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NATIONAL REGISTRATION ACT  
(CHAPTER 201)

NATIONAL REGISTRATION  
(AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2020

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 2020 and come into operation on 1 October 2020.

**Amendment of regulation 3**

2. Regulation 3 of the National Registration Regulations (Rg 2) (called in these Regulations the principal Regulations) is amended —

(a) by deleting paragraphs (1) and (2) and substituting the following paragraph:

“(1) Subject to paragraph (3), a person who is required to register under the Act —

(a) may apply for registration in accordance with these Regulations at any time within the year that the person attains the age of 15 years; and

(b) must apply for registration in accordance with these Regulations within one year after attaining the age of 15 years (called in this regulation the specified period).”;

(b) by deleting the words “the period specified in paragraph (1) shall, within one year after his return to Singapore, report to a registration officer and” in

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paragraph (3) and substituting the words “the specified period must, within one year after the person’s return to Singapore,”; and

- (c) by deleting the words “report to a registration officer and” in paragraph (5).

### **New regulation 4A**

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

#### **“Authorisation for proxies**

4A. A person required to make an application or a report mentioned in regulation 3(1), 9(1), 10(1), 11(1), 14(1) or 14A(1) or who wishes to apply for re-registration under regulation 14B(1), may authorise another person to make the application or report mentioned in that regulation on behalf of the firstmentioned person.”.

### **Amendment of regulation 9**

4. Regulation 9 of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting paragraph (1) and substituting the following paragraphs:

“(1) Subject to paragraph (1A), where an identity card is lost, destroyed or so defaced that any particulars on the identity card are no longer decipherable, the person to whom the card relates must, within 14 days after the date on which the person becomes aware of that fact, report that fact and apply for a replacement identity card, in the form and manner required by the Commissioner.

(1A) If the person mentioned in paragraph (1) is resident outside Singapore at the time that the identity card is lost, destroyed or defaced, the person must, in the form and manner required by the Commissioner —

- (a) report the loss, destruction or defacement of the identity card within 14 days after the date on which the person becomes aware of that fact; and

- (b) apply for a replacement identity card within 14 days after the person's return to Singapore.”.

### **Amendment of regulation 11**

5. Regulation 11 of the principal Regulations is amended —

- (a) by inserting, immediately after the word “form” in paragraph (1), the words “and manner”;
- (b) by deleting the words “and shall be completed and returned to the Commissioner” in paragraph (1); and
- (c) by deleting paragraph (3) and substituting the following paragraph:

“(3) Where the Commissioner amends the register in relation to a person's residence after receiving a report of change of residence under section 8 of the Act, the Commissioner must send to the person a label stating the new residence (called in these Regulations a new address label) for affixing on the person's identity card, or cause a new address label to be affixed on the person's identity card.”.

### **New regulation 11A**

6. The principal Regulations are amended by inserting, immediately after regulation 11, the following regulation:

#### **“Affixing of new address label on identity card**

**11A.** A person who has received a new address label under regulation 11(3) must, as soon as practicable after receiving the new address label, affix it, or cause it to be affixed, on the person's identity card.”.

### **Amendment of regulation 14**

7. Regulation 14 of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting paragraph (3) and substituting the following paragraph:

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- “(3) Where a person mentioned in paragraph (1) —
- (a) proves to the satisfaction of the Commissioner that the person will be resident outside of Singapore during the whole of the specified period — the person may apply for re-registration in accordance with these Regulations at any time within the period of one year immediately before the date on which the person attains the age of 30 years; or
  - (b) resides outside Singapore during the whole of the specified period — the person must, within one year after the person’s return to Singapore, apply for re-registration in accordance with these Regulations.”.

#### **Amendment of regulation 14A**

8. Regulation 14A of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting paragraph (3) and substituting the following paragraph:

- “(3) Where a person mentioned in paragraph (1) —
- (a) proves to the satisfaction of the Commissioner that the person will be resident outside of Singapore during the whole of the specified period — the person may apply for re-registration in accordance with these Regulations at any time within the period of one year immediately before the date on which the person attains the age of 55 years; or
  - (b) resides outside Singapore during the whole of the specified period — the person must, within one year after the person’s return to Singapore, apply for re-registration in accordance with these Regulations.”.

#### **Amendment of regulation 14B**

9. Regulation 14B of the principal Regulations is amended —

- (a) by deleting paragraph (4); and

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(b) by deleting the words “, (2) or (4)” in paragraph (5) and substituting the words “or (2)”.

### **Amendment of regulation 20**

**10.** Regulation 20 of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting paragraph (a) and substituting the following paragraph:

“(a) in any application or report (as the case may be) under regulation 3(1), (3) or (5), 9(1), 10(1), 11(1), 14, 14A or 14B, whether made on his own behalf or on behalf of another, makes any statement or gives any information which is false in any material particular, and which he either knows or believes to be false or does not believe to be true;”.

### **Amendment of regulation 22**

**11.** Regulation 22(1) of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting sub-paragraph (c) and substituting the following sub-paragraph:

“(c) any person who is authorised or permitted to remain in Singapore by virtue of a pass issued under the Immigration Act (Cap. 133);”.

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