

Surrender of Donations

Anonymous donations and donations from impermissible donors that cannot be returned, as a last resort, must be surrendered to the Registrar of Political Donations. If you are unsure whether a donation is from a permissible source and you are unable to determine this, you should return the donation to the person (other than the donor) who transmitted it or the bank if it is a cheque, within 30 days of receipt. If you are unable to return the donation to the donor for whatever reason, you must surrender the donation to the Registrar of Political Donations within 30 days of receipt of the donation.

When a political association or a candidate or his election agent surrenders a donation to the Registrar, it should take note of the following:

- (1) Use prescribed **Form 11**
- (2) **Form 11** must be duly completed and signed:
 - (a) by the Treasurer of the political association if the donation is surrendered by a political association; or
 - (b) by his election agent if the donation was for the candidate.
- (3) The donation must be surrendered to the Registrar of Political Donations within 30 days of receipt of the donation. In the case of donations to political associations, the donations must be surrendered by the treasurer or an authorised representative. The representative must be a Singapore citizen who is at least 21 years old and carries a letter of authorisation stating his name and NRIC number and the name and NRIC number of the treasurer of the political association. The letter must be signed by the treasurer of the political association. In the case of donations to candidates, the donations must be surrendered by the election agent or (as the case may be) principal election agent.
- (4) The Registrar of Political Donations may specify the manner in which a donation should be surrendered. For example, for a bulky property, the Registrar may require the donation to be surrendered at a specific location.