

Application Form

Register of Political Parties

(Sections 41-55 of the Electoral Reform Act 2022)

Before completing this form refer to the Electoral Act 2022 and to the Guidelines for Applicants

This form is to be used by Parties applying for registration and by Parties applying for an amendment of the Register.

*This form may also be used by Parties notifying changes of authorised officers or changes of address (please tick as appropriate)*

8 June 2023

**Application for Registration**  ☐

Parties applying for registration must:

* Complete all sections of Part A (other than optional sections denoted by an asterisk).
* Indicate all relevant particulars in Part B concerning the party’s eligibility for registration.
* Include with this application form the additional documentation sought in Part B
* Complete and sign the declaration in Part C.

**Application for Amendment of Register** ☐

Parties applying for an amendment of the register must:

* Indicate the particular or particulars in respect of which the amendment is sought (tick as appropriate):

Name ☐

Emblem ☐

Types of Election ☐

Part of the State ☐

Group in European Parliament ☐

Accounting Units ☐

* Enter the name of the party in section 1 of Part A and complete only those other sections of Part A in respect of which an amendment is sought.
* Indicate any material change to the particulars in Part B concerning the party’s eligibility for registration.
* Complete and sign the declaration in Part C.

**Notification of change of Address of Party or change of Authorised Officers** ☐

*No formal amendment is required in respect of a change of the address of a party or a change in the name(s) of an authorised officer(s) of a party. However, this form may be used for the purpose of notifying any such change.*

Parties notifying a change of the address of a party or the name(s) of an authorised officer(s) of a party:

* Indicate below the particulars in respect of which the change has occurred (tick as appropriate):

Address ☐

Authorised Officers ☐

* Enter the new address of the party in Section 3 of Part A and/or enter the name(s) of all authorised officer(s) of the party (including those which have not changed) in Section 4 of Part A (other sections in respect of which there is no change should be left blank).
* Complete and sign the declaration in Part C.

**PART A**

The following particulars are required to be entered in the Register in respect of each Party (an asterisk \* denotes optional particulars).

**1. Name**

Full name of the party (not exceeding six words):

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Any abbreviation or acronym to be registered with name of the party:

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Please note that if the party to be registered as being organised to contest an election in part of the State only, its name must include a reference to the part of the State in question to distinguish it as so operating.

**2. Emblem \***

Is the emblem of the party to be registered? Yes ☐ No ☐

**3. Address**

Address of the party’s headquarters:

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**4. Authorised Officers.**

Name(s) of the Officer(s) of the party authorised to sign certificates authenticating the candidature of candidates of the party at elections:

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Note: If more than one signature is required to authenticate the candidature of a candidate, please indicate as follows:

Any 1 ☐ Any 2 ☐ All/Both ☐

Other combination (indicate clearly by number, “1 and either 2 or 3”, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**5. Types of Election**

Please indicate the type or types of elections which the party is organised to contest (Refer also to PART B of this form):

Dáil Election ☐ European Election ☐ Local Election ☐

**6. Part of the State**

Is the party to be registered as being organised to contest an election in part of the State only? (Refer also to PART B of this form):

Yes ☐ No ☐

If Yes, please specify that part: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**7. Group in European Parliament**

Name of Political Group in the European Parliament/European Political Party:

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**8. Details of Accounting Units and Responsible Persons**

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| Accounting Unit | | Responsible Person(s)  in each Accounting Unit | |
| Name | Address | Name | Address |
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**PART B**

**The following particulars are required to establish that a Party is eligible to be entered in the Register.** (See guidelines for requirements)

**9. Basis for Registration**

On what basis is the party applying for registration? (tick as appropriate)

**(a) All Parties:**

(i) organised to contest elections of the type or types specified at Nos. 5 and 6 in Part A ☐

**and**

(ii) the organisation and direction of the party are governed by a constitution, memorandum of association or rules (or similar) which have been adopted by the party ☐

**and**

(iii) the constitution, memorandum of association or rules (or similar) provide for an annual or other periodic meeting or conference of the party ☐

**and**

(iv) the conduct of the business of the party by an executive committee (or similar) elected by the party ☐

Please include the following documents, **certified by a member of the party executive**:

Written rules or constitution of the party ☐

Minutes of the meeting where the executive committee referred to at 9(a)(iii) above was elected ☐

Minutes of the meeting where the written rules or constitution was adopted by the party ☐

**(b) Parties applying for registration in respect of Dáil elections and European elections in all of the State:**

(i) Having not less than 300 recorded members aged 18 years or over of whom at least fifty per cent are registered in the register of electors ☐

Please **include** a list of recorded members **certified** by a statutory auditor (one entitled to audit company accounts) ☐

**or**

(ii) Having at least one member who is:

A member of the Dáil – Name of member: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ☐

**or**

A representative in the European Parliament

Name of member: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ☐

Please include **certification of party membership** from the TD or MEP **named as a separate enclosure** ☐

**(c) Parties (other than Parties applying for registration at (b) above)—**

**(1) applying for registration in respect of local elections only (whether in the State as a whole or part of it)**

**OR**

**(2) applying for registration to contest elections in part of the State only (whether local elections, Dáil elections, or European elections, or some combination of them):**

1. Having not less than 100 recorded members aged 18 years or over of whom at least fifty per cent are registered in the register of electors ☐

Please **include** a list of recorded members **certified** by a statutory auditor (one entitled to audit company accounts) ☐

**Or**

**(ii)** A party applying in respect of local elections and having at least three members who are members of a local authority ☐

Names of members: 1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 3.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Please include **certification of party membership** from **each** local authority member named as a **separate enclosure** ☐

**Or**

**(iii)** Having at least one member who is-

A member of the Dáil

(Name of member :\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_) ☐

**or**

A representative in the European Parliament

(Name of member: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_) ☐

Please include **certification of party membership** from the TD or MEP named **as a separate enclosure** ☐

**PART C**

**The following declaration must be completed and signed by the member of the Party applying for the registration of the Party.**

**10. Authentication/Declaration**

I declare that I am a member of the above party and that I am (tick as appropriate)

• Applying for registration ☐

• Applying for an amendment of registered particulars ☐

• Notifying a change of Authorised Officers or change of address ☐

on behalf of and with the consent of the party referred to in Section 1 of Part A and that the information which I have given above is correct to the best of my knowledge.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Status/Official Position/Title within party: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

The completed form and all supporting documentation should be returned to:

Chief Executive, Registrar of Political Parties,

An Coimisiún Toghcháin, the Electoral Commission,

Dublin Castle,

Dublin 2.

Email: [info@electoralcommission.ie](mailto:info@electoralcommission.ie)