

## Credit Reference Agencies

Credit reference agencies use the register to confirm your address, in order to prevent fraud.

## Change of name or address

It is your responsibility to keep your details up to date with us such as new address or change of name.

## Annual Canvass 2017

The new response channels proved very popular in 2017 with 9,846 'no change' responses via all channels, broken down as follows:

Canvass 2017 (New Channels)	
Telephone	2,349
Web	5,369
Text	2,128
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,846</b>



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**REGISTER TO VOTE  
TODAY:**

YOUR VOTE MATTERS



The Electoral Registration Officer makes and keeps two versions of the register of electors for a House of Keys constituency or for the district of a local authority – the full register and the edited (Open) register

### The Full Register

Lists the full names and addresses of everyone who is registered to vote. Only certain people and organisations can have copies of the full register and they can only use it for specified purposes. The law says who can have a copy of the full Register and what they can use it for.

### Edited (Open) Register

This leaves out the names and addresses of people who have asked for them to be excluded from that version. Copies of the Edited Register can be bought by anyone at the General Registry.

### Annual Canvass

Every year the Crown and Elections Unit, on behalf of the Electoral Registration Officer, need to check who lives at each address and update the records of who is eligible to vote and serve on a jury.

Your property will receive a Household Enquiry Form (HEF) which contains the details of the people we have registered at your property. You need to either confirm these details are correct or tell us of any changes. The information provided is used to create the electoral register which is a record of eligible voters.

It is a legal requirement to respond to the annual canvass, even if an individual chooses not to exercise their democratic right to vote.

### How to respond to your Household Enquiry Form (HEF)

All properties must respond to the HEF even if there is no change to the information. Please respond as soon as possible to avoid the need to send reminders.

Starting in 2017 if there was 'No Change' to your household's details you could respond via new channels (online, telephone or text) following the instructions on the HEF.

The 2018 Canvass will allow for 'Changes' to be made to your household details through online, telephone or Text channels

If you cannot use one of these automated options, you can post your form back to us in the pre-paid envelope provided. If you respond online, by phone or Text please do not return the HEF.

### Why Register to Vote?

You must be registered in order to vote and have a chance to have a say on who represents you, or stand as a candidate for a House of Keys or Local Authority Election.

Not being registered to vote can affect a person's credit reference history and result in an application for a mortgage, loan or mobile phone contract being refused.

### How do I register to vote?

In order to register, you must complete a Household Enquiry Form (HEF) on or before the next registration date. You may request a Registration Form to be sent to you, via the website [www.gov.im/elections](http://www.gov.im/elections) or by phoning the Crown and Elections Unit on 685754.

Register Date	Deadline for Forms
1 January 2018	18 December 2017
1 April 2018	18 March 2018
1 July 2018	17 June 2018
1 October 2018	17 September 2018
1 January 2019	18 December 2018
1 April 2019	18 March 2019
1 July 2019	17 June 2019
1 October 2019	17 September 2019
1 January 2020	18 December 2019

### You can register to vote if you:

- Have been resident on the Island for a least 12 months
- Are 16 years of age or older
- Are not subject to any legal incapacity to vote

### How to check if you are registered

The full Electoral Registers can be viewed at the following locations:

- Local Authority Offices
- General Registry  
(IOM Courts of Justice, Deemsters' Walk, Douglas)
- Crown and Elections Unit  
(Cabinet Office, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Government Office, Bucks Road, Douglas)
- Tynwald Library  
(Legislative Buildings, Finch Road, Douglas)