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SCHEDULE 1 **E+W**

ENABLING POWERS

Commencement Information

II Sch. 1 in force at 16.2.2001, see [reg. 1\(1\)](#)

These Regulations are made under the following powers:

- (a) sections 10A(7) and (9)(1), 13A(6), 36(3C)(2), 53(3) and 201(1) and (3)(4) of, rule 24(5) of Schedule 1 and Schedule 2(6) to, the Representation of the People Act 1983 (“the 1983 Act”);
- (b) sections 3(5), (6) and (7)(7) and 15(5) of the Representation of the People Act 1985 (“the 1985 Act”);
- (c) having regard to the definition of “prescribed” in section 202(1) of the 1983 Act, sections 4(4)(8), 9(2)(9), 10A(1), (3), (6) and (7), 13(3), 13A(2), 13B(3), 14(1), 16, 56(1) and (5), 75(3) and 89(1) of, rules 24, 28(3), 29(3A)(10), 32(3) and 45(1B)(11) in Schedule 1 to, and paragraph 8(1) of Schedule 4 to, that Act;
- (d) having regard to the definition of “prescribed” in section 202(1) of the 1983 Act and section 27(2) of the 1985 Act, section 2(3) of the 1985 Act(12);
- (e) having regard to the definition of “prescribed” in section 202(1) of the 1983 Act and paragraph 1(2) of Schedule 4 to the Representation of the People Act 2000, the following provisions in that Schedule, namely, paragraphs 3(1)(b) and (2)(c), 4(1)(b), (2)(c) and (4)(a), 6(7) and (8) and 7(5)(c) and (7);
- (f) having regard to the designation(13) of the Secretary of State for the purposes of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972(14) in relation to measures relating to the rights of citizens of the Union to vote at European Parliamentary elections and local government elections in England and Wales, that section 2(2); and
- (g) paragraph 2(4)(b) of Schedule 1 to the European Parliamentary Elections Act 1978(15).

(1) Sections 10A and 13A were substituted by Schedule 1 to the 2000 Act.

(2) Section 36(3C) was substituted by section 17 of the 1985 Act.

(3) Section 53 was amended by Schedule 4 to the 1985 Act and Schedule 1 to the 2000 Act.

(4) Section 201(1) was amended by [S.I. 1991/1728](#) and section 201(3) was inserted by Schedule 1 to the 2000 Act.

(5) Rule 24 was substituted by Schedule 6 to the 2000 Act.

(6) Schedule 2 was amended by Schedules 2 and 4 to the 1985 Act; Schedules 1 and 6 to the 2000 Act; Schedule 16 to the Local Government (Wales) Act 1994 (c. 19); and section 5 of the Representation of the People Act 1989 (c. 28). Schedule 2 has also been amended by section 9 of the 2000 Act but the amendments are not yet in force.

(7) Section 3 was substituted by Schedule 2 to the 2000 Act.

(8) Section 4 was substituted by section 1(2) of the 2000 Act.

(9) Sections 9, 10A, 13, 13A and 13B were substituted by Schedule 1 to the 2000 Act.

(10) Rule 29(3A) was inserted by section 13(2) of the 2000 Act.

(11) Rule 45(1B) was inserted by Schedule 6 to the 2000 Act.

(12) Section 2 was substituted by Schedule 2 to the 2000 Act.

(13) The European Communities (Designation) (No. 3) Order 1993 ([S.I. 1993/2661](#)).

(14) 1972 c. 68.

(15) 1978 c. 10.

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SCHEDULE 2 E+W

Regulation 2

REVOCATIONS

Commencement Information

I2 Sch. 2 in force at 16.2.2001, see [reg. 1\(1\)](#)

<i>1</i> <i>Regulations revoked</i>	<i>2</i> <i>References</i>	<i>3</i> <i>Extent of revocation</i>
The Representation of the People Regulations 1986	S.I. 1986/1081	The whole Regulations except regulations 1, 4 and 97 to 100
The Representation of the People (Amendment) Regulations 1990	S.I. 1990/520	The whole Regulations except regulations 29 to 31
The Representation of the People (Amendment) Regulations 1991	S.I. 1991/1198	The whole Regulations
The Representation of the People (Amendment) Regulations 1992	S.I. 1992/722	The whole Regulations
The European Parliamentary Elections (Changes to the Franchise and Qualification of Representatives) Regulations 1994	S.I. 1994/342	Part I of the Schedule
The Local Government Elections (Changes to the Franchise and Qualification of Members) Regulations 1995	S.I. 1995/1948	Paragraphs 12 to 16 of Schedule 2
The Representation of the People (Amendment) Regulations 1997	S.I. 1997/880	The whole Regulations

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FORMS ARRANGEMENT OF FORMS

Textual Amendments

- F1** Sch. 3 Forms substituted (1.1.2007) by The Representation of the People (England and Wales) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2006 (S.I. 2006/2910), regs. 1(1), 47(3), [Sch. 2](#) (with reg. 1(2)(3)(d))
- F2** Sch. 3 Form A1 Form inserted (1.1.2007) by The Representation of the People (England and Wales) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2006 (S.I. 2006/2910), regs. 1(1), 47(4), [Sch. 2](#) (with reg. 1(2)(3)(d))

