

## SCHEDULE 1

### SCOTTISH LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS RULES RULES FOR CONDUCT OF A SCOTTISH LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTION WHERE THE POLL IS NOT TAKEN TOGETHER WITH THE POLL AT ANOTHER ELECTION

#### PART III

#### CONTESTED ELECTIONS

##### *Action to be taken before the poll*

##### *Equipment of polling stations*

24.—(1) The returning officer shall provide each presiding officer with such number of ballot boxes and ballot papers as the returning officer considers necessary.

(2) Every ballot box shall be so constructed that the ballot papers can be put in it, but cannot be withdrawn from it, without the box being opened.

(3) The returning officer shall provide each polling station with—

- (a) materials to enable voters to mark the ballot papers;
- (b) copies of the register of electors for the electoral ward or such part of it as contains the entries relating to the electors allotted to the station;
- (c) the parts of any lists of persons entitled to vote by post or by proxy prepared for the election corresponding to the register of electors for the electoral ward or the part of it provided under sub paragraph (b);
- (d) copies of forms of declarations and other documents required for the purpose of the poll; and
- (e) part two of the corresponding number list, which contains the numbers (but not the other unique identifying marks) corresponding to those on the ballot papers provided to the presiding officer of the polling station.

(4) The reference in paragraph (3)(b) to the copies of the registers of electors includes a reference to copies of any notices issued under section 13B(3B) or (3D) of the 1983 Act in respect of alterations to the register.

(5) A notice in the form set out in Form 13, giving directions for the guidance of voters in voting, shall be printed

- (a) in conspicuous characters; and
- (b) in a graphical format,

and exhibited inside and outside every polling station and in every compartment of every polling station.

(6) The returning officer shall also provide each polling station with—

- (a) an enlarged hand-held sample copy of the ballot paper for the assistance of voters who are partially sighted; and
- (b) a device for enabling voters who are blind or partially sighted to vote without any need for assistance from the presiding officer or any companion.

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(7) The returning officer may cause to be displayed at every polling station an enlarged sample copy of the ballot paper clearly marked as a specimen provided only for the guidance of voters and may include a translation of those words into such other languages as is reasonably practicable.

(8) The sample copy mentioned in paragraph (6)(a) and (7) must be clearly marked as a specimen provided only for the guidance of voters.