Local Authorities Elections Ordinance

Form "A"

(Regulation 3)

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Application to be treated as a Postal Voter

To: The Returning Officer of the ..... Local Authority area.
(Give the name of the Local Authority)

I, ... holder of the
(Name)
National Identity Card No. [ ] hereby declare that my name appears as

..... in the register of electors in force for the above mentioned local authority area.

The particulars of my registration in the current operative electoral register of the Local Authorities

Administrative District :	Local Authority Name:
Number and name of Ward :	Polling District Number and Letter :
Grama Niladhari Division Name:	Street/ Village Name:
Serial Number of My Name:	
Chief Occupant's Name:	

I hereby apply to be treated as a Postal Voter at the election of members for the above mentioned local authority, because I am unable*/ likely to be unable to vote in person at the polling station allotted to me -

*(1) *(a) by reason of the particular circumstances of my employment;

*(b) as an officer or servant in the Department of Police / Department of Prisons / Sri Lanka Government Railway / Department of Posts / Department of Telecommunications / Sri Lanka Central Transport Board / ..... Regional Transport Board ;

*(c) as an officer or servant in the public service appointed / likely to be appointed for duties connected with the election ;

*(d) as an officer or servant of the Central Bank of Sri Lanka appointed / likely to be appointed for duties connected with such election;

*(2) by reason of my candidature in ..... the local authority;
(Give name of the local authority)

Address to which my Ballot Paper and other documents should be sent is given below :-

If the applicant is not entitled to function as a Certifying Officer in accordance with the note appearing below, state the name, official designation and address of applicant's Certifying Officer. .....

If the applicant is entitled to function as a Certifying Officer, state applicant's official designation and address. .....

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Signature of the Applicant

Telephone No : Official :..... Designation : .....

Private :..... Official Address : .....

Date : .....

It is essential to complete **the overleaf certificate** by the head of the Office/ Institution/ Principal of the School **to satisfy the certifying officer with the identity of the applicant, when the applicant is not serving in the office / institution or in the same school of the Certifying Officer.** (eg. In case of the teachers, the Principal of the respective school should complete this portion when the Zonal Director of Education is the Certifying Officer.)

1. I have ascertained that the applicant is eligible to vote by post.
2. I hereby certify that I am*/ the applicant who has furnished the particulars of this application is unable to vote at the polling station*/ unlikely to vote in person at the polling station allotted to me*/ him.
3. My official designation and the address given in this application are correct.
(Before certifying the application, the Certifying Officer should satisfy himself of the identity of the applicant by referring to his National Identity Card or other identity document or through the certification overleaf of the Head of the Office/ Institution/ the Principal of the School).

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**Signature of the Certifying Officer

Date :.....

Official Frank :

Name : .....

Designation : .....

N.I.C. No. : [ ]

Telephone - Official : .....

Private : .....

*(Delete inapplicable words.)

** Applicant can place his signature on this place, when he himself is the certifying officer.

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To the Certifying Officer,

I certify that Mr./ Mrs./ Miss ...., holder of the National Identity Card No. | | | | | | | | | | | | who has furnished the particulars overleaf to vote by post, is serving in my office/ institution/ branch/ school.

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Signature
Head of the office/ institution/ branch/
Principal of the School of the Applicant

Official Address : .....

Telephone No : Official .....

Private .....

Name : .....

Designation : .....

Note

1. Every Application shall be made through the certifying officer to the returning officer of the electoral area where the applicant is registered as an elector within ten days after the date of publication of the notice of nomination under section 26 of the Ordinance together with the recommendation of his/ her immediate head of the institution.

2. Every application shall be duty filled in as otherwise it is liable to rejection by the returning officer.

3. Every applicant will be informed of the decision of the returning officer.

4. The ballot paper and other documents of any applicant, whose application has been allowed, will be dispatched to his name and address as stated in his application, if he is entitled to function as a certifying officer or if he is not so entitled, under the care of the certifying officer whose official designation and address are stated in his application.

5. The expression "certifying officer" :

   (a) in relation to any applicant who, being a member of the Sri Lanka Army or Sri Lanka Navy or Sri Lanka Air Force ;

      (i) is the Commander of that Army or the Captain of that Navy or the Commander of that Air Force or is the officer in immediate charge of the unit or establishment in which the applicant is serving, means the applicant ; or

      (ii) is not a person referred to in clause (i) of this subparagraph, means the officer in immediate charge of the unit or establishment in which the applicant is serving.

   (b) in relation to any applicant who, being an officer or servant in the public service or the Central Bank of Ceylon,

      (i) is the officer in immediate charge of any office means the applicant ; or

      (ii) is not a person referred to in clause (i) of this subparagraph, means the officer in immediate charge of the office in which the applicant is serving ; or

   (c) in relation to any applicant who is a candidate at a Local Government Election, means the Returning Officer for the electoral area in which the applicant is registered as an elector.

Instructions

1. The applicant should be eligible, under Section 39(B)(2) of the Local Authorities Elections Ordinance (Chapter 262) to be treated as a Postal Voter.

2. It is necessary to mention in the appropriate space in the application, the name of the applicant as shown in the relevant Electoral Register.

3. The application will be rejected if the details shown in the application do not tally with the Electoral Register.

4. The absence of the relevant Certifying Officer's signature, official seal and non-receipt of the application by the Returning Officer of the local authority area on or before the closing date will be grounds for rejection of the application.

5. The applicant should ensure that he personally completes the application.

6. The applicant should, before he extracts his details from the relevant Electoral Register, be satisfied that the details refer to the house in which his family members are registered as electors. If not an applicant can enter details of a person whose name resembles or similar to the name of the applicant. If the Returning Officer allows such application, the person whose name has been given in the application will be deprived of his vote. However, persons who erroneously apply to vote by post shall be guilty of a punishable offence.

7. A person who applies to vote by post in the name of a living or a dead person, or a fictitious person or in the name of another person commits an offence of personation under Section 82 A of the Local Authorities Elections Ordinance (Chapter 232) and becomes liable for punishment under the Code of Criminal Procedure Act, No. 15 of 1979.