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- F3** Sch. 3 Form substituted (1.1.2007) by The Representation of the People (England and Wales) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2006 (S.I. 2006/2910), regs. 1(1), 47(5), **Sch. 2** (with reg. 1(2)(3)(d))
- F4** Sch. 3 Form B1 Form inserted (1.1.2007) by The Representation of the People (England and Wales) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2006 (S.I. 2006/2910), regs. 1(1), 47(6), **Sch. 2** (with reg. 1(2)(3)(d))
- F5** Sch. 3 Form substituted (1.1.2007) by The Representation of the People (England and Wales) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2006 (S.I. 2006/2910), regs. 1(1), 66, **Sch. 2** (with reg. 1(2)(3)(e))
- F6** Sch. 3 Form substituted (1.1.2007) by The Representation of the People (England and Wales) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2006 (S.I. 2006/2910), regs. 1(1), 66, **Sch. 2** (with reg. 1(2)(3)(e))
- F7** Sch. 3 Form substituted (1.1.2007) by The Representation of the People (England and Wales) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2006 (S.I. 2006/2910), regs. 1(1), 66, **Sch. 2** (with reg. 1(2)(3)(e))
- F8** Sch. 3 Form K substituted (1.1.2007) by The Representation of the People (England and Wales) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2006 (S.I. 2006/2910), regs. 1(1), 41, **Sch. 2** (with reg. 1(2)(3)(c))
- F9** Sch. 3 Form L1 inserted (1.1.2007) by The Representation of the People (England and Wales) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2006 (S.I. 2006/2910), regs. 1(1), 29(3), **Sch. 2** (with reg. 1(2)(3)(a))
- F10** Sch. 3 Form L2 inserted (1.1.2007) by The Representation of the People (England and Wales) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2006 (S.I. 2006/2910), regs. 1(1), 29(3), **Sch. 2** (with reg. 1(2)(3)(a))
- F11** Sch. 3 Form M1 inserted (1.1.2007) by The Representation of the People (England and Wales) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2006 (S.I. 2006/2910), regs. 1(1), 29(3), **Sch. 2** (with reg. 1(2)(3)(a))
- F12** Sch. 3 Form M2 inserted (1.1.2007) by The Representation of the People (England and Wales) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2006 (S.I. 2006/2910), regs. 1(1), 29(3), **Sch. 2** (with reg. 1(2)(3)(a))
- F13** Words in Sch. 3 Form B1 in the heading for “From B1” substitute “Form B1” (9.4.2007) by The Representation of the People (England and Wales) and the Representation of the People (Combination of Polls) (England and Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2007 (S.I. 2007/1025), regs. 1(2), **2(4)(b)** (with reg. 1(3))
- F14** Sch. 3 Form A substituted (9.4.2007) by The Representation of the People (England and Wales) and the Representation of the People (Combination of Polls) (England and Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2007 (S.I. 2007/1025), regs. 1(2), 2(4)(a), **Sch. Form A** (with reg. 1(3))
- F15** Sch. 3 Form B substituted (9.4.2007) by The Representation of the People (England and Wales) and the Representation of the People (Combination of Polls) (England and Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2007 (S.I. 2007/1025), regs. 1(2), 2(4)(a), **Sch. Form B** (with reg. 1(3))
- F16** Sch. 3 Form L2 substituted (9.4.2007) by The Representation of the People (England and Wales) and the Representation of the People (Combination of Polls) (England and Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2007 (S.I. 2007/1025), regs. 1(2), 2(4)(a), **Sch. Form L2** (with reg. 1(3))
- F17** Sch. 3 Form M2 substituted (9.4.2007) by The Representation of the People (England and Wales) and the Representation of the People (Combination of Polls) (England and Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2007 (S.I. 2007/1025), regs. 1(2), 2(4)(a), **Sch. Form M2** (with reg. 1(3))

Commencement Information

- I3** Sch. 3 in force at 16.2.2001, see **reg. 1(1)**

[^{F18} Form A:	Official poll card (to be sent to an elector voting in person)]
[^{F18} Form A1:	Official postal poll card (to be sent to an elector voting by post)]
[^{F18} Form B:	Official proxy poll card (to be sent to an appointed proxy voting in person)]
[^{F18} Form B1	Official proxy postal poll card (to be sent to an appointed proxy voting by post)]
Form C:	Return of expenses required by section 75 of the 1983 Act

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Form D:	Declaration as to expenses required by section 75 of the 1983 Act
Form E:	Proxy paper
Form F:	Certificate of employment
Form G:	[^{F19} postal voting statement] (for use at parliamentary elections)
Form H:	[^{F19} postal voting statement] (for use when postal ballots are combined)
Form J:	[^{F19} postal voting statement] (for use when a parliamentary poll is combined with another poll but the postal ballots are not combined)
Form K:	Statement as to postal ballot papers
[^{F20} Form L1	Corresponding Number List for use at parliamentary election taken alone]
[^{F20} Form L2	Corresponding Number List for use in polling station at parliamentary election taken alone]
[^{F20} Form M1	Corresponding Number List for use when parliamentary election combined with a relevant election or referendum]
[^{F20} Form M2	Corresponding Number List for use in polling station when parliamentary election combined with a relevant election or referendum]

