

SMITH & NEPHEW PLC  
Form 6-K  
September 30, 2008

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

**Report of Foreign Private Issuer**

**Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16  
of the Securities Exchange Act of  
1934**

September 30, 2008

Commission File Number 001-14978

**SMITH & NEPHEW plc**  
(Registrant's name)

**15 Adam Street**  
**London, England WC2N 6LA**  
(Address of registrant's principal executive offices)

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Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2 (b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.]

Yes                      No X  
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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

Smith & Nephew Plc  
(Registrant)

Date: September 30, 2008

By: /s/ Paul Chambers  
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Paul Chambers  
Company Secretary

**Smith & Nephew plc – Voting Rights and Capital**

30 September 2008

In conformity with Rule 5.6.1 of the FSA's Disclosure and Transparency Rules, we notify the market that as at 30 September 2008:

Smith & Nephew plc's issued share capital with voting rights consists of 882,583,124 ordinary shares of US20¢ each.

67,000,683 ordinary shares are held in treasury, and are not included in the above figure.

882,583,124 ordinary shares may be used by shareholders for calculating if they are required to notify their interest in,

or change to their interest in, the Company under the FSA's Disclosure and Transparency Rules.

Paul Chambers  
Company Secretary