

# REQUIREMENTS FOR CHIEF ELECTION AGENTS AND ELECTION AGENTS

## 1. CHIEF ELECTION AGENTS

### Presidential Election

In the case of a Presidential Election, no later than forty-eight hours before polling day a Presidential candidate may appoint:

- a. Two National Chief Election Agents;
- b. One Provincial Chief Election Agent for each Province; and
- c. One Constituency Chief Election Agent for each constituency.

And shall forthwith notify in writing the full names and the addresses of the persons so appointed to the Chief Elections Officer

### Constituency and Ward Elections

- Before nomination, on or after nomination day but no later than **seven days** before polling day a candidate may appoint one and only one person to be his/her Chief Election Agent. The candidate must notify the full names and address of his or her chief election agent to the Constituency Elections Officer.
- If a candidate revokes the appointment of a Chief Election Agent or if the Chief Election Agent dies the Candidate may appoint another Chief Election Agent and must notify the Constituency Elections Officer not later than 3 days before polling day of the new appointment and the full names and address of such chief election agent.
- Any two designated National or Provincial office-bearers of a political party may, on behalf of its candidates contesting in any constituency or ward within a province submit lists of chief election agents and the candidates they represent to the Provincial Chief Elections Officer. This must be done not later than twelve days before polling day. The Provincial Elections Officer will then distribute the lists to every constituency elections officer in the Province concerned.

## 2. ELECTION AGENTS

Not later than three days before polling day the Chief Election Agents may appoint one or more persons to be election agents and must forthwith notify in writing the full names and address of every election agent so appointed to the constituency elections officer in the case of Constituency and ward elections and to the Chief Elections Officer in the case of the Presidential Election.

Of the Election Agents appointed:

- One shall be entitled to be present in each polling station in the constituency in which the candidate is standing for election; and
- Two shall be entitled to be present in the immediate vicinity of each such polling station. Either one of the two election agents in the immediate vicinity of the polling station may relieve the election agent entitled to be present in the polling station

Where more than one election is to be held concurrently the Commission may by Notice in the Gazette published not later than four days after nomination day prescribe that in relation to candidates nominated by political parties, only three election agents representing each political party may be present within or in the immediate vicinity of each polling station. Of these three

- One shall be entitled to be present in the polling station concerned;
- The other two shall be entitled to be present in the immediate vicinity of the polling station concerned and may relieve the election agent entitled to be present in the polling station.

Note: this provision, however does not apply to election agents of a candidate for election as President.

**Note: All Chief Election Agents and Election Agents shall be issued with an accreditation card and shall be required to exhibit such Accreditation cards at all times.**

Anything done by an election agent shall be deemed to have been done by the Chief Election Agent.