Textual Amendments

- F18** Sch. 3 Table of Contents entries substituted (1.1.2007) by The Representation of the People (England and Wales) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2006 (S.I. 2006/2910), regs. 1(1), **47(2)** (with reg. 1(2)(3)(d))
- F19** Words in Regulation substituted (1.1.2007) by The Representation of the People (England and Wales) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2006 (S.I. 2006/2910), regs. 1(1), **65(a)** (with reg. 1(2)(3)(e))
- F20** Sch. 3 Table of Contents entries inserted (1.1.2007) by The Representation of the People (England and Wales) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2006 (S.I. 2006/2910), regs. 1(1), **29(2)** (with reg. 1(2)(3)(a))

Form A:ELECTOR'S OFFICIAL POLL CARD

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Regulation 9(2)

<p>Form A: OFFICIAL POLL CARD (to be sent to an elector voting in person) <i>Front of card</i></p>	
<p>OFFICIAL POLL CARD</p>	
<p>Constituency:</p> <p>Polling Day:</p> <p>Polling hours: 7 a.m. to 10 p.m.</p> <p>Your polling station will be:</p>	<p>Number on register:</p> <p>*Name</p> <p>.....</p> <p>*Address</p> <p>.....</p> <p><i>* (Returning officer to omit where poll card sent to an anonymous elector. Poll card to anonymous elector must be delivered in a sealed envelope.)</i></p>
<p>*This card is for information only. You can vote without it, but it will save you time if you take it to the polling station and show it to the clerk there.</p> <p><i>SEE FURTHER INFORMATION ON THE BACK OF THIS CARD</i></p>	
<p><i>Back of card</i></p>	
<p>PARLIAMENTARY ELECTION</p>	
<p>*When you go to the polling station, tell the clerk your name and address, as shown on the front of the card.</p> <p>*The clerk will confirm your details on the register.</p> <p>When you are given your ballot paper, go to one of the polling booths. Mark a cross (X) in the box on the right hand side of the ballot paper opposite the name of the candidate you are voting for.</p> <p>Vote for ONE candidate only. Do not put any other mark on the ballot paper, or your vote may not be counted.</p> <p>If you spoil your ballot paper by mistake, show it to the presiding officer and ask for a replacement.</p> <p>Fold the ballot paper in two. Show the presiding officer the number and other unique identifying mark on the back of the ballot paper, but do not let anyone see your vote. Put the ballot paper in the ballot box and leave the polling station.</p> <p>If you will be away on the date of the poll –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You can apply to vote by post. Your application must be received by the Returning Officer before 5 p.m. on [-11 day/date deadline]. If you are given a postal vote, you will not be entitled to vote in person at this election. • You can apply to vote by proxy (this means someone else can vote on your behalf). Your application must be received before 5 p.m. on [-6 day/date deadline]. If you appoint a proxy, you can still vote in this election yourself if you do so before your proxy has voted for you. <p>In certain circumstances it may be possible to apply to vote by proxy after [-6 day/date deadline].</p> <p>To change any of your voting arrangements please contact [helpline number] as soon as possible.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Issued by the Returning Officer</p> <p>[Where poll card sent to an anonymous elector substitute for the paragraphs marked with * above:-</p> <p>You must have this card with you when you vote. You cannot vote without it.</p> <p>When you go to the polling station, ask to speak to the presiding officer and show them this card.</p>	

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Form A1:ELECTOR'S OFFICIAL POSTAL POLL CARD

<p>Form A1: OFFICIAL POSTAL POLL CARD (to be sent to an elector voting by post) <i>Front of card</i></p>	
<p>OFFICIAL POSTAL POLL CARD</p>	
<p>Constituency: For the election on: [day/date] Number on Register: *Name and Address: *(Returning Officer to omit where postal poll card sent to an anonymous elector. Postal poll card to anonymous elector must be delivered in a sealed envelope.)</p>	<p>This notice is to tell you that you have asked to vote by post for this election, and you will not be able to vote in a polling station. If you want to cancel your postal vote please call: [helpline number] before 5pm on [-11 day/date deadline].</p> <p>We will send your postal voting papers around [day/date]. Addressed to: (Name and Address)</p> <p>If your postal voting papers have not arrived by [day/date] call: [helpline number] and ask for help.</p>
<p>If you lose or accidentally spoil your postal ballot paper, please call: [helpline number] as soon as possible. Replacement ballot papers can only be issued before 5 p.m. on [day/date of poll].</p>	
<p>This card is to provide you with information about voting by post. SEE INFORMATION ON THE BACK OF THIS CARD <i>Back of card</i></p>	
<p>PARLIAMENTARY ELECTION</p>	
<p>When you receive your postal voting pack, please read the instructions with it carefully before completing your postal ballot paper.</p> <p>Do not let anyone see your vote. If you need help voting, the person helping you must not tell anyone how you have voted. You can get independent help from the Returning Officer: please call our helpline on [helpline number].</p> <p>You must sign the postal voting statement (unless you have been granted a waiver by prior arrangement with the Returning Officer) and provide your date of birth. This is a security measure. It will not affect your vote or mean it can be identified. Without your signature and date of birth the statement will not be valid and your vote will not be counted. The Returning Officer can cross check your signature against other records that they hold.</p> <p>If you lose or accidentally spoil your ballot paper, please call the helpline number below as soon as possible. We can only issue replacement postal ballot papers before 5 p.m. on [day/date of poll].</p> <p>Complete and return your postal vote as soon as possible. The Returning Officer must receive your postal vote by 10pm on [day/date of poll]. You can deliver your completed voting papers to any polling station in the constituency.</p> <p>If you want to vote in person at these elections, you must cancel your postal vote before 5 p.m. on [-11 day/date deadline].</p> <p>If you need any assistance, please call our helpline on: [helpline number].</p>	
<p>It is an offence to vote using a ballot paper that was not addressed to you. Issued by the Returning Officer</p>	

