

L.N. 240 of 2009

**LOCAL COUNCILS ACT
(CAP. 363)**

Local Councils (Association) (Amendment) Regulations, 2009

IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred by articles 37(3) and 72 of the Local Councils Act, the Prime Minister has made the following regulations-

1. The title of these regulations is the Local Councils(Association) (Amendment) Regulations, 2009 and they shall be read and construed as one with the Local Councils (Association) Regulations 1994, hereinafter referred to as “the principal regulations”. Title.
L.N. 153 of 1994.

2. In sub-regulation (1) of regulation 4 of the principal regulations, for the word “six” there shall be substituted the word “nine”. Amends
regulation 4 of
the principal
regulations.

3. Regulation 6 of the principal regulations shall be amended as follows: Amends
regulation 6 of
the principal
regulations.

(a) in sub-regulation (1) thereof, for the words from “The six members” up to the words “in each one of the regions:” there shall be substituted the following:

“(1) The nine members of the Executive Committee shall be elected upon the principal of proportional representation by means of the single transferable vote as separately applicable to each of two lists as follows:

(a) the Chairman who is elected from amongst all Councillors;

(b) a general list, from which three members are elected by and from among all Councillors in office;

(c) a regional list, in which five members are elected, one from each of the five regions established in the Second Schedule, by and from

among all Councillors in office representing the localities in each one of the regions:";

(b) In sub-regulation (2) thereof, for the words from "Provided that if the election for the Committee" to the words "the term of office of the previous councillors has been extended", there shall be substituted the words:

"Provided that if the election for the Committee is due to be held within three months before the holding of General Elections, or referenda, or elections for Local Councils, the election may be postponed to a date determined by the Minister, but in any case not later than three months following the holding of such General Elections, referenda or elections for Local Councils, as the case may be:

Provided further that in the event that the election is so postponed, the next elections for the Committee will be held as provided in this regulation".;

(c) in sub-regulation (3) thereof, for the words "The Council Secretary" there shall be substituted the words "The Executive Secretary of the Local Council".; and

(d) In sub-regulation (6) of regulation 6 thereof, for the words from "in these regulations", to the words " in the statute of the Congress" there shall be substituted the words "in these regulations, the Executive Secretary shall inform the Electoral Commission to hold elections to fill vacant posts according to these regulations.".

Amends
regulation 7 of
the principal
regulations.

4. In regulation 7 of the principal regulations, for the words from "written notification of such vacancy shall be sent to" to the words " to fill the seat vacated" there shall be substituted the words "written notification of such vacancy shall be sent to the Electoral Commission by the Executive Secretary within two days after the vacancy has occurred. The Commission shall, within three days from the date of the notification by the Executive Secretary, give notice, to be published in the Gazette, of an election to fill the seat vacated.".

Amends
regulation 11 of
the principal
regulations.

5. In sub-regulation (1) of regulation 11 of the principal regulations, for the words from "The Committee members shall attend all meetings of the Committee", to the words " within a

period of six months:" there shall be substituted the words"(1) The Committee members shall attend all meetings of the Committee. The Committee may declare a seat to be vacant on failure of the member to attend six consecutive Committee meetings or in the aggregate if he attends less than one-third of the meetings called within a period of six months:".

6. For the Second Schedule to the principal regulations there shall be substituted the following:

Substitutes the Second Schedule to the principal regulations.

“SECOND SCHEDULE
Regulation 6(1)

Gozo Region	Northern Region	Central Region	Southern Region	South Eastern Region
Rabat	Mdina	Attard	Valletta	Hal-Qormi
Fontana	Dingli	Balzan	Birgu	Żebbuġ
Għajnsielem	Għarghur	Birkirkara	Isla	Sigġiewi
Għarb	Mellieħa	Gzira	Bormla	Birżebbuġia
Għasri	Mgarr	Iklin	Zabbar	Gudja
Kerċem	Mosta	Lija	Zejtun	Għaxaq
Munxar	Naxxar	Msida	Fgura	Hamrun
Nadur	Pembroke	Pieta`	Floriana	Kirkop
Qala	Rabat	San Giljan	Kalkara	Luqa
San Lawrenz	San Pawl il-Baħar	San Ġwann	Marsa	Mqabba
Sannat	Swieqi	Santa Venera	Marsascalea	Qrendi
Xagħra	Mtarfa	Sliema	Marsaxlokk	Safi
Xewkija		Ta`Xbiex	Paola	Santa Lucija
Żebbuġ			Tarxien	Zurrieq
			Xgħajra	

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