

Who can be a Churchwarden?

To be elected to office as churchwarden, a person must be:

- at least 21 years of age;
- on the Electoral Roll of the parish;
- an 'actual communicant' (defined, broadly, as someone who has received Holy Communion according to the use of the Church of England, at least three times in the previous twelve months).

But there are certain categories of people who are disqualified from serving:

- people disqualified from acting as a charity trustee (broadly, those who have been declared bankrupt or who have a criminal conviction for dishonesty or deception);
- people who have a criminal conviction under the Children and Young Persons Act 1933);
- people who have been party to a breakdown of parochial pastoral relationships as defined in the Vacation of Benefices Measure.