Form B:PROXY'S OFFICIAL POLL CARD

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Regulation 9(3)

<p>Form B: OFFICIAL PROXY POLL CARD (to be sent to an appointed proxy voting in person) <i>Front of card</i></p>	
<p>OFFICIAL PROXY POLL CARD</p>	
<p>Constituency: Polling Day: Polling hours: 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Elector's polling station will be:</p>	<p>*This poll card is to tell you that for this election, the elector named on the back of this card has appointed you as their proxy.</p> <p>*Proxy's name </p> <p>*Proxy's address </p> <p><i>*(Returning officer to omit where poll card sent to the proxy of an anonymous elector. Poll card to proxy of anonymous elector must be delivered in a sealed envelope.)</i></p>
<p>*This card is for information only. You can vote without it, but it will save time if you take it to the polling station and show it to the clerk there.</p> <p><i>SEE FURTHER INFORMATION ON THE BACK OF THIS CARD</i></p>	
<p><i>Back of card</i></p>	
<p>PARLIAMENTARY ELECTION</p>	
<p>*This poll card is to tell you that for this election you are appointed as proxy for: </p> <p>*(Elector's name) </p> <p>*(Elector's address) </p> <p>*(Elector's number on register) </p> <p>*When you go to the polling station, tell the clerk that you wish to vote as proxy on behalf of the voter shown above.</p> <p>The clerk will confirm your details on the register.</p> <p>When you are given the ballot paper, go to one of the polling booths. Mark a cross (X) in the box on the right hand side of the ballot paper opposite the name of the candidate the elector is voting for.</p> <p>Vote for ONE candidate only. Do not put any other mark on the ballot paper, or the vote may not be counted.</p> <p>If you spoil the ballot paper by mistake, show it to the presiding officer and ask for a replacement.</p> <p>Fold the ballot paper in two. Show the presiding officer the number and other unique identifying mark on the back of the ballot paper, but do not let anyone see the vote. Put the ballot paper in the ballot box and leave the polling station.</p> <p>If you will be away on the date of the poll, you can apply to vote by post before 5 p.m. on [-11 day/date deadline]. If you are given a postal vote, you or the elector will <i>not</i> be entitled to vote in person at this election.</p> <p>The person who appointed you as proxy may vote at this election. If they wish to do so they must vote in person before you vote on their behalf.</p>	

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Form B1:OFFICIAL PROXY POSTAL POLL CARD

<p>From B1: OFFICIAL PROXY POSTAL POLL CARD (to be sent to an appointed proxy voting by post) <i>Front of card</i></p>	
<p>OFFICIAL PROXY POSTAL POLL CARD</p>	
<p>Constituency: For the election on: [day/date] Name and Address (Proxy):</p>	<p>This poll card is to tell you that for this election, the elector named on the back of this card has appointed you as their proxy and you have decided to vote by post. You will not be able to vote on behalf of the elector in a polling station. If you want to cancel this postal vote and vote in person on polling day, please call: [helpline number] before 5pm on [-11 day/date deadline]. We will send the proxy postal voting papers around [day/date]. If the postal voting papers have not arrived by [day/date] please call: [helpline number] and ask for help.</p>
<p>If you lose or accidentally spoil the elector's postal ballot paper, please call: [helpline number] as soon as possible. Replacement ballot papers can only be issued before 5pm on [day/date of poll].</p>	
<p>This card is to provide you with information about voting by post. SEE INFORMATION ON THE BACK OF THIS CARD</p>	
<p><i>Back of card</i></p>	
<p>PARLIAMENTARY ELECTION</p>	
<p>*This poll card is to tell you that for this election you are appointed as proxy for the elector named below and you have decided to vote by post.</p>	
<p>..... *(Elector's name)</p>	
<p>..... *(Elector's address)</p>	
<p>When you receive the postal voting pack, please read the instructions with it carefully before completing the postal ballot paper.</p>	
<p>Do not let anyone see your vote. If you need help voting, the person helping you must not tell anyone how you have voted.</p>	
<p>You must sign the postal voting statement (unless you have been granted a waiver by prior arrangement with the Returning Officer) and provide your date of birth. This is a security measure. It will not affect your vote or mean it can be identified. Without your signature and date of birth the statement will not be valid and your vote will not be counted. The Returning Officer can cross check your signature against other records they hold.</p>	
<p>If you lose or accidentally spoil the postal ballot paper, please call the helpline number below as soon as possible. We can only issue replacement postal ballot papers before 5pm on [day/date of poll].</p>	
<p>Complete and return the postal vote as soon as possible. The Returning Officer must receive the postal vote by 10pm on [day/date of poll]. You can deliver your completed</p>	

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voting papers to any polling station in your area/ward.

