

SCHEDULE 3

Combined Authority Mayoral Election (Combination of Polls) Rules

PART 3

Stages common to contested and uncontested elections

Subscription of nomination paper

8.—(1) Subject to paragraphs (2) and (3), the nomination paper must be subscribed by two electors as proposer and seconder, and by at least ninety-eight other electors as assenting to the nomination.

(2) The subscribers referred to in paragraph (1) must include at least 10 local government electors in respect of each relevant constituent council.

(3) Where there are more than 10 relevant constituent councils, the minimum number of subscribers referred to in paragraph (1) shall be the number of relevant constituent councils multiplied by 10.

(4) Where a nomination paper has the signatures of more than the required number of persons as proposing, seconding or assenting to the nomination of a candidate, the signature or signatures (up to the required number) appearing first on the paper in each category must be taken into account to the exclusion of any others in that category.

(5) The nomination paper must give the electoral number⁽¹⁾ of each person subscribing it.

(6) The combined authority returning officer—

(a) must supply any elector with as many forms of nomination paper and forms of consent to nomination as may be required at the place and during the time for delivery of nomination papers, and

(b) must at any elector's request prepare a nomination paper for signature,

but it is not necessary for a nomination or consent to nomination to be on a form supplied by the combined authority returning officer.

(7) In this rule—

“elector” means a person entitled to vote as elector at the combined authority mayoral election⁽²⁾;

“local government elector” means a person who is registered in the register of local government electors at an address within the constituent council's area;

“relevant constituent council” means a district council which is a constituent council, or in the case of an area for which there is no district council, the county council.

(8) But, in this rule, “elector” does not include a person who has an anonymous entry in the register of local government electors.

(1) See section 9(3) of the Representation of the People Act 1983 (c. 2) for meaning of “electoral number”.

(2) See paragraph 6 of Schedule 5B to the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009 for entitlement to vote.