

(3) For the purpose of the said first election the Governor shall as soon as practicable after the date of the commencement of these Our Letters Patent cause lists of voters resident in each such electoral district at that date to be compiled in accordance with the existing electoral laws of the Colony, and the lists so compiled shall constitute the register of voters for the said first election.

6. Subject to the provisions of the last preceding section the registration of voters, the preparation of lists of voters, the nomination of candidates, the conduct of elections and the hearing of election petitions shall be carried out in accordance with the existing electoral laws of the Colony, or any laws amending or substituted for the same hereafter to be passed by the Legislature constituted by these Our Letters Patent.

7. There shall be a biennial registration of voters in every electoral district commencing not later than the last day of December in the year next but one after the commencement of the last preceding registration, and so on during each successive biennial period.

8. Upon the completion of the voters' lists made in pursuance of the first biennial, and thereafter of every alternate biennial, registration it shall be lawful for the Legislature by an Act to be passed for that purpose if required by the growth or distribution of the population to redivide Southern Rhodesia into electoral districts for the purpose of the election of Members of the Legislative Assembly, and by such Act to determine the number of Members to be returned for each such electoral district.

9. Any redivision of the Colony made as aforesaid shall come into operation at the next general election held after the completion of the redivision, and not earlier.

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