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## The Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2016

### PART 15

#### **DECISION MAKING**

#### **CHAPTER 3**

Notices, voting and venues for decisions

#### Notices to creditors of decision procedure

**15.8.**—(1) This rule sets out the requirements for notices to creditors where a decision is sought by a decision procedure.

- (2) The convener must deliver a notice to every creditor who is entitled to notice of the procedure.
- (3) The notice must contain the following-
  - (a) identification details for the proceedings;
  - (b) details of the decision to be made or of any resolution on which a decision is sought;
  - (c) a description of the decision procedure which the convener is using, and arrangements, including the venue, for the decision procedure;
  - (d) a statement of the decision date;
  - (e) except in the case of a decision in relation to a proposed CVA or IVA, a statement of by when the creditor must have delivered a proof in respect of the creditor's claim in accordance with these Rules failing which a vote by the creditor will be disregarded;
  - (f) a statement that a creditor whose debt is treated as a small debt in accordance with rule 14.31(1) must still deliver a proof if that creditor wishes to vote;
  - (g) a statement that a creditor who has opted out from receiving notices may nevertheless vote if the creditor provides a proof in accordance with paragraph (e);
  - (h) in the case of a decision to remove a liquidator in a creditors' voluntary winding-up or a winding up by the court, a statement drawing the attention of creditors to section 173(2) or 174(4) (which relate to the release of the liquidator), as appropriate(1);
  - (i) in the case of a decision to remove a trustee in a bankruptcy, a statement drawing the attention of creditors to section 299(3)(2) (which relates to the release of the trustee);
  - (j) in the case of a decision in relation to a proposed CVA or IVA, a statement of the effects of the relevant provisions of the following—
    - (i) rule 15.28 about creditors' voting rights,

Section 173(2)(d) is amended, (2)(a), (b) and (e) are substituted and (2A) is inserted by paragraph 44 of Schedule 9 to the Small Business, Enterprise and Employment Act 2015 (c.26) and section 174(4) is amended by paragraph 45 of Schedule 9 to the same Act.

<sup>(2)</sup> Section 299(3) is amended by paragraph 24(3) of Schedule 19 to the Enterprise and Regulatory reform Act 2013 (c.24) and paragraph 78(3) to (5) of Schedule 9 to the Small Business, Enterprise and Employment Act 2015.

- (ii) rule 15.31 about the calculation of creditors' voting rights, and
- (iii) rule 15.34 about the requisite majority of creditors for making decisions;
- (k) except in the case of a physical meeting, a statement that creditors who meet the thresholds in sections 246ZE(7) or 379ZA(7) may, within five business days from the date of delivery of the notice, require a physical meeting to be held to consider the matter;
- (l) in the case of a meeting, a statement that any proxy must be delivered to the convener or chair before it may be used at the meeting;
- (m) in the case of a meeting, a statement that, where applicable, a complaint may be made in accordance with rule 15.38 and the period within which such a complaint may be made; and
- (n) a statement that a creditor may appeal a decision in accordance with rule 15.35, and the relevant period under rule 15.35 within which such an appeal may be made.
- (4) The notice must be authenticated and dated by the convener.

(5) Where the decision procedure is a meeting the notice must be accompanied by a blank proxy complying with rule 16.3.

(6) This rule does not apply if the court orders under rule 15.12 that notice of a decision procedure be given by advertisement only.