

# Application to vote by proxy due to physical incapacity

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Polling District:

Elector No:

UPRN:

Only one person can apply to vote by proxy using this form. Read the attached notes before completing both sides using **black ink** and **BLOCK LETTERS**. Make sure that all parts of the form are properly completed, it is signed and dated then return it to your local electoral registration office – see notes for details.

## 1 About you

Surname

Forename(s) in full

Current address  
(if different from Part 2)

Postcode

Daytime telephone or mobile number (optional)

If your address is a residential care home or sheltered accommodation as explained in the note below, tick box

You should tick the box if, and only if, you are resident in:

- Accommodation provided or registered in terms of the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968.
- Premises forming one of a group of premises which are provided for persons of pensionable age or physically disabled persons and for which there is a resident warden.

## 2 Your address

(where you are registered to vote)

Postcode

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Date Stamp

## 3 Reason for this application

IMPORTANT – COMPLETE A, B OR C (ONE ONLY)  
BELOW:-

- If you are registered blind, give the name of the Council with which you are registered. Write in Section **A**.
- If you receive the higher rate of the mobility component of a disability living allowance, please state the nature of your physical incapacity in Section **B**.
- If you are completing Section **C**, please say what is the general nature of your physical incapacity which makes it unreasonable for you to be expected to vote in person (e.g. "I have a serious difficulty in walking").

**A. I am registered as a blind person by the**

\_\_\_\_\_ Council

**B. I receive the higher rate of the mobility component of a disability living allowance because of a physical incapacity which is**

\_\_\_\_\_

**C. I suffer from a physical incapacity, which is**

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## 4 About your proxy

Full Name

Relationship to you (if any)

Full Address

Postcode

If your proxy needs to vote by post, tick here  
and a separate form will be sent.

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## 5 Declaration in support

If you filled in section C of Part 3 in this form you must get someone else to support what you say. He or she must be one of the people listed in the notes and must be treating you or giving you care for your incapacity.

To the best of my knowledge and belief, the person named in Part 1 is suffering from the physical incapacity stated and cannot reasonably be expected to attend the polling station in person or to vote there unaided. This is likely to continue indefinitely/for a period of \*

\_\_\_\_\_ (\* delete as appropriate)

Declarant's full name

Declarant's address

Postcode

Signature

Date

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## 6 Your date of birth and declaration

**Declaration:** As far as I know, the details on this form are true and accurate. I understand that to provide false information on this form is an offence, punishable on conviction by imprisonment of up to 2 years and/or a fine.

I have asked the person I have named as my proxy and confirm that he/she is willing and able to be appointed to vote on my behalf.

**Date of birth:** Please write your date of birth 'DD MM YYYY' in the black boxes below, **using black ink.**

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**Signature:** Sign below, keeping within the grey border.

## 7 Date of application

Today's date

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If you are unable to sign this form, please contact your Electoral Registration Officer.

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## How do I apply to vote by proxy?

1. You must ask someone, who is willing and able to vote on your behalf, to be your proxy.
2. Your proxy must be able to vote in UK elections and not have agreed to act as a proxy for more than two electors, including yourself, unless they are relatives (spouse, civil partner, parent, grandparent, brother, sister, child or grandchild).
3. Complete an application to vote by proxy, due to physical incapacity, giving a reason why you want to vote by proxy and get someone to support your application. Then make sure all sections are completed. Your date of birth and signature are required to prevent fraud. If you are unable to sign the form please contact your Electoral Registration Officer.
4. Return the form as soon as possible to one of the addresses shown below.

**Please note:** Your application form must arrive at your electoral registration office by 5pm **11 working days** before an election when changing or cancelling an existing proxy, postal or postal proxy vote and by 5pm **6 working days** before an election when applying for a new proxy vote.

## Voting by proxy

If you cannot vote at an election in person, you can apply to vote by proxy (someone else voting on your behalf). You can use this form to apply to vote by proxy if you cannot reasonably be expected to vote in person because of physical incapacity.

## Who can support my application?

- A doctor (a registered medical practitioner).
- A registered nurse.
- A Christian Science practitioner
- If you are living in a residential care home or sheltered housing accommodation, and you have completed section C in Part 3, ask the matron or warden to read these notes and then fill in part 5.

## What happens after I've returned this form?

- Your proxy must go to **your** local polling station to vote. If your proxy cannot get to the polling station, they can apply to vote for you by post. They can apply to do this by 5pm **11 working days** before election day. They should contact the electoral registration office for more details.
- Your proxy will be sent a proxy poll card, telling them where and when to vote on your behalf.
- You should let your proxy know how you want them to vote on your behalf, for example, which candidate or which party.
- If it turns out that you are able to go to the polling station on election day, you can vote in person as long as your proxy has not already

done so and has not applied to vote for you by post.

## More information

If you have any questions about voting by proxy, contact your Electoral Registration Officer or telephone Freephone 0800 393783.

The Electoral Registration Officer:

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