



Electoral Law Act (Northern Ireland) 1962

1962 CHAPTER 14

PART VI

THE ELECTION CAMPAIGN

49 Authorised excuses for failures as respects return and declarations.

(1) The High Court, an election court or the county court may on the application of a candidate or his election agent grant relief in accordance with this section.

[^{F1}(1A) Where a person makes an application under this section in respect of the return and declaration as to election expenses at a local election, he shall notify the Director of Public Prosecutions for Northern Ireland of the application and the Director or his assistant or any barrister or solicitor duly appointed as the Director's representative may attend the hearing of the application and make representations at the hearing in respect of it.]

(2) Relief under this section may be granted—

- (a) to a candidate, in respect of any failure to transmit the return and declarations as to election expenses, or any part of them, or in respect of any error or false statement therein; or
- (b) to an election agent, in respect of the failure to transmit the return and declarations that he is required to transmit or any part of them or in respect of any error or false statement therein.

[^{F1}At a local election this subsection shall have effect as if for the word transmit, in each place where it occurs, there were substituted deliver.]

(3) The application for relief may be made on the ground that the failure, error or false statement arose—

- (a) by reason of the illness of the applicant; or
- (b) where the applicant is the candidate, by reason of the absence, death, illness or misconduct of his election agent or sub-agent or of any clerk or officer of such agent; or

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- (c) where the applicant is the election agent, by reason of the death or illness of any prior election agent of the candidate, or of the absence, death, illness or misconduct of any sub-agent, clerk or officer of any election agent of the candidate; or
- (d) by reason of inadvertence or any reasonable cause of a like nature; and not by reason of any want of good faith on the part of the applicant.
- (4) The court may, after such notice of the application in the constituency and on production of such evidence of the grounds stated in the application and of the good faith of the application and otherwise as to the court seems fit, make such order for allowing an authorised excuse for the failure, error or false statement as to the court seems just.
- (5) Where it is proved to the court by the candidate that any act or omission of the election agent in relation to the return and declarations was without the sanction or connivance of the candidate, and that the candidate used all reasonable means for preventing the act or omission, the court shall relieve the candidate from the consequences of the act or omission of his election agent.
- (6) An order under sub-section (4) may make the allowance conditional on the making of the return and declaration in a modified form or within an extended time, and upon the compliance with such other terms as to the court seem best calculated for carrying into effect the objects of this Part.
- (7) An order under sub-section (4) shall relieve the applicant for the order from any liability or consequences under this Act in respect of the matter excused by the order.
- (8) The date of the order, or if conditions and terms are to be complied with, the date at which the applicant fully complies with them, is referred to in this Act as the date of the allowance of the excuse.
- (9) The jurisdiction conferred on the High Court by this section may, subject to rules of court, be exercised by a judge sitting either in court or at chambers.
- (10) An appeal shall lie to the High Court from any order of a county court made by virtue of this section.

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- s. 11(1A)(aa) inserted by [S.I. 2023/290 art. 2\(2\)](#)
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- s. 11A-11K inserted by [S.I. 2010/1178 art. 3](#)
- s. 14A(2A) inserted by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 2](#)
- s. 34(4A) inserted by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 4](#)
- s. 37A inserted by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 5](#)
- s. 39(3)(ca) inserted by [2022 c. 37 s. 22\(2\)](#)
- s. 40(1A) inserted by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 8\(2\)](#)
- s. 40A inserted by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 9](#)
- s. 41(1A) inserted by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 10\(3\)](#)
- s. 42(1ZA)(1ZB) inserted by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 11\(4\)](#)
- s. 42(1ZC) inserted by [S.I. 2019/564 art. 2](#)
- s. 42(7) inserted by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 11\(6\)](#)
- s. 46(3)(ca) inserted by [S.I. 2019/564 art. 3](#)
- s. 52A52B inserted by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 16](#)
- s. 52B(1A) inserted by [2022 c. 37 s. 20\(7\)](#)
- s. 57A inserted by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 18](#)
- s. 79(1A) inserted by [S.I. 2014/1116 art. 6\(2\)](#)
- s. 96(3A)(b) word omitted by [2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 2\(a\)](#)
- s. 96(3A)(ba) inserted by [2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 2\(b\)](#)
- s. 105(9) inserted by [2023 c. 32 Sch. 1 para. 1\(2\)](#)
- s. 106(1A) inserted by [2023 c. 32 Sch. 1 para. 1\(3\)](#)
- s. 108(5) inserted by [2023 c. 32 Sch. 1 para. 1\(4\)](#)
- s. 111(2A)(ca) inserted by [2023 c. 12 s. 2\(1\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 111(2B) inserted by [2023 c. 32 Sch. 1 para. 1\(5\)](#)
- s. 112(1A)(b) word omitted by [2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 4\(a\)](#)
- s. 112(1A)(ba) inserted by [2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 4\(b\)](#)
- s. 112(3) repealed by [2010 c. 23 Sch. 2](#)
- s. 118(4) inserted by [2023 c. 32 Sch. 1 para. 1\(7\)](#)
- s. 122A inserted by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 41](#)
- s. 130(3)-(3A) substituted for s. 130(3) by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 43\(3\)](#)
- Sch. 9 para. 25(1) Sch. 9 para. 25 renumbered as Sch. 9 para. 25(1) by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 37](#)
- Sch. 9 para. 5ZA and cross-heading inserted by [2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 25](#)
- Sch. 9 para. 12A(1A) inserted by [2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 26\(2\)](#)
- Sch. 9 para. 12A(6A) inserted by [2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 26\(5\)](#)
- Sch. 9 para. 27(3A)-(3F) inserted by [2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 27\(3\)](#)
- Sch. 9 para. 27(5)(6) inserted by [2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 27\(4\)](#)
- Sch. 9 para. 26A inserted by [2023 c. 12 s. 2\(1\)\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 9 para. 4A inserted by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 30](#)
- Sch. 9 para. 5A(1)(c) and word inserted by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 31\(2\)](#)
- Sch. 9 para. 5A(2)(3) inserted by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 31\(3\)](#)
- Sch. 9 para. 12A(7A) inserted by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 32](#)
- Sch. 9 para. 17A inserted by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 35](#)

