

POLITICAL PARTIES ACT, 2011

NOTICE TO COMPLY WITH THE POLITICAL PARTIES ACT, (AMENDMENT) NO.2 OF 2016

In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 9 and 18 of the Political Parties Act, 2011, the Registrar of Political Parties gives notice that all provisionally and fully registered political parties shall amend their party constitutions and rules within three (3) months of issuance of this notice.

The amendments shall be made in order to comply with the Political Parties Act (Amendment) (No.2) of 2016.

The amendments shall incorporate the following thematic areas:-

1. Inclusivity;

- a. Ensuring that not more than two-thirds of either gender is represented in the party organs, bodies and committees
- b. Representation and participation of special interest groups in decision making organs
- c. Implementation of affirmative action programs, policies and strategies relating to political representation

2. Registration and regulation of party membership;

- a. Aggregation of data in relation to special interest groups
- b. Continuous update of membership register

3. Procedure governing mergers of political parties

4. Procedure governing coalitions between political parties

5. Procedure for changes to party particulars

6. Internal party dispute resolution mechanism in line with Articles 47 and 50 of the Constitution

7. Updated nomination rules for election of party officials, nomination of candidates for elections and candidates for party lists

8. Any other relevant information

Further all fully registered political parties are required to forward their updated list of governing officials and persons authorized to sign on behalf of the party, which shall be in line with the new requirements.

Note that a Chairperson or Secretary General who fails to comply with these provisions commits an offence.

Further enquiries can be made through the **Office of the Registrar of Political Parties, 1st Floor, Lion Place, Waiyaki Way P.O. Box 1131 – 00606, NAIROBI** during official working hours (8am to 5pm) from Monday to Friday except on Public holidays.

Dated 1st September, 2016



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