

**Reprint  
as at 12 May 2011**



## **Referenda (Postal Voting) Order 2008**

(SR 2008/308)

Referenda (Postal Voting) Order 2008: revoked, on 12 May 2011, by clause 3 of the Regulatory Reform (Revocations) Order 2011 (SR 2011/99).

Rt Hon Dame Sian Elias, Administrator of the Government

### **Order in Council**

At Wellington this 15th day of September 2008

Present:

Her Excellency the Administrator of the Government in Council

Pursuant to sections 5, 21, and 30 of the Referenda (Postal Voting) Act 2000, Her Excellency the Administrator of the Government, acting on the advice and with the consent of the Executive Council, makes the following order.

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**Note**

Changes authorised by section 17C of the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989 have been made in this reprint.

A general outline of these changes is set out in the notes at the end of this reprint, together with other explanatory material about this reprint.

**This order is administered by the Ministry of Justice.**

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**Order****1 Title**

This order is the Referenda (Postal Voting) Order 2008.

**2 Commencement**

This order comes into force on 26 September 2008.

**3 Interpretation**

In this order, **referendum** means the citizens initiated referendum to be held on the question: “Should a smack as part of good parental correction be a criminal offence in New Zealand?”

**4 Referendum must be conducted by postal voting**

The referendum must be conducted by postal voting.

**5 Closing of referendum roll**

The date for the closing of the referendum roll for the referendum is Friday 10 July 2009.

**6 Closing of voting period**

The date for the closing of the voting period for the referendum is Friday 21 August 2009.

Rebecca Kitteridge,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

### **Explanatory note**

*This note is not part of the order, but is intended to indicate its general effect.*

This order, which comes into force on 26 September 2008, applies the Referenda (Postal Voting) Act 2000 to the referendum to be held on the question: “Should a smack as part of good parental correction be a criminal offence in New Zealand?” The referendum will accordingly be conducted by postal voting.

The order also appoints the date for the closing of the referendum roll and the closing of the voting period.

The referendum roll will close on Friday 10 July 2009.

The voting period will start on 31 July 2009 and end at 7 pm on Friday 21 August 2009.

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**Notes****1 *General***

This is a reprint of the Referenda (Postal Voting) Order 2008. The reprint incorporates all the amendments to the order as at 12 May 2011, as specified in the list of amendments at the end of these notes.

Relevant provisions of any amending enactments that contain transitional, savings, or application provisions that cannot be compiled in the reprint are also included, after the principal enactment, in chronological order. For more information, see <http://www.pco.parliament.govt.nz/reprints/>.

**2 *Status of reprints***

Under section 16D of the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989, reprints are presumed to correctly state, as at the date of the reprint, the law enacted by the principal enactment and by the amendments to that enactment. This presumption applies even though editorial changes authorised by section 17C of the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989 have been made in the reprint.

This presumption may be rebutted by producing the official volumes of statutes or statutory regulations in which the principal enactment and its amendments are contained.

**3 *How reprints are prepared***

A number of editorial conventions are followed in the preparation of reprints. For example, the enacting words are not included in Acts, and provisions that are repealed or revoked

are omitted. For a detailed list of the editorial conventions, see <http://www.pco.parliament.govt.nz/editorial-conventions/> or Part 8 of the *Tables of New Zealand Acts and Ordinances and Statutory Regulations and Deemed Regulations in Force*.

#### **4 Changes made under section 17C of the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989**

Section 17C of the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989 authorises the making of editorial changes in a reprint as set out in sections 17D and 17E of that Act so that, to the extent permitted, the format and style of the reprinted enactment is consistent with current legislative drafting practice. Changes that would alter the effect of the legislation are not permitted. A new format of legislation was introduced on 1 January 2000. Changes to legislative drafting style have also been made since 1997, and are ongoing. To the extent permitted by section 17C of the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989, all legislation reprinted after 1 January 2000 is in the new format for legislation and reflects current drafting practice at the time of the reprint.

In outline, the editorial changes made in reprints under the authority of section 17C of the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989 are set out below, and they have been applied, where relevant, in the preparation of this reprint:

- omission of unnecessary referential words (such as “of this section” and “of this Act”)
- typeface and type size (Times Roman, generally in 11.5 point)
- layout of provisions, including:
  - indentation
  - position of section headings (eg, the number and heading now appear above the section)
- format of definitions (eg, the defined term now appears in bold type, without quotation marks)
- format of dates (eg, a date formerly expressed as “the 1st day of January 1999” is now expressed as “1 January 1999”)

- position of the date of assent (it now appears on the front page of each Act)
- punctuation (eg, colons are not used after definitions)
- Parts numbered with roman numerals are replaced with arabic numerals, and all cross-references are changed accordingly
- case and appearance of letters and words, including:
  - format of headings (eg, headings where each word formerly appeared with an initial capital letter followed by small capital letters are amended so that the heading appears in bold, with only the first word (and any proper nouns) appearing with an initial capital letter)
  - small capital letters in section and subsection references are now capital letters
- schedules are renumbered (eg, Schedule 1 replaces First Schedule), and all cross-references are changed accordingly
- running heads (the information that appears at the top of each page)
- format of two-column schedules of consequential amendments, and schedules of repeals (eg, they are rearranged into alphabetical order, rather than chronological).

**5** *List of amendments incorporated in this reprint  
(most recent first)*

Regulatory Reform (Revocations) Order 2011 (SR 2011/99): clause 3

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