

PUBLIC ELECTIONS (JERSEY) LAW 2002

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES FOR ELECTION AND FOR PROPOSERS AND SECONDRS OF CANDIDATES

1. The Public Elections (Jersey) Law 2002 regulates the election to the offices of Senator, Connétable, Deputy, Centenier and Procureur du Bien Public.
2. Candidates for election to the office of Senator, Connétable, and Deputy must complete a Nomination Document which includes the Political Party Declaration.
3. Candidates for election to the office of Centenier and Procureur du Bien Public must complete a Nomination Document (excluding Political Party Declaration).
4. The electoral district for the election is as follows:
 - a. The Island of Jersey for the office of Senator
 - b. The Parish for the office of Connétable, Centenier and Procureur du Bien Public
 - c. For the office of Deputy
 - i. Parishes of St Clement, Grouville, St John, St Lawrence, St Martin, St Mary, St Ouën, St Peter and Trinity
 - ii. Districts 1 and 2 St Brelade; Districts 1, 2 and 3 St Helier; and Districts 1, 2 and 3 St Saviour.
5. Candidates for election to the office of Senator and Deputy must also complete the Declaration of convictions under the States of Jersey Law 2005.
6. The proposer and seconders must all be entitled under Article 2(1), (2) or (3) of the Public Elections (Jersey) Law 2002 to vote for the candidate they nominate in any poll held for the election (see below).
7. The Public Elections (Expenditure and Donations) (Jersey) Regulations 2008 limits the amount that candidates can spend when standing for election to the States as a Senator, Connétable or Deputy. The Regulations may be viewed on the Jersey Legal Information Board website www.jerseylaw.je and an explanatory leaflet is available from the States Greffe (Tel: 441020).

ELECTION MATERIALS – the Transport and Technical Services Department (Tel: 445509) has requirements and guidelines regarding the placing of election materials on the highway and on road signs. Please ensure you follow these requirements and guidelines.

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ARTICLE 2 Entitlement to vote

2(1) A person is entitled to vote in an election of a Connétable, Centenier, or Procureur du Bien Public, of a parish if the name of the person is on the electoral register for an electoral district within the parish, being the register in force for the election.

2(2) A person is entitled to vote in an election of one or more Deputies of an electoral district if the name of the person is on the electoral register for the electoral district, being the register in force for the election.

2(3) A person is entitled to vote in an election of a Senator if the name of the person is on the electoral register for any electoral district, being the register in force for the election.

STATES OF JERSEY LAW 2005

ARTICLE 7 Qualification for election as Senator or Deputy

(1) A person shall, unless disqualified by paragraph (2) or Article 8(1) or any other enactment, be qualified for election as a Senator or a Deputy if he or she –

- (a) is of full age; and
- (b) is a British citizen who has been –
 - (i) ordinarily resident in Jersey for a period of at least 2 years up to and including the day of the election, or

(ii) ordinarily resident in Jersey for a period of 6 months up to and including the day of the election, as well as having been ordinarily resident in Jersey at any time for an additional period of, or for additional periods that total, at least 5 years.

(2) A person shall be disqualified for election as a Senator or Deputy if he or she is a paid officer, other than an industrial or manual worker, in the full-time service of the States or any administration of the States.

(3) A retiring Senator or Deputy who is not disqualified by this Law or any other enactment shall be eligible for re-election.

ARTICLE 8 Disqualification for office as Senator or Deputy

(1) A person shall be disqualified for election as or for being a Senator or Deputy if that person –

- (a) holds any paid office or other place of profit under the Crown;
- (b) is a member of the States of Jersey Police Force;
- (c) is compulsorily detained or subject to a guardianship order under the Mental Health (Jersey) Law 1969;
- (d) has a curator of his or her person or property;
- (e) has an attorney without whom he or she may not act in matters movable or immovable;
- (f) subject to paragraphs (3) and (4), has become bankrupt or made a composition or arrangement with his or her creditors;
- (g) has been convicted of an offence under the Corruption (Jersey) Law 2006 by virtue of that person being, within the meaning of that Law, a public official or a member, officer or employee of a public body; or
- (h) within the 7 years immediately preceding the date of his or her election, or since his or her election, has been convicted, whether in Jersey or elsewhere, of any offence and ordered to be imprisoned for a period of not less than 3 months, without the option of a fine.

(2) A person shall be disqualified for being a Senator or Deputy upon –

- (a) ceasing to be a British citizen; or
- (b) not being resident in Jersey for a period of more than 6 months.

(3) The disqualification attaching to a person by reason of his or her having become bankrupt shall cease –

- (a) if the person pays his or her debts in full on or before the conclusion of the bankruptcy proceedings, on the day the proceedings are concluded;
- (b) in any other case, on the expiry of 5 years from the day the proceedings are concluded.

(4) The disqualification attaching to a person by reason of his or her having made a composition or arrangement with his or her creditors shall cease –

- (a) if the person pays his or her debts in full, on the day on which the payment is completed;
- (b) in any other case, on the expiry of 5 years from the day on which the terms of the composition or arrangement are fulfilled.

CONNÉTABLE and PROCUREUR DU BIEN PUBLIC – a person standing for election must be resident in the Parish in which they are a candidate; however the Parish of St. Helier (Qualifications for Office) (Jersey) Law 1976 permits persons who are ratepayers of the Parish to be eligible even if they do not live in the Parish of St Helier.

CENTENIER - a person standing for election must not, on the day of nomination, be less than 20 years of age or have attained 70 years of age (Honorary Police (Jersey) Regulations 2005) and must be resident in the Parish in which they are a candidate (but see also Honorary Police (Parochial Domicile) (Jersey) Law 1999); however the Parish of St. Helier (Qualifications for Office) (Jersey) Law 1976 permits persons who are ratepayers of the Parish to be eligible even if they do not live in the Parish of St Helier.

PUBLIC ELECTIONS (JERSEY) LAW 2002 - NOMINATION DOCUMENT

Nomination of candidate for office of Centenier or Procureur du Bien Public.

Please use one form for each candidate.

This form is not complete unless each of the 10 signatures is accompanied by the name of the person whose signature it is, plus the name of the electoral district (including the name of the parish) in respect of which the person is registered, and the elector number shown on the electoral register for the person.

We, the undersigned, being electors of [constituency] nominate [full name]
 [address] [electoral district/parish]
 [elector number of candidate] as a candidate for the office of [office in that constituency] this day
 of 20.....

	Signature	Full name	Address	Electoral District/Parish	Electoral Number
Proposer					
Seconder					
Seconder					
Seconder					
Seconder					
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The proposer and seconders must all be entitled under Article 2(1), (2) or (3) of the Public Elections (Jersey) Law 2002 to vote for the candidate they nominate in any poll held for the election.

The details you provide will be processed by the Parishes and by the Judicial Greffe in accordance with the Data Protection (Jersey) Law 2005 for the purposes of the Public Elections (Jersey) Law 2002, and will not be further used or disclosed without your consent.