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SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 1

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Parliamentary election rules modified (N.I.) (*prosp.*) by Representation of the People Act 1985 (c. 50, SIF 42), s. 10, **Sch. 1 paras. 8–23**
- C1** Paras. 3–7 of Pt. II of Sch. 1 to Representation of the People Act 1985 (c. 50, SIF 42) have effect (N.I.) (*prosp.*) by virtue of s. 10 of, and Sch. 1 para. 2 to, that Act as additional rules in Sch. 1 to this Act
- C1** Sch. 1 applied with modifications (S.) by S.I. 1986/2213, **Rules 2, 5**
Sch. 1 applied (with modifications) (E.W.S.) (28.4.1999) by 1985 c. 50, s. 15(1)(2) (as applied (with modifications) (28.4.1999) by S.I. 1999/1214, reg. 8, **Sch. 3**) (which S.I. was revoked (23.3.2004) by S.I. 2004/293, **reg. 126**)
- C1** Sch. 1 modified (E.W.) by S.I. 1986/1081, **regs. 2, 97, 98, 100** (which S.I. was revoked (23.3.2004) by S.I. 2004/294, **reg. 3**)
- C1** Sch. 1 extended (with modifications) (N.I.) (4.5.1996) by S.I. 1996/1220, **art. 6(1)-(4)**
- C1** Sch. 1 modified (N.I.) (10.4.2001) by Elections Act 2001 (c. 7), s. 4, **Sch.** (as amended (16.12.2010) by S.I. 2010/2977, arts. 2(2), 6; (15.9.2014) by S.I. 2014/1116, arts. 1(1), 9; and (4.4.2024) by S.I. 2024/382, art. 1(2), **Sch. 5** (with art. 1(3)))
- C1** Sch. 1 modified (S.) by The Representation of the People (Scotland) Regulations 1986 (S.I. 1986/1111), regs. 2, **95, 96, 98** (as amended (16.1.2023) by The Voter Identification Regulations 2022 (S.I. 2022/1382), regs. 1(3), **36** (with reg. 1(6)(7)))
- C1** Sch. 1 modified (E.W.) (23.3.2004) by The Representation of the People (Combination of Polls) (England and Wales) Regulations 2004 (S.I. 2004/294), reg. 8, **Sch. 2** (as amended (22.5.2014) by S.I. 2014/920, regs. 1(1), **2(7)**, 3-6; (7.5.2015) by S.I. 2015/654, regs. 1(1), **2**); (16.1.2023) by The Voter Identification Regulations 2022 (S.I. 2022/1382), regs. 1(3), **37** (with reg. 1(6)(7)) and (with effect in accordance with reg. 1(2) of the amending S.I.) by The Representation of the People (Postal Vote Handling and Secrecy) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 (S.I. 2023/1225), **reg. 4**)

PART II

STAGES COMMON TO CONTESTED AND UNCONTESTED ELECTIONS

NOMINATION

Withdrawal of candidates

- 13 (1) A candidate may withdraw his candidature by notice of withdrawal—
- (a) signed by him and attested by one witness, and
 - (b) delivered to the returning officer at the place for delivery of nomination papers.

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- (2) Where a candidate is outside the United Kingdom, a notice of withdrawal signed by his proposer and accompanied by a written declaration also so signed of the candidate's absence from the United Kingdom shall be of the same effect as a notice of withdrawal signed by the candidate; but where the candidate stands nominated by more than one nomination paper a notice of withdrawal under this paragraph shall be effective if, and only if—
- (a) it and the accompanying declaration are signed by all the proposers except any who is, and is stated in that declaration to be, outside the United Kingdom; or
 - (b) it is accompanied, in addition to that declaration, by a written statement signed by the candidate that the proposer giving the notice is authorised to do so on the candidate's behalf during his absence from the United Kingdom.

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Sch. 1 rule 13 applied (N.I.) by S.I. 1986/2250, regs. 2, 3, 5, **Sch. 1 Pt. I**
- C2** Sch. 1 rule 13 applied (E.W.S.) by S.I. 1986/2209, regs. 2, 3, 5(1)(6)–(8), **Sch. 1 Pt. I**
- C3** Sch. 1 rule 13 applied (with modifications) (N.I.) (4.5.1996) by S.I. 1996/1220, art. 3(1)(5)–(8), **Sch. 1**
Sch. 1 rule 13 applied (with modifications) (1.8.2001) by S.I. 2001/2599, art. 3, Sch. 1 (as substituted (10.2.2009) by S.I. 2009/256, arts. 1(2), 3, **Sch. 1**)

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