- Sch. 9 para. 25(2)(3) inserted by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 37](#)
- Sch. 10 Form 4 omitted by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 20\(a\)](#)
- Sch. 9 para. 5A(1) para. 5A renumbered as para. 5A(1) by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 31\(1\)](#)
- Sch. 9 para. 5A(1)(b) word omitted by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 31\(2\)](#)
- Sch. 9 para. 32A(3)(4) words inserted by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 39\(3\)](#)
- Sch. 10 Form 5 words omitted by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 20\(b\)](#)
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- Sch. 8 Appendix Form 8 substituted by [S.I. 2015/566 art. 2\(12\)](#)Sch. 8
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- Sch. 3A inserted by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 19](#)
- Sch. 3A para. 10(2) inserted by [S.I. 2014/1116 art. 6\(4\)\(a\)](#)
- Sch. 3A para. 11(c) words inserted by [S.I. 2014/1116 art. 6\(4\)\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 3B inserted by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 19](#)
- Sch. 3B para. 13 inserted by [S.I. 2019/564 art. 4](#)
- Sch. 4 Appendix Form 6 substituted by [S.I. 2015/566 art. 2\(8\)](#)Sch. 4
- Sch. 5 rule 26 amendment to earlier affecting provision 2001 c. 7 Sch. para. 19 by [S.I. 2014/1116 art. 9\(5\)](#)
- Sch. 5 form 5ZA amendment to earlier affecting provision SI 2013/3156 Sch. by [S.I. 2014/1116 art. 10\(4\)](#)
- Sch. 5 rule 59 applied (with modifications) by 2011 c. 1 Sch. 8 para. 50(7)(c)(8)
- Sch. 5 rule 16A(2) excluded by 2011 c. 1 Sch. 8 para. 7
- Sch. 5 rule 21(1) excluded by 2011 c. 1 Sch. 8 para. 10
- Sch. 5 rule 26(3ZC) excluded by 2011 c. 1 Sch. 8 para. 16
- Sch. 5 rule 26(4) excluded by 2011 c. 1 Sch. 8 para. 18
- Sch. 5 rule 34(1)(e) excluded by 2011 c. 1 Sch. 8 para. 22(4)
- Sch. 5 rule 36(5)(a) excluded by 2011 c. 1 Sch. 8 para. 25
- Sch. 5 rule 43(1) excluded by 2011 c. 1 Sch. 8 para. 35
- Sch. 5 rule 44 excluded by 2011 c. 1 Sch. 8 para. 35
- Sch. 5 rule 45 excluded by 2011 c. 1 Sch. 8 para. 35
- Sch. 5 rule 64(1)-(6) excluded by 2011 c. 1 Sch. 8 para. 40
- Sch. 5 rule 21(1) excluded in part by 2011 c. 1 Sch. 8 para. 11
- Sch. 5 rule 16B and cross-heading inserted by 2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 9
- Sch. 5 rule 22(5) inserted by 2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 10
- Sch. 5 rule 26(3)(f) inserted by 2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 12(2)
- Sch. 5 rule 26(3B)-(3E) inserted by 2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 12(4)
- Sch. 5 rule 32(2A) inserted by 2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 13(4)
- Sch. 5 rule 32(6) inserted by 2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 13(6)
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- Sch. 5 rule 34(5A)-(5C) inserted by 2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 14(7)
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- Sch. 5 rule 34(6)(m) inserted by 2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 14(8)(e)
- Sch. 5 rule 34(6B)(6C) inserted by 2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 14(9)
- Sch. 5 rule 41(1)(db) inserted by 2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 19
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- Sch. 5 rule 5A(1A)-(1C) inserted by [S.I. 2010/1178 art. 4\(3\)\(a\)](#)
- Sch. 5 rule 5A(3)(c) inserted by [S.I. 2010/1178 art. 4\(3\)\(c\)](#)
- Sch. 5 rule 3A inserted by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 47](#)
- Sch. 5 rule 4(ca) inserted by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 48](#)
- Sch. 5 rule 5(2A) inserted by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 49](#)
- Sch. 5 rule 9(5) inserted by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 50\(3\)](#)

