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### **Communication from the Electoral Census Office to the Town Councils on the formation of electoral census of foreign residents in Spain for municipal elections and the European Parliament on May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

On May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019 municipal elections will be held and the European Parliament.

In these elections may vote nationals of countries of the European Union and countries which have signed with Spain a reciprocal agreement to vote in municipal elections.

To form the electoral register of foreign residents in Spain (CERE) the Electoral Census Office (OCE) moved the following information to all Town Councils:

#### 1. Nationals of countries of the European Union

EU citizens resident in Spain, who are eligible to be electors required for the Spaniards, can exercise the right to vote in local elections and the European Parliament if they express their willingness to vote.

Although United Kingdom has expressed its intention to leave the European Union on March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019, under the Agreement of the Central Electoral Board October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018, the citizens of UK residents in Spain should not be excluded from training the electoral roll of the municipal elections and the European Parliament, warning stakeholders is a precautionary provision that cease to have effect if the separation UK consume on March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

##### 1.1. Normative

Resolution of September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2010, the Electoral Census Office, laying procedures established and the application form for registration on the electoral roll for the municipal elections of nationals of countries of the European Union approved.

Resolution of April 12<sup>th</sup> 2013, the Electoral Census Office laying down procedures and application form for registration is approved on the electoral roll for elections to the European Parliament nationals of other countries EU residents in Spain.



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### 1.2 . Demonstrations will vote in Spain for municipal elections and the European Parliament

To facilitate the expression of will to vote, the OCE will ship in late October or early November, a communication to EU citizens resident in Spain, with its preprinted data enumerations.

Communications will be sent only to the OCE has not been addressed on the occasion of elections to the European Parliament and former municipal (registered in the Padron from September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013) and have not made the formal declaration. This communication includes a key electronic processing (CTT) which enables to perform the manifestation of Internet voting.

Formal statements of wishes to vote in Spain for municipal elections and the 2019 European Parliament may be made by Internet, mail or in person at Town Council of residence.

· **a) On the Internet:**

Those interested should access the procedure through the Electronic Office National Institute Statistics (INE), <https://sede.ine.gob.es>, prove their identity by an electronic certificate associated with the NIE published in it and check the option manifestation of will to vote. Those who do not have electronic certificate may make the application accessing the system with its NIE and CTT included in the communication.

· **b) By mail:**

To make the formal declaration of protest voting by mail, Those interested should send the answer directly to the Provincial Delegation of the OCE, without postage.

· **a) In the Town Council of residence:**

By filling in the form of a formal declaration (DFA model) provided by the Provincial Delegation of the OCE to the City Council in a file. The proof of identity can be the identity card or passport from their country of origin.

### 1.2. Term

To take effect in the current electoral census of the local elections and the European Parliament on May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019, the registrations in Padron and formal declarations should be made no later than the day January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019.



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The statements submitted after January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019, including claims that may arise for data registration in the electoral census, will not be included in the current census elections May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

### 1. Nationals of countries with reciprocal agreements voting for municipal elections

Residents in Spain nationals of countries with agreements recognizing the right to vote in municipal elections, which meet the requirements laid down therein to be electors may apply for registration on the electoral roll for the municipal elections of May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

Application for registration on the electoral roll of non-EU citizens of countries with agreements may be submitted in Town Councils, being the registration deadline from December 1<sup>st</sup> to January 15<sup>th</sup>.

Countries with agreements in force are: Bolivia, Cape Verde, Chile, Colombia, Korea, Ecuador, Iceland, Norway, New Zealand, Paraguay, Peru and Trinidad and Tobago.

They may also apply for national registration of other countries with which agreements were established, if in force within the application deadline established.

#### 2.1. Normative

- Order ECC / 1758/2014 on September 23<sup>rd</sup>, amending the Order EHA / 2264/2010 on July 20<sup>th</sup>, laying down rules and technical instructions for the formation of electoral census of residents in Spain will dictate that they are nationals of countries with agreements for municipal elections

- Resolution of October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2014, the Office of the electoral roll, for which the procedures are established and the application form for registration is approved in the electoral census of residents in Spain of nationals of countries with agreements for municipal elections.

#### 2.2. Conditions for registration

The conditions to be met to qualify for enrollment are:

- **to)** Be over eighteen years old and not be deprived of the right to to vote.
- **b)** Be register in the municipal Padron of inhabitants.
- **c)** Be in possession of a residence permit in Spain.

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- **d)** Have legally resided in Spain the time required in the corresponding Agreement (five years at the time of application or three years the day of the vote to nationals of Norway). This requirement may be justified by providing a certificate of residence issued by the Police.

### 2.3. Procedures and application deadline

To facilitate the registration application in the last days of November 2018 the OCE will send a communication to foreign residents in Spain who meet the conditions set out in the preceding paragraph, your personal data and preprinted residence obtained information from the Central Register of Foreigners and municipal registers. This communication includes a key electronic processing (CTT) which enables to perform the manifestation of Internet voting.

Registration applications can be made online, mail or in person at Town Council.

- **a) On the Internet:**

To apply online registration interested parties should access the procedure "Application form" through the Electronic Office INE, <https://sede.ine.gob.es>, prove their identity by an electronic certificate associated with the NIE published in the same and mark the registration application. Those who do not have electronic certificate may make the application accessing the system with its NIE and the key to online processing (CTT) included in the communication.

- **b) By mail:**

Those interested should send the reply directly to the Provincial Delegation of the OCE, without postage.

- **a) In the Town Council of residence:**

Interested who consider meet the conditions of the Agreement may submit the application in person at the Council identifying with your ID card abroad (for nationals of Norway or Iceland's national identity card or passport from their country of origin is also supported).

Time legal residence in Spain must be justified with a certificate of residence issued solely by the Police.

The application form will be provided by the Provincial Delegation of the Electoral Census Office to all municipal councils in a file, so that the necessary impressions are made.



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### 2.4. Term

The deadline for submitting applications is established from December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018 to January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

The applications submitted by municipal councils should be forwarded to the OCE before January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

Requests made after the deadline, including claims that may be made by data entry on the electoral roll, will be dismissed for violating this requirement.

### 3. Counts communications sent by municipality

Counts of communications for the municipality will be published on the website of the OCE in **www.ine.es**, Electoral Census / Training of voter registration of foreign residents in Spain for municipal elections and the European Parliament 2019.