

GOVERNMENT OF ZAMBIA

STATUTORY INSTRUMENT NO. 62 OF 2016

**The Electoral Process Act, 2016**  
(Act No. 35 of 2016)

**The Electoral Process (Code of Conduct)  
(Enforcement) Regulations, 2016**

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IN EXERCISE of the powers contained in section *one hundred and twenty-five* of the Electoral Process Act, 2016, the following Regulations are made:

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Electoral Process (Code of Conduct) (Enforcement) Regulations, 2016. Title
2. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires, words and expressions have the meaning assigned to them in the Act. Interpretation
3. (1) A person who witnesses a breach of the Code or alleges that a candidate or political party has breached the Code shall notify the Commission of the breach of the Code, in writing. Notification of breach of Code
  - (2) The Commission may, on its own motion, take notice of any breach of the Code.
4. The Commission shall, within forty-eight hours of receipt of a complaint or allegation of breach of the Code, refer the complaint or allegation to the district conflict management committee in the area in which the breach occurs for determination. Referral of complaint or allegation
5. (1) A district conflict management committee shall— Determination of complaint by district conflict management committee
  - (a) upon receipt of a complaint, issue a notice of hearing to the candidate or political party complained against and to the complainant, specifying the date, time and venue of the hearing;
  - (b) attach the written complaint or allegation to the notice issued to the candidate or political party under paragraph (a); and
  - (c) hear the complaint or allegation within twenty-four hours of the receipt of the complaint or allegation.
  - (2) The determination of a matter before a district conflict management committee shall be by consensus and in the absence of that consensus, according to the votes of the majority of the members present and considering the matter.
  - (3) A district conflict management committee shall, at the conclusion of a hearing, evaluate the facts and make recommendations on the matter to the National Conflict Management Committee.
6. (1) The National Conflict Management Committee may, where it considers it necessary, adopt a recommendation made by the district conflict management committee. Review of decision by National Conflict Management Committee

(2) The National Conflict Management Committee shall, after review of the decision of a district conflict management committee, make recommendations on the matter to the Commission within forty-eight hours of the review.

Decision by  
Commission

7. (1) The Commission shall hear a complaint within seventy-two hours of the receipt of the recommendation on the complaint of the National Conflict Management Committee.

(2) The Commission shall afford the parties to the complaint an opportunity to be heard on the recommendations submitted by the National Conflict Management Committee.

(3) The Commission may adopt, modify or vary the recommendation made by the National Conflict Management Committee.

Dis-  
qualification  
of candidate  
or political  
party

8. The Commission shall, where it finds a candidate or political party in breach of the Code, disqualify the candidate or political party from participating as a candidate or political party in an election in the district, constituency or ward concerned.

Made by the Electoral Commission of Zambia this 9th day of August, 2016.

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