- Sch. 5 rule 12(2A)-(2C) inserted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 52(2)
- Sch. 5 rule 12(5)(6) inserted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 52(3)
- Sch. 5 rule 12A inserted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 53
- Sch. 5 rule 16(2C)(2D) inserted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 54(3)(b)
- Sch. 5 rule 16(4) inserted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 54(4)
- Sch. 5 rule 16A inserted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 55
- Sch. 5 rule 21(3)(4) inserted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 58
- Sch. 5 rule 26(3)(e) inserted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 60(4)
- Sch. 5 rule 26(3ZC)(3ZD)(3ZE) inserted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 60(5)
- Sch. 5 rule 27(1A) inserted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 61(3)
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- Sch. 5 rule 34(6)(j)(k)(l) inserted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 68(4)(b)
- Sch. 5 rule 34(6A) inserted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 68(5)
- Sch. 5 rule 34A inserted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 69
- Sch. 5 rule 41(da) inserted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 70(3)
- Sch. 5 rule 58(1)(da) inserted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 75(b)
- Sch. 5 rule 34(1A) inserted by S.I. 2013/3156 art. 3(4)
- Sch. 5 rule 6(8) inserted by S.I. 2014/1116 art. 6(6)
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- Sch. 5 rule 37A inserted by S.I. 2014/1116 art. 6(11)
- Sch. 5 rule 25(2A) inserted by S.I. 2014/1880 art. 3(2)(b)
- Sch. 5 rule 5(5)-(9) inserted by S.I. 2020/635 art. 3(b)
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- Sch. 5 rule 10(1)(aa) inserted by S.I. 2020/635 art. 5(a)(ii)
- Sch. 5 rule 12(2ZA)(2ZB) inserted by S.I. 2020/635 art. 6(b)
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- Sch. 5 rule 12A(2)(d) and word inserted by S.I. 2020/635 art. 7(b)(ii)
- Sch. 5 rule 56A inserted by S.I. 2020/635 art. 8
- Sch. 5 rule 45(2)(c) and word inserted by S.I. 2024/382 art. 9(2)(c)
- Sch. 5 rule 37A(10A)(10B) inserted by 2001 c. 7 Sch. para. 24A (as inserted) by S.I. 2014/1116 art. 9(6)
- Sch. 5 rule 1 modified by 2011 c. 1 Sch. 8 para. 4
- Sch. 5 rule 29(1) modified by 2011 c. 1 Sch. 8 para. 19(3)
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- Sch. 5 rule 16(2)(d) omitted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 54(2)
- Sch. 5 rule 26(3)(b) omitted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 60(3)
- Sch. 5 rule 34(1)(a) omitted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 68(2)
- Sch. 5 rule 60(2)(3) omitted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 77(4)
- Sch. 5 rule 5(2)(b) omitted by S.I. 2020/635 art. 3(a)(ii)
- Sch. 5 rule 5(2A) substituted by 2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 7
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- Sch. 5 rule 32(2) substituted by 2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 13(3)
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- Sch. 5 rule 34 heading substituted by 2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 14(2)
- Sch. 5 rule 10(3)(3A) substituted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 51
- Sch. 5 rule 33 substituted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 67
- Sch. 5 rule 59(6) substituted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 76(4)
- Sch. 5 rule 10(4)(4A) substituted for Sch. 5 rule 10(4) by S.I. 2020/635 art. 5(c)
- Sch. 5 rule 61-64 substituted for Sch. 5 rule 61 by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 78

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- Sch. 5 rule 20(2) word omitted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 57
- Sch. 5 rule 29(3)(a) word omitted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 63
- Sch. 5 rule 34(6) word omitted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 68(4)(a)
- Sch. 5 rule 12A(2)(b) word omitted by S.I. 2020/635 art. 7(b)(i)
- Sch. 5 rule 45(2)(a) word omitted by S.I. 2024/382 art. 9(2)(b)
- Sch. 5 rule 27(2) word substituted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 61(4)
- Sch. 5 rule 60(1) word substituted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 77(3)
- Sch. 5 rule 26(6) word substituted by S.I. 2015/566 art. 2(3)(a)
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- Sch. 5 rule 25(2) words omitted by S.I. 2014/1880 art. 3(2)(a)
- Sch. 5 rule 16A(3) words repealed by S.I. 2018/1310 Sch. 1 Pt. 1 (This S.I. is amended by S.I. 2019/1389, reg. 2)

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- S.R. 2014/153 art. 3Sch. 2 commences (2014 c. 8)
- S.R. 2016/387 art. 2 commences (2015 c. 9 (N.I.))