

## REGISTER OF ELECTORS

### Application for inclusion in the Supplement to the Register of Electors by a person already registered who becomes an Irish citizen

**Please read the notes carefully before completing the form.**

1.	Name as on the current register of electors: <b>(block letters)</b>							
[Please include other details such as Snr., Jnr., other name or an initial if there is another person with the same first name and surname living at the same address.]								
2.	Current address: <b>(block letters)</b>							
EIRCODE:								
3.	Address on the register of electors if different to your current address:							
4.	<b>Date of Birth:</b>							
5.	<b>Edited Register:</b> If you wish to be <b>excluded</b> from the edited Register, please tick (✓) the opt out box:						Opt out box <input type="checkbox"/>	
6.	<b>Declaration</b> This section must be signed in the presence of a member of the Garda Síochána from the applicant's local Garda Station (section 7(a)) or, if that is not possible, in the presence of a Registration Authority Official (section 7(b)), or if neither option is possible section 7(c) should be completed.  I believe the information I have supplied to be true. I apply to be included in the Supplement to the Register of Electors on the basis of becoming an Irish citizen.							
Signature of Applicant:								
Date:								
Daytime/Mobile Phone Number:								
E-Mail:								
[Please attach evidence of your Irish citizenship, for example a copy of your Certificate of Naturalisation or of the relevant page in your Irish passport.]								

7.(a)	<b>Certificate of Identity</b> This section should be completed by a member of the Garda Síochána from the applicant's local Garda Station.  I certify that I have satisfied myself as to the identity of the applicant who has signed section 6 in my presence.		
	Signature of Garda:		Station Stamp
	Name of Garda: <b>(block letters)</b>		
	Rank:		
	Garda Number:		
	Telephone:		
	Date:		
7.(b)	This section should be completed <b>only</b> if you are unable to comply with 7(a) above.		
	Reason why form could not be completed by a member of the Garda Síochána from your local Garda Station:-		
	Signature of Registration Authority Official:		Registration Authority Stamp
	Name of Registration Authority Official: <b>(block letters)</b>		
	Grade:		
	Date:		

- 7.(c) This section should be completed by a medical practitioner **only** if you are unable to comply with 7(a) or 7(b) above due to physical illness or physical disability.

### Medical Certificate

Nature and extent of physical illness or physical disability:


Expected duration of illness or disability:

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Signature of Registered Medical Practitioner:

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Name of Registered Medical Practitioner:  
**(block letters)**

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Address: **(block letters)**

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EIRCODE:

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Date:

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## NOTES TO FORM RFA 5

### **Application for inclusion in the Supplement to the Register of Electors by a person already registered who becomes an Irish citizen.**

1. A person who becomes an Irish citizen, who is **not already on the register** of electors, and who wishes to apply to be included in the supplement to the register of electors, should complete form **RFA2**.
2. The purpose of this form (RFA 5) is to facilitate voters who are **already on the register** of local, European or Dáil electors who have become Irish citizens and wish to be included in the supplement to the register of electors so that they can also vote at Dáil and presidential elections, and referendums.

While there are no restrictions on when the form may be completed and sent to the registration authority, only those forms received before the 14<sup>th</sup> day before polling day (excluding Sundays, Public Holidays and Good Friday) at an election or referendum, may be considered for entry onto the supplement for that poll. Late applications will not be processed until after polling day.

3. A person who is on the register of local electors or the register of European electors, or a British citizen who is on the register of Dáil electors, who becomes an Irish citizen can apply for entry to the supplement as an Irish citizen, even if they become an Irish citizen after the qualifying date for the register of electors.
4. A separate form must be completed and signed by each person applying for inclusion in the supplement. To avoid delay in processing your application, make sure to complete it fully and return it by post or deliver it to the appropriate City, County or City and County Council - that is the Council on whose register of electors **you are currently listed**.
5. **Evidence of Irish Citizenship**

To assist the registration authority in processing your application, please attach evidence of your Irish citizenship, for example a copy of your Certificate of Naturalisation or of the relevant page in your Irish passport.

**6. Eircode**

Eircode is the national postcode system for Ireland and comprises a unique 7-digit postcode which has been allocated to every address in Ireland.

**7. Address**

If your current address is different to the address at which you are currently registered to vote you should provide your current address and also your previous address to allow the registration authority to accurately reflect your application on the register of electors – that is to delete the current entry and to include the correct information in the supplement.

**8. Edited Register - Two versions of the Register**

Registration authorities are required to publish two versions of the Register - the full register and the edited register. The full Register lists everyone who is entitled to vote and can only be used for an electoral or other statutory purpose.

The **edited register** contains the names and addresses of persons whose details can be used for a purpose other than an electoral or other statutory purpose e.g. for direct marketing use by a commercial or other organisation. If you do not want your details to be included on the edited register, you should tick (✓) the **opt out box** at section 6 of the form. If you want your registration details to be included (i.e. available for non-statutory uses), you should leave the opt out box blank.

**9. Declaration/Certificate of Identity**

- (a) The declaration at section 6 of the application form must be signed in the presence of a member of the Garda Síochána from your local Garda station. If the Garda is satisfied as to your identity, he or she will sign, date and stamp section 7(a) of the form. If necessary, photographic identification may be required and you should be able to

present such identification and other supporting identification to assist the Garda.

- (b) If you are unable to proceed as at (a) above, the form may be witnessed at the offices of the registration authority and in such cases section 7(b) of the form must be completed. You must state, in writing, why the form could not be completed by a member of the Garda Síochána from your local Garda Station. Photographic identification and other supporting identification documentation should be brought to the registration authority.
  - (c) If you are unable to proceed as at (a) or (b) above due to physical illness or physical disability you must have section 7(c) of the form completed by a medical practitioner.
- 10.** You will be notified as quickly as possible of the ruling on your application. Where your application is refused, you will have the right to appeal against the ruling to the county registrar. The supplement will be published in the period immediately before the polling day at an election or referendum.
- 11.** Your contact details are being sought in case the registration authority needs to contact you to clarify any details of the application.
- 12.** It is an offence to fail to give the registration authority or county registrar any information required for the purpose of their duties or to knowingly give false information.