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[PROVINCIAL NOTICE NO. 03 2021]**ELECTORAL COMMISSION****ELECTION TIMETABLE**

The Electoral Commission hereby gives notice that it has in terms of section 11 of the Local Government: Municipal Electoral Act, 2000, compiled the election timetable set out below to apply to the municipal by-elections to be held on 19 May 2021 in respect of Ward 25 of Maluti-a-Phofung [FS194] Local Municipality, and Ward 35 of Matjhabeng [FS184] Local Municipality as proclaimed by Provincial Notice number 01 of 2021, as published in the Provincial Gazette No. No.07 of the Free State Province, dated 16 April 2021. A reference to "section" in this election timetable is a reference to that section in the Local Government: Municipal Electoral Act, 2000 (Act No. 27 of 2000).

Cut-off time for act to be performed

- 1 An act required in terms of this Act to be performed by not later than a date in the election timetable must be performed before 17:00 on that date, unless otherwise specified.

Certification of the voters' roll

- 2 By 22 April 2021 chief electoral officer must certify the segments of the voters' roll for the voting districts to be used in the by-elections in terms of section 6(2)(a).

Notice that lists of addresses of voting stations are available for inspection

- 3 By 30 April 2021 the chief electoral officer must give notice that copies of a list of voting stations and their addresses will be available for inspection at the office of the Commission's local representative in terms of section 19(5).

Notice of route of mobile voting stations

- 4 If the Commission decides to use mobile voting stations in the by-elections, the Commission must by 30 April 2021 give notice of the route, including the locations and estimated times of stopping of each mobile voting station in terms of section 22(1).

Cut-off date for nomination of ward candidates to contest an election

- 5 By no later than 28 April 2021 at 17h00, the nomination of a person to contest the by-election in a municipality as a ward candidate must be submitted to the Commission's local representative on a prescribed form and in the prescribed manner in terms of section 17(1).

Cut-off date for compilation and certification of ward candidate lists

- 6 By 03 May 2021 the Commission must compile for each ward a list of ward candidates, certify those lists for that by-election, and keep copies of the lists available at the office of the Commission's local representative in terms of section 18 (1).

Cut-off date for issuing certificates

- 7 By 03 May 2021 the Commission must issue to each ward candidate contesting the by-election, a prescribed certificate in terms of section 18(1)(d).

Application for special vote

- 8 10(1) By no later than 07 May 2021 a voter may apply in terms of Regulation 28B (1) to cast special vote within the voting district where she or he is registered. [Applications for special votes will only be received from 03 May 2021]

(2) On 18 May 2021 voters who had successfully applied to cast their special votes at the voting station, may visit the voting station between 08h00 and 17h00 to cast their special votes.

(3) On 18 May 2021 voting officers must visit voters who had successfully applied to cast their special votes at their places of residence, to afford them the opportunity to cast their votes there.