the best of my knowledge, the information in this form is true.

I understand that the information I have given will be used on the electoral register. I understand that if I do not make an application for registration when required to do so I could face a fine of £80. This £80 fine does not apply to 14 or 15 year olds. I understand that it is an offence to knowingly provide false information in this form and if convicted I may be imprisoned for up to six months and/or face an unlimited fine.

Signature

Today's date D D M M Y Y Y Y

Voting at the polling station

At UK Parliament and Police and Crime Commissioner elections, you will need to show photo ID at your polling station to cast your vote. If you do not have accepted photo ID, you can apply for a free voter ID document, the Voter Authority Certificate. For more information, go to **gov.uk/how-to-vote/photo-id-youll-need** or contact us.

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Your nationality and immigration status

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We may need additional evidence about your nationality or we may check your nationality or immigration status against government records.

Section 4 'Your immigration status' determines your eligibility to vote in Police and Crime Commissioner elections only. It does not determine your eligibility to register to vote, or to vote in Senedd or local council elections in Wales. If this section applies to you, we may check your historical nationality or historical immigration status against government records.

Your date of birth

If you don't know your date of birth, please give the date you put on official documents (for example, your passport or driving licence) or tick one of the boxes. Your date of birth identifies you, confirms your eligibility to vote and can be used to call you for jury service.

Changed your name?

For example, you may have got married and changed your name. You do not have to give us details of your name change but it will help us identify you. If this information is not given, then you may need to provide additional documentary evidence.

The open register

There are two registers. Why? Using information received from the public, registration officers keep two registers – the electoral register and the open register (also known as the edited register).

The electoral register lists the names and addresses of everyone who is registered to vote in public elections. The register is used for electoral purposes, such as making sure only eligible people can vote. It is also used for other limited purposes specified in law, such as:

- detecting crime (e.g. fraud)
- calling people for jury service
- checking credit applications.

The open register is an extract of the electoral register, but is not used for elections. It can be bought by any person, company or organisation. For example, it is used by businesses and charities to confirm name and address details. If you are aged 16 or over, your name and address will be included in the open register unless you ask for them to be removed. Removing your details from the open register does not affect your right to vote.

In Wales, the open register is an extract of the electoral register that is used for UK Parliament and Police and Crime Commissioner elections. There is no open register of the electoral register that is used for Senedd and local council elections.

If you are aged 14 or 15, you will be included on the electoral register, but your details will not be included in any register that is published. Electoral Registration Officers and their staff can see the details you provide.

About six weeks before an election, certain people need details of everyone who can vote in that election. If you will be 16 on the date of the Senedd or local council elections, your name and address will be given to people who run the elections, and to candidates who want to provide information to voters.

If you are concerned that having your name or address on the register may affect your safety, there could be other options available to you. In certain circumstances, you can register without your name and address showing on the register. To find out more, please contact us. You can find our address on page 1.

You can find out more information about both registers and how they may be used at **gov.uk/register-to-vote**.

Privacy statement

The Electoral Registration Officer is the Controller. Their lawful basis for collecting the personal information in this application form is that the processing is necessary in order to perform a task in the public interest as set out in the Representation of the People Act 1983 and related legislation.

The Electoral Registration Officer is legally required to process your personal information securely and comply with data protection legislation.

If you opted-out of the open register, your name and address can only be used for electoral purposes (including matching it against other data sources to support the electoral register) and other limited purposes specified in law. The law allows your information to be used for democratic engagement activities (by political parties, candidates, and agents), crime detection, jury summoning, and credit application identity checks.

If you did not opt-out of the open register, your name and address can be bought by anyone and used for lots of purposes, including direct marketing.

Please refer to the privacy notice at <<Web>> or contact the Electoral Registration Officer to request a copy.
«ERO name» «ERO address» «ERO telephone»

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