



# Parliamentary Constituencies Act 1986

## CHAPTER 56

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#### SCHEDULES

##### SCHEDULE 1 — The Boundary Commissions

###### *Constitution*

- 1 The Speaker of the House of Commons shall be the...
- 2 Each of the four Commissions shall consist of the chairman,...
- 3 The deputy chairman— (a) in the case of the Commission...
- 4 A Member of any Commission (other than the chairman) shall...
- 4A In the case of a member of a Commission other...

###### *Officers*

- 5 The officers of each Commission shall include, as assessors, the...

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- 6 (1) The Secretary of State may, at the request of...  
7 The Secretary of State shall appoint a secretary to each...

*Expenses*

- 8 The expenses of each Commission, including the remuneration and travelling...

*Proceedings and instruments*

- 9 A Commission shall have power to act notwithstanding a vacancy...  
10 For the purpose of considering any matter of common concern,...  
11 Subject to the provisions of this Act, each of the...  
12 Every document purporting to be an instrument made or issued...

SCHEDULE 2 — Rules for distribution of seats

*Number of constituencies*

- 1 The number of constituencies in the United Kingdom shall be...

*Electorate per constituency*

- 2 (1) The electorate of any constituency shall be—

*Allocation of constituencies to parts of the United Kingdom*

- 3 (1) Each constituency shall be wholly in one of the...

*Area of constituencies*

- 4 (1) A constituency shall not have an area of more...

*Factors*

- 5 (1) A Boundary Commission may take into account, if and...

*Protected constituencies*

- 6 (1) There shall be two constituencies in the Isle of...

*Northern Ireland*

- 7 (1) In relation to Northern Ireland, sub-paragraph (2) below applies...

*The allocation method*

- 8 (1) The allocation method referred to in rule 3(2) is...

*Interpretation*

- 9 (1) This rule has effect for the purposes of this...

SCHEDULE 2A — Public hearings about Boundary Commission proposals

*Purpose of hearings*

- 1 The purpose of a public hearing is to enable representations...

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*Number of hearings*

- 2 (1) In relation to any particular report under section 3(1)(a)...

*Chair of hearing*

- 3 For each public hearing the Boundary Commission concerned shall appoint...

*Length of hearings*

- 4 A public hearing shall be completed within two days.

*Procedure at hearings*

- 5 It is for the chair of each public hearing to...  
6 The chair shall make arrangements for a public hearing to...  
7 (1) The chair of a public hearing must allow representations...  
8 (1) The chair may put questions, or allow questions to...

*Interpretation*

- 9 In this Schedule— “ the chair ” means the person...

SCHEDULE 3 — Consequential Amendments

*The Northern Ireland Constitution Act 1973*

- 1 Consequential Amendments  
2 Consequential Amendments

*The House of Commons Disqualification Act 1975*

- 3 In Part III of Schedule 1 to the House of...

*The Northern Ireland Assembly Disqualification Act 1975*

- 4 In Part III of Schedule 1 to the Northern Ireland...

*The European Parliamentary Elections Act 1978*

- 5 Consequential Amendments

*The Finance (No. 2) Act 1983*

- 6 Consequential Amendments

SCHEDULE 4 — Repeals

— TABLE OF DERIVATIONS

— NOTE: THE FOLLOWING ABBREVIATIONS ARE USED IN THIS TABLE:— 1949...

Note: The following abbreviations are used in this Table:—

— PROVISION DERIVATION 1(1) REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE ACT 1948 (C....

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