

**Comparison Between
Village Representative Election
(Registration of Electors)(Appeals) Regulation
 (“the Regulation”)
and
Registration of Electors (Appeals) Regulation (Cap 542, sub. leg. B)
 (“REAR”)**

Provision in the Regulation	Similar Provision in the REAR	Comparison
<i>Section/Heading</i>	<i>Section</i>	
1 - Interpretation	1	Similar. All references to “Legislative Council”, “District Council”, “FC (functional constituency) Registration Regulation”, “corporate elector”, “functional constituencies register”, “GC (geographical constituencies) Registration Regulation”, “geographical constituencies register” and “notice of appeal” which are not applicable in the context of the village representative (VR) election have been deleted or suitably adapted.
2 – Fixing a hearing date and notifying the applicant	2	Similar except that – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● All references to “a notice of appeal”, which is not applicable in the context of the VR elections, have been deleted.
3 - Disposal of appeal	2 (5)	Similar.

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<p>4 - <i>Revising Officers notify parties of outcome of appeal</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">3</p>	<p>Similar, save that –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● a “notification” under this section may also be sent by “facsimile transmission” to allow more time for parties to apply for a review of the Revising Officer’s ruling under section 4(4) such that the Revising Officer’s final ruling could be given effect in the final register of the current cycle; ● parties to be notified of the Revising Officer’s ruling to include “the legal practitioner who represented the party at the hearing” or “the authorized representative of the party concerned”; ● new section 4(4) to provide for a review arrangement whereby the relevant parties may apply for a review of the ruling made by the Revising Officer under section 3(2) not later than 2 days after the date the “notification” is sent; and ● new section 4(5) to enable the Electoral Registration Officer to specify the form in which an application under section 4(4) shall be made.
<p>5 – <i>Electoral Registration Officer to be notified of rulings</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">4</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Similar</p>
<p>6 - <i>Determination of matters and powers of adjournment, etc</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">5</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Similar</p>
<p>7 - <i>Review of rulings by Revising Officer</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">6</p>	<p>Similar, except that the Revising Officer may also, on application under section 4(4) by an appellant or a person in respect of whom an objection is made, review his earlier ruling and, for that purpose, rehear the matter wholly or in part and reverse or confirm his previous ruling.</p>

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8 - <i>Approval of Revising Officer in relation to Electoral Registration Officer's proposal</i>	7	Similar
9 - <i>Revising Officer may require Electoral Registration Officer to provide information</i>	8	Similar.
10 – <i>Revising Officer is required to determine forms, appropriate person and mode of service when exercising his powers</i>	-	New section to enable the Revising Officer to determine the forms, appropriate person to serve and the mode of service of a summons when exercising his powers.