

ELECTORAL COMMISSION**NO. 4306****1 February 2024****AMENDMENT TO THE REGULATIONS RELATING TO ACTIVITIES
PERMISSIBLE OUTSIDE VOTING STATIONS ON VOTING DAY, 2008**

The Electoral Commission has, in terms of section 23(1)(c) of the Electoral Commission Act, 51 of 1996, made the regulations set out in the Schedule.

GENERAL EXPLANATORY NOTE

[] Words or phrases in bold type square brackets indicate omissions or deletions from existing enactments; and

_____ Words or phrases underlined with a solid line indicate insertion in existing enactments

SCHEDULE**Contents****Definitions**

1. In this Schedule, unless the context indicates otherwise –
 - 1.1. “the Act” means the Electoral Commission Act, 1996 (Act 51 of 1996);
 - 1.2. “the Regulations” means the Regulations Relating to Activities Permissible Outside Voting Stations on Voting Day, 2008, published under General Notice 1205 in GG 31453 of 22 September 2008; and

- 1.3. any word or expression to which a meaning has been assigned in the Act and/or the Regulations shall have that meaning.

Substitution of Regulation 4

2. The following regulation is hereby substituted for regulation 4:

“4(1) If, in the opinion of the presiding officer, a facility is likely to impede voters’ access, the presiding officer may instruct the party or candidate responsible for the facility to move the temporary operational facility elsewhere.

(2) If, in the opinion of the presiding officer, a party, agent or candidate engages in conduct likely to impede voters’ access or contravene provisions of the Electoral Code of Conduct, the presiding officer may instruct the party, agent or candidate to cease and desist from such conduct.”

Substitution of Regulation 5

3. The following regulation is hereby substituted for regulation 5:

“If parties, agents and or candidates cannot agree amongst themselves on the positioning of their facilities, the presiding officer may be called upon to decide the dispute and issue instructions accordingly to the parties and or candidates, as the case may be.”

Short title and commencement

4. These Regulations are called the Amendment to the Regulations relating to Activities Permissible Outside Voting Stations on Voting Day, 2023, and shall come into operation on the date of publication hereof in the *Gazette*.