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NATIONAL REGISTRATION ACT
(CHAPTER 201)

NATIONAL REGISTRATION (AMENDMENT)
REGULATIONS 2017

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 19 of the National Registration Act, the Minister for Home Affairs makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations are the National Registration (Amendment) Regulations 2017 and come into operation on 1 January 2018.

Amendment of regulation 4

2. Regulation 4 of the National Registration Regulations (Rg 2) (called in these Regulations the principal Regulations) is amended —

(a) by deleting the words “or 14A” and substituting the words “, 14A or 14B” in paragraph (1);

(b) by deleting sub-paragraph (a) of paragraph (1) and substituting the following sub-paragraph:

“(a) subject to paragraph (3), provide to the registration officer an unmounted photograph that complies with the specifications set out in the National Registration (Photographs) Regulations 2017 (G.N. No. S 742/2017);” and

(c) by inserting, immediately after paragraph (2), the following paragraph:

“(3) A person is not required to submit an unmounted photograph under paragraph (1)(a) if the person has, within 3 months immediately preceding the date of the application mentioned in paragraph (1), submitted a photograph under regulation 3(1)(b) of the Passports Regulations 2007 (G.N. No. S 651/2007) that complies with regulation 3(2) of those Regulations.”.

Amendment of regulation 8

3. Regulation 8 of the principal Regulations is amended by inserting, immediately after paragraph (4), the following paragraph:

“(5) For the purposes of this regulation, a reference to a person required to be registered under the Act includes a reference to a person permitted to re-register under regulation 14B.”.

New regulation 14B

4. The principal Regulations are amended by inserting, immediately after regulation 14A, the following regulation:

“Optional re-registration for persons born before 1 January 1962

14B.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), any person who —

(a) has been registered under the Act; and

(b) is born before 1 January 1962,

may apply for re-registration in accordance with these Regulations.

(2) Where a person mentioned in paragraph (1) receives a written notification from the Commissioner inviting that person to apply for re-registration under that paragraph within a period of one year after the date of that notification (called in this regulation the specified period), that person may only apply for re-registration —

(a) in any case where that person resides outside Singapore during the whole of the specified period,

within one year after that person's return to Singapore;
or

(b) in any other case, within the specified period.

(3) Paragraphs (1) and (2) do not apply to a person who has been issued with an identity card or a replacement identity card on or after 1 January 2008.

(4) A person who applies for re-registration under paragraph (2)(a) must report to a registration officer before making the application.

(5) To avoid doubt, a person mentioned in paragraph (1), (2) or (4) is not a person required to re-register, or to be re-registered, under the Act.”.

Amendment of regulation 23

5. The principal Regulations are amended by renumbering regulation 23 as paragraph (1) of that regulation, and by inserting immediately thereafter the following paragraph:

“(2) For the purposes of this regulation, a reference to a person required to be registered under the Act includes a reference to a person permitted to re-register under regulation 14B.”.

Amendment of Schedule

6. The Schedule to the principal Regulations is amended by deleting the words “or 14A” in items 1(b) and 2(b) and substituting in each case the words “, 14A or 14B”.

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