If you want to vote in person as a proxy at these elections, you must cancel your postal vote before 5 p.m. on [-11 day/date deadline].

It is illegal to do any of the following:

- Vote more than once (unless you are appointed as a proxy for another elector) at the same election.
- Vote as a proxy at the same election for two or more persons unless you are their spouse, civil partner, parent, grandparent, brother, sister, child or grandchild.
- Vote as a proxy for a person if you know that the person is subject to a legal incapacity to vote.

Issued by the Returning Officer

*[Where poll card sent to the proxy of an anonymous elector substitute for the text marked with * above:-*

This poll card is to tell you that for this election you are appointed as proxy for the elector whose electoral number is shown below and you have decided to vote by post.

You are entitled to vote as proxy for the elector whose electoral number is shown below:

.....
(Elector's number on register)].

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Regulation 10(1)

REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE ACTS

ELECTION IN THE.....CONSTITUENCY/LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA

Date of publication of notice of election

The expenses shown below were authorised in writing in accordance with the provisions of section 75 of the Representation of the People Act 1983.

They were authorised

by(name of election agent)

for the candidate(name of candidate) in the above-mentioned election.

They were incurred by(person/association/body of persons).

The agent's written authority is attached to this return.

Amount of expenses incurred: £.....

Signature..... Date.....

Form D:DECLARATION AS TO EXPENSES REQUIRED BY SECTION 75 OF THE 1983 ACT

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Regulation 10(1)

REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE ACTS

ELECTION IN THE.....CONSTITUENCY/LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA

Date of publication of notice of election

Name of candidate

Name of election agent.....

I hereby declare that—

1. I am [the person] *or* [a director, general manager, secretary or similar officer of the association, organisation or body of persons]* namd as incurring expenses in the accompanying return of expenses required by section 75 of the Representation of the People Act 1983.

2. To the best of my knowledge and belief that return is complete and correct.

3. The matter for which the expenses referred to in that return were incurred were as follows

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.....
.....
.....

Signature.....

Office held
(In the case of an association or body of persons)

Date

*enter as appropriate

Form E:PROXY PAPER

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Regulation 57(3)

REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE ACTS

Constituency

Polling district

Local government electoral area(s)

.....

European Parliamentary electoral region

Name of Proxy

Address

.....

.....

is hereby appointed as proxy for

(Name of elector)

*[who is qualified to be registered for

(Qualifying address)

*[who qualifies as an overseas elector in respect of the above constituency] to vote for him/her at

*[the *[parliamentary] *[local government] *[European Parliamentary] election for the above
*[constituency] *[electoral area] *[European Parliamentary electoral region] on (date).....]

*[any *[parliamentary] *[local government] *[European Parliamentary] election for the above
*[constituency] *[electoral area] *[European Parliamentary electoral region]]

*[This proxy appointment is not valid until

*[This proxy appointment remains valid until.....]

Signature

Electoral Registration Officer

Address

.....

.....

Date

**Delete whichever is inappropriate*

YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE AS PROXY

1. This proxy paper gives you the right to vote as proxy on behalf of the elector whose name is given overleaf. However, you may not vote as proxy at the same election for more than two electors of whom you are not the husband, wife, parent, grandparent, brother, sister, child or grandchild.

2. Your appointment as proxy may be for a particular election only, or it may be for a definite or indefinite period.

If it is for a particular election, you have the right to vote as proxy only at the election specified in the proxy paper.

If it is for an indefinite period, you have in general the right to vote as proxy at any parliamentary, European Parliamentary or local government election for which the elector is qualified to vote until the electoral registration officer informs you to the contrary.

If it is for a definite period, your right to vote as proxy expires on the date stated on the form.

3. You may vote as proxy at the polling station allotted to the elector on whose behalf you are appointed. Shortly before polling day you will be sent a proxy poll card telling you where the polling station is. You do not need to take either the poll card or this proxy paper to the polling station but you may find it helpful to do so.

4. If you cannot vote in person at the polling station, you should consult the electoral registration officer about your right to vote by post.

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Form F: CERTIFICATE OF EMPLOYMENT

Regulation 63(1)

REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE ACTS

ELECTION IN THE CONSTITUENCY

I certify that (name)
who is numbered in the register of electors for the
constituency named above cannot reasonably be expected to go in person to the polling station allotted
to him or her at the election on (date of poll) by reason of the particular
circumstances of his or her employment on that date for a purpose connected with the election—

**Delete whichever* **(a)* as a constable
is inappropriate **(b)* by me.

Signature
**Returning officer/police officer (inspector or above).*

Date

Note: The person named above is entitled to vote at any polling station of the above constituency on
production and surrender of this certificate to the presiding officer.

Form G:

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Regulation 66(a)

**Form G: Form of postal voting statement
(for use at parliamentary elections)**

Postal Voting Statement

*Voter's name: Ballot paper No.
*(Returning Officer to insert name but omit where ballot papers sent to an anonymous elector)
[other identifying mark]

You must provide your [# signature and] date of birth. If you do not, the postal voting statement will be invalid and your vote will not be counted.

