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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15\(1\)\(2\)](#) (as applied (with modifications) (28.4.1999) by [S.I. 1999/1214](#), reg. 8, **Sch. 3**) (which S.I. was revoked (23.3.2004) by [S.I. 2004/293](#), **reg. 126**)
- C1** [Sch. 1](#) modified (E.W.) by [S.I. 1986/1081](#), **regs. 2, 97, 98, 100** (which S.I. was revoked (23.3.2004) by [S.I. 2004/294](#), **reg. 3**)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; and (15.9.2014) by [S.I. 2014/1116](#), arts. 1(1), 9)
- 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 IV

#### FINAL PROCEEDINGS IN CONTESTED AND UNCONTESTED ELECTIONS

##### *Declaration of result*

- 50 (1) In a contested election, when the result of the poll has been ascertained, the returning officer shall forthwith—
- (a) declare to be elected the candidate to whom the majority of votes has been given;
  - (b) return his name to the Clerk of the Crown; and
  - (c) give public notice of his name and of the total number of votes given for each candidate together with the number of rejected ballot papers under each head shown in the statement of rejected ballot papers.

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- (2) In an uncontested election, the statement of persons nominated, in addition to showing the person standing nominated, shall also declare that person elected, and the returning officer shall forthwith return his name to the Clerk of the Crown.

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- C1** Sch. 1 rule 50 applied with modifications (N.I.) by S.I. 1986/2250, regs. 2, 3, 5, **Sch. 1 Pt. I**
- C2** Sch. 1 rule 50 applied with modifications (E.W.S.) by S.I. 1986/2209, regs. 2, 3, 5(1)(6)–(8), **Sch. 1 Pt. I**
- C3** Sch. 1 para. 50 applied (with modifications) (N.I.) (4.5.1996) by S.I. 1996/1220, art. 3(1)(5)–(8), **Sch. 1**  
Sch. 1 rule 50 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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