

## SCHEDULE

### HEALTH BOARD ELECTION RULES

#### PART 10

##### DOCUMENTS RELATING TO A HEALTH BOARD ELECTION

###### ***Sealing up of ballot papers***

**51.**—(1) As soon as is reasonably practicable after the result of a Health Board election has been declared, the returning officer must—

- (a) seal up—
  - (i) the valid ballot papers into packets; and
  - (ii) the rejected ballot papers and the rejected covering envelopes together in one packet; and
- (b) store an electronic copy of the information stored in the electronic counting system in a suitable device.

(2) The returning officer must not open the things sealed up under paragraph (1)(a).

(3) As soon as is reasonably practicable after the electronic copy mentioned in paragraph (1)(b) has been stored, the returning officer must ensure—

- (a) that all electronic data or records relating to the Health Board election are removed from the electronic counting system; and
- (b) that any copy of the data or records, other than the copy mentioned in paragraph (1)(b), is destroyed in a manner which ensures that the confidentiality of the data or records is preserved.