I AM THE PERSON THE BALLOT PAPER NUMBERED ABOVE WAS SENT TO

Date of birth

D	D	M	M	Y	Y	Y	Y
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 (voter's date of birth)

#Signature

Signature Here

 (voter's signature)
IMPORTANT – Keep signature within border

*(Returning Officer to omit where a person has been granted a waiver)

Electoral fraud is a crime. You must not vote using a ballot paper that is not addressed to you or interfere with another voter's ballot paper.

PLEASE READ INSTRUCTIONS TO THE VOTER

Issued by the Returning Officer

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE VOTER

Complete the ballot paper yourself and in private. If you need help contact the Returning Officer's staff as shown below

[contact details for assistance
include address as appropriate]

1. You must provide your [# signature and] date of birth. If you do not, the postal voting statement will be invalid and your vote will not be counted.
2. Vote for ONE candidate only. Do not mark the ballot paper in any other way or your vote may not be counted.
3. Mark a cross (X) in the box on the right hand side of the ballot paper opposite the name of the candidate you are voting for.
4. If you need help voting, the person helping you must not tell anyone how you voted.
5. Put the ballot paper in the small envelope marked **A** and seal it.
6. Complete the postal voting statement by signing it, and providing your date of birth.
7. Then put the envelope marked **A** together with the postal voting statement in the larger envelope marked **B**. Return it straightaway.
8. **After receiving this postal vote, you cannot vote in person at a polling station at this election.**
9. If you accidentally spoil your ballot paper, you can apply to the Returning Officer for a replacement before 5 p.m. on [day/date of poll]. You must return the spoiled ballot paper, the

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postal voting statement, and the envelopes marked **A** and **B**. Make sure you contact the Returning Officer as soon as possible.

! Your ballot paper and the postal voting statement must be received by the Returning Officer by 10pm on [day/date of poll]. You can deliver your completed postal vote to any polling station in your constituency on polling day.

Electoral fraud is a crime. You must not vote using a ballot paper that is not addressed to you or interfere with another voter's ballot paper.

It is illegal to vote more than once (unless you are appointed as a proxy for another elector) at the same election.

#(Returning Officer to omit where a person has been granted a waiver)

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Form H: Form of postal voting statement
(for use where there is a joint issue and receipt of postal ballot papers)

Postal Voting Statement

*Voter's name: Ballot paper Nos.
*(Returning Officer to insert name but omit where ballot papers sent to an anonymous elector)
[other identifying marks]

You must provide your [# signature and] date of birth. If you do not, the postal voting statement will be invalid and your vote will not be counted.

I AM THE PERSON THE BALLOT PAPERS NUMBERED ABOVE WERE SENT TO

Date of birth

D	D	M	M	Y	Y	Y	Y
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 (voter's date of birth)

Signature

Signature Here

 (voter's signature)
IMPORTANT – Keep signature within border

*(Returning Officer to omit where a person has been granted a waiver)

Electoral fraud is a crime. You must not vote using a ballot paper that is not addressed to you or interfere with another voter's ballot paper.

PLEASE READ INSTRUCTIONS TO THE VOTER

Issued by the Returning Officer

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE VOTER

Complete the ballot paper yourself and in private. If you need help contact the Returning Officer's staff as shown below

[contact details for assistance
include address as appropriate]

1. You must provide your [#signature and] date of birth. You must do this even if you have already signed a postal voting statement in respect of another election to be held on the same day. If you do not, this postal voting statement will be invalid and your vote will not be counted.
2. When you are voting in a Parliamentary election ([insert colour of ballot paper] ballot paper), mark a cross (X) in the box on the right hand side of the ballot paper opposite the name of the candidate you are voting for. Vote for ONE candidate only.
3. When you are voting in a local government election ([insert colour of ballot paper] ballot paper), mark a cross (X) in the box on the right hand side of each ballot paper opposite the name of each candidate you are voting for. Vote for no more than [...] candidates.
4. When you are voting in a European Parliamentary election ([insert colour of ballot paper] ballot paper), mark a cross (X) in the box on the right hand side of the name of the party or individual candidate of your choice. Vote for ONE party or candidate only.
5. [#* When you are voting in a Greater London Authority election—
(a) [#* in the constituency members' election ([insert colour of ballot paper] ballot paper), mark a cross (X) in the box on the right hand side of the name of the party or individual

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candidate of your choice. Vote for ONE candidate only.]

(b) [* in the London members' election ([insert colour of ballot paper] ballot paper), mark a cross (X) in the box on the right hand side of the name of the party or individual candidate of your choice. Vote for ONE party or candidate only.]

(c) [* in the London Mayoral election ([insert colour of ballot paper] ballot paper), vote ONCE for your FIRST CHOICE and ONCE for your SECOND CHOICE.]

6. [* When you are voting in a [* specify] election ([insert colour of ballot paper] ballot paper), mark a cross (X) in the box on the right hand side of the name of the candidate of your choice. Vote for ONE candidate only/Vote ONCE for your FIRST CHOICE and ONCE for your SECOND CHOICE.*]
7. [* When you are voting in a referendum, mark a cross (X) in the box on the right hand side of the answer of your choice. Vote ONCE only.]

8. Do not mark your ballot papers in any other way or your votes may not be counted.
9. If you need help voting, the person helping you must not tell anyone how you voted.
10. Put all the ballot papers in the small envelope marked **A** and seal it.
11. Complete the postal voting statement by signing it, and providing your date of birth.
12. Then put the envelope marked **A** together with the postal voting statement in the larger envelope marked **B**. Return it straight away.

After receiving this postal vote, you cannot vote in person at a polling station at this election.

If you accidentally spoil any of your ballot papers, you can apply to the Returning Officer for a replacement before 5 p.m. on [day/date of poll]. You must return the spoiled ballot paper, the postal voting statement, and the envelopes marked **A** and **B**. Make sure you contact the Returning Officer as soon as possible.

! Your ballot papers and the postal voting statement must be received by the Returning Officer by 10pm on [day/date of poll]. You can deliver your completed postal vote to any polling station in your constituency on polling day.

Electoral fraud is a crime. You must not vote using a ballot paper that is not addressed to you or interfere with another voter's ballot paper.

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Regulation 66(c)

Form J: Form of postal voting statement
(for use when a parliamentary poll is combined with another poll
but the postal ballot papers are not combined)

Postal Voting Statement

*Voter's name: Ballot paper No. (Colour)
*(Returning Officer to insert name but omit where ballot papers sent to an anonymous elector)
[other identifying mark]

You must provide your [# signature and] date of birth. If you do not, the postal voting statement will be invalid and your vote will not be counted.

I AM THE PERSON THE BALLOT PAPER NUMBERED ABOVE WAS SENT TO

Date of birth

D	D	M	M	Y	Y	Y	Y
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 (voter's date of birth)

Signature

Signature Here

 (voter's signature)
IMPORTANT – Keep signature within border

*(Returning Officer to omit where a person has been granted a waiver)

Electoral fraud is a crime. You must not vote using a ballot paper that is not addressed to you or interfere with another voter's ballot paper.

PLEASE READ INSTRUCTIONS TO THE VOTER

Issued by the Returning Officer

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE VOTER

Complete the ballot paper yourself and in private. If you need help contact the Returning Officer's staff as shown below

[contact details for assistance
include address as appropriate]

1. You must provide your [# signature and] date of birth. You must do this even if you have already signed a postal voting statement in respect of another election to be held on the same day. If you do not, this postal voting statement will be invalid and your vote will not be counted.
2. Vote for ONE candidate only. Do not mark the ballot paper in any other way or your vote may not be counted.
3. Mark a cross (X) in the box on the right hand side of the ballot paper opposite the name of the candidates you are voting for.
4. If you need help voting, the person helping you must not tell anyone how you voted.
5. Different colours are used for the ballot papers for each election [and referendum*]. Each ballot paper has its own ballot paper envelope (marked **A**), postal voting statement and return envelope (marked **B**). The return envelope and postal voting statement for each ballot paper refer to the colour of that ballot paper. It is important that you use the correct envelopes and postal voting statement or your vote may not be counted. You may find it helpful to sort the documents into separate sets.

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6. Put the ballot paper in the small envelope marked **A** and seal it.
7. Complete the postal voting statement by signing it, and providing your date of birth.
8. Then put the envelope marked **A** together with the postal voting statement in the larger envelope marked **B**. Return it straightaway.

After receiving this postal vote, you cannot vote in person at a polling station at this election.

If you accidentally spoil your ballot paper, you can apply to the Returning Officer for a replacement before 5 p.m. on [day/date of poll]. You must return the spoiled ballot paper, the postal voting statement, and the envelopes marked **A** and **B**. Make sure you contact the Returning Officer as soon as possible.

! Your ballot paper and the postal voting statement must be received by the Returning Officer by 10pm on [day/date of poll]. You can deliver your completed postal vote to any polling station in your area/ward on polling day.

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**Form K: STATEMENT AS TO POSTAL BALLOT PAPERS
REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE ACTS
PARLIAMENTARY ELECTION**

Constituency: Date of Poll:

<i>A. Issue of postal ballot papers</i>	<i>Number</i>
1. Total number of postal ballot papers issued under regulation 71	
2. Total number of postal ballot papers issued under regulation 77 (spoilt and returned for cancellation) and regulation 78 (lost or not received)	
3. Total number of postal ballot papers cancelled under regulation 86A (where the first ballot paper was cancelled and retrieved)	
4. Total number of postal ballot papers issued (1 to 3)	
<i>B (1). Receipt of and replacement postal ballot papers</i>	<i>Number</i>
5. Number of covering envelopes received by the returning officer or at a polling station before the close of poll (excluding any undelivered or returned under regulation 77(1) (spoilt), regulation 78(1) (lost) and regulation 86A (cancelled ballot papers))	
6. Number of covering envelopes received by the returning officer after the close of poll, excluding any returned as undelivered	
7. Number of postal ballot papers returned spoilt for cancellation in time for another ballot paper to be issued	
8. Number of postal ballot paper identified as lost or not received in time for another ballot paper to be issued	
9. Number of ballot papers cancelled and retrieved in time for another ballot paper to be issued	
10. Number of postal ballot papers returned as spoilt too late for another ballot paper to be issued	
11. Number of covering envelopes returned as undelivered (up to the 25 th day after the date of poll)	
12. Number of covering envelopes not received by the returning officer (by the 25 th day after the date of poll)	
13. Total numbers 5 to 12 (this should be the same as that in 4 above)	
<i>B (2). Receipt of postal ballot papers – Postal voting statements</i>	<i>Number</i>
14. Number of covering envelopes set aside for the verification of personal identifiers on postal vote statements	
15. Number of postal voting statements not subject to verification procedure rejected as not completed (excluding prior cancellations)	
16. Number of postal voting statements subject to verification procedure rejected as not completed (excluding prior cancellations)	
17. Number of postal voting statements rejected following verification procedures due to the personal identifiers on the postal voting statement not matching those in the personal identifiers record (excluding prior cancellations)	
<i>C. Count of postal ballot papers</i>	<i>Number</i>
18. Number of ballot papers returned by postal voters which were included in the count of ballot papers	
19. Number of cases in which a covering envelope or its contents were marked "Rejected" (cancellations under regulations 77, 78 and 86A are not rejections and should be included in items 2,3,7,8 and 9 above)	

Date Signed
Returning Officer

Authority

Form L1:CORRESPONDING NUMBER LIST FOR USE AT PARLIAMENTARY ELECTION TAKEN ALONE

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Form L2	
Corresponding Number List (to be used in polling stations at a parliamentary election taken alone)	
Constituency:
Date of Poll:
Polling Station:
Sheet No.:

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Form M2	
Corresponding Number List (to be used in polling stations when a parliamentary election is combined with another election/referendum)	
Constituency/ Area(s):
Date of Poll:
Polling Station:
Sheet No.:

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Ballot Paper Number <i>Identify the number issued for election/referendum</i>	Elector Number

SCHEDULE 4 **E+W**

Regulation 13

APPLICATION WITH MODIFICATIONS OF PROVISIONS OF THE 1983 AND 1985 ACTS FOR REGISTRATION OF EUROPEAN PARLIAMENTARY OVERSEAS ELECTORS

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Commencement Information

I4 Sch. 4 in force at 16.2.2001, see [reg. 1\(1\)](#)

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<i>I</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>Provision applied</i>	<i>Modification</i>
PART I: THE 1983 ACT	
Section 4(5) (attainers)(16)	
Section 9 (register of electors)(17)	In subsection (1)(a) omit “for each constituency or part of a constituency”. Omit subsection (2)(b). Omit subsections (5) to (8).
Section 13 (publication of registers)(18)	For subsections (1) to (3) substitute: “(1) Where a register under section 3 of the 1985 Act is in force, a revised version of it shall be published when a revised version of the registers of parliamentary and local government electors is published under this section as it has effect for the purposes of such registers.”.
Section 13A (alteration of registers)	
Section 13B (alteration of register: pending elections)	For subsection (4) substitute: “(4) This section applies to elections to the European Parliament.”.
Section 50 (effect of misdescription)	For paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) substitute “in the register”.
Section 52 (discharge of registration duties)(19)	In subsections (1) and (4) after the word “Act” insert “and regulation 13 of the Representation of the People (England and Wales) Regulations 2001”.
Section 54 (payment of expenses of registration)(20)	In subsection (1) after the word “Act” in the first place where it occurs, insert “and regulation 13 of the Representation of the People (England and Wales) Regulations 2001”. Omit subsection (3).
Section 56 (registration appeals: England and Wales)(21)	Omit subsection (1)(b).
Section 63 (breach of official duty)(22)	In subsection (3)— (a) for paragraphs (a) to (d) substitute: “(a) any registration officer,”; and

(16) Section 4 was substituted by section 1(2) of the 2000 Act.

(17) Section 9 was substituted by Schedule 1 to the 2000 Act.

(18) Sections 13 to 13B were substituted by Schedule 1 to the 2000 Act.

(19) Section 52 was amended by Schedule 4 to the 1985 Act and Schedule 16 to the Local Government (Wales) Act 1994.

(20) Section 54 was amended by Schedule 4 to the 1985 Act.

(21) Section 56 was amended by Schedule 4 to the 1985 Act and Schedule 1 to the 2000 Act.

(22) Section 63 was substituted by Schedule 4 to the 1985 Act.

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<i>I</i> <i>Provision applied</i>	<i>2</i> <i>Modification</i>
PART II: THE 1985 ACT	(b) for the words from “relating to” to the end of the subsection substitute “relating to the registration of European Parliamentary overseas electors”.
Section 2 (registration of British citizens overseas)(23)	In paragraph (a) of subsection (1) omit “constituency or” and in paragraph (b) after “of that” insert “part of the”.
	In paragraph (c) of subsection (2) for the words from “parliamentary” to the end of that paragraph, substitute “local government electors”.
	In subsection (4) for “section 1” substitute “section 3”.
	In subsection (7) omit “constituency or”.
	In subsection (8) for “section 1(1)(a)” substitute “section 3(1)(a)”.
In section 12 (offences as to declarations etc), subsections (1), (2) and (4)	In subsection (1)(a) for the word “parliamentary” substitute “European Parliamentary”.

(23) Section 2 was substituted by Schedule 2 to the 2000 Act.

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