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# SCHEDULES

#### SCHEDULE 10

#### LIMITS ON CONTROLLED EXPENDITURE

#### PART II

#### **GENERAL LIMITS**

# Parliamentary general elections

- 3 (1) This paragraph imposes limits in relation to a parliamentary general election.
  - (2) The limit applying to controlled expenditure which is incurred by or on behalf of a recognised third party in the relevant period in each of England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland is—
    - [F1(a) in relation to England, 2% of the maximum campaign expenditure limit in England;
      - (b) in relation to Scotland, £20,000 plus 2% of the maximum campaign expenditure limit in Scotland;
      - (c) in relation to Wales, £20,000 plus 2% of the maximum campaign expenditure limit in Wales;
      - (d) in relation to Northern Ireland, £20,000 plus 2% of the maximum campaign expenditure limit in Northern Ireland.]
  - [F2(2A) The limit applying to controlled expenditure which is incurred by or on behalf of a recognised third party in the relevant period in any particular parliamentary constituency is 0.05% of the total of the maximum campaign expenditure limits in England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.]
    - (3) For the purposes of this paragraph the relevant period is—
      - (a) (subject to paragraph (b)) the period of 365 days ending with the date of the poll for the election;
      - (b) where the election ("the election in question") follows another parliamentary general election held less than 365 days previously, the period—
        - (i) beginning with the day after the date of the poll for the earlier election, and
        - (ii) ending with the date of the poll for the election in question.

# **Textual Amendments**

- F1 Sch. 10 para. 3(2)(a)-(d) substituted (30.1.2014) by Transparency of Lobbying, Non-Party Campaigning and Trade Union Administration Act 2014 (c. 4), ss. 28(7), 45(3)(b) (with s. 46(1)(2))
- F2 Sch. 10 para. 3(2A) inserted (30.1.2014) by Transparency of Lobbying, Non-Party Campaigning and Trade Union Administration Act 2014 (c. 4), ss. 29(6), 45(3)(b) (with s. 46(1)(2))

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#### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1 Sch. 10 para. 3 modified (cond.) (30.1.2014) by Transparency of Lobbying, Non-Party Campaigning and Trade Union Administration Act 2014 (c. 4), ss. 45(3)(d), 46(5)(6) (with s. 46(7))
- C2 Sch. 10 para. 3(3)(a) amended (with application if the date of the poll for the next parliamentary general election after 29.1.2001 is before 16.2.2002) by S.I. 2001/222, art. 2, Sch. 1 Pt. II para. 5(2)

#### **Commencement Information**

I1 Sch. 10 wholly in force at 16.2.2001; Sch. 10 not in force at Royal Assent, see s. 163(2); Sch. 10 in force at 16.2.2001 by S.I. 2001/222, art. 2, Sch. 1 Pt. I (subject to transitional provisions in Sch. 1 Pt. II)

## General elections to European Parliament

- 4 (1) This paragraph imposes limits in relation to a general election to the European Parliament.
  - (2) The limit applying to controlled expenditure which is incurred by or on behalf of a recognised third party in the relevant period in each of England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland is—
    - (a) in relation to England, £159,750;
    - (b) in relation to Scotland, £18,000;
    - (c) in relation to Wales, £11,259; and
    - (d) in relation to Northern Ireland, £6,750.
  - [F3(2A)] As respects a recognised Gibraltar third party, sub-paragraph (2) shall have effect as if for paragraphs (a) to (d) there were substituted—
    - (a) in relation to England, £16,000; and
    - (b) in relation to Scotland, Wales or Northern Ireland, £5,000.]
    - (3) For the purposes of this paragraph the relevant period is the period of four months ending with the date of the poll for the election.

#### **Textual Amendments**

F3 Sch. 10 para. 4(2A) inserted (5.2.2004) by The European Parliamentary Elections (Combined Region and Campaign Expenditure) (United Kingdom and Gibraltar) Order 2004 (S.I. 2004/366), arts. 1(2), 4(2), Sch. para. 36(c)

# **Commencement Information**

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## General elections to Scottish Parliament

- 5 (1) This paragraph imposes limits in relation to an ordinary or extraordinary general election to the Scottish Parliament.
  - (2) The limit applying to controlled expenditure which is incurred by or on behalf of a recognised third party in the relevant period in Scotland is £75,800.

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- (3) In the case of an ordinary general election, "the relevant period" for the purposes of this paragraph is the period beginning with the appropriate date (as defined by subparagraph (4)) and ending with the date of the poll.
- (4) In sub-paragraph (3) "the appropriate date" means the date which falls four months before the date of the poll where—
  - (a) the date of the poll is that determined by section 2(2) of the MI Scotland Act 1998; or
  - (b) no less than five months before the day on which the poll would have taken place under section 2(2) of that Act, the date of the poll is brought forward under section 2(5) of that Act; or
  - (c) no less than four months before the day on which the poll would have taken place under section 2(2) of that Act, the date of the poll is postponed under section 2(5) of that Act;

but where the date of the poll is brought forward or postponed otherwise than as mentioned in paragraph (b) or (c) above "the appropriate date" means the date which falls four months before the date when the poll would have taken place under section 2(2) of the Act.

(5) In the case of an extraordinary general election, "the relevant period" for the purposes of this paragraph is the period beginning with the date when the Presiding Officer proposes a day for the poll for the election under section 3(1) of the M2Scotland Act 1998 and ending with the date of the poll for the election.

# **Commencement Information**

I3 Sch. 10 wholly in force at 16.2.2001; Sch. 10 not in force at Royal Assent, see s. 163(2); Sch. 10 in force at 16.2.2001 by S.I. 2001/222, art. 2, Sch. 1 Pt. I (subject to transitional provisions in Sch. 1 Pt. II)

# **Marginal Citations**

M1 1998 c. 46.

M2 1998 c. 46.

# [F4General elections to the National Assembly for Wales]

## **Textual Amendments**

- F4 Sch. 10 para. 6 cross-heading substituted by The Government of Wales Act 2006 (Consequential Modifications and Transitional Provisions) Order 2007 (S.I. 2007/1388), art. 3, Sch. 1 para. 100(3), the amending provision coming into force immediately after the ordinary election under s. 3 of the Government of Wales Act 1998 (c. 38) held on 3.5.2007, see art. 1(2) of the amending S.I.
- 6 (1) This paragraph imposes limits in relation to [F5 an ordinary general election to the National Assembly for Wales].
  - (2) The limit applying to controlled expenditure which is incurred by or on behalf of a recognised third party in the relevant period in Wales is £30,000.

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- (3) [F6In the case of an ordinary general election] "the relevant period" is the period beginning with the appropriate date (as defined by sub-paragraph (4)) and ending with the date of the poll.
- (4) In sub-paragraph (3) "the appropriate date" is the date which falls four months before the date of the poll where—
  - (a) the date of the poll is that determined by [F7 section 3(1) of the Government of Wales Act 2006];
  - (b) no less than five months before the day on which the poll would have taken place under [F8 section 3(1) of that Act], the date of the poll is brought forward under [F9 section 4(1) of that Act]; or
  - (c) no less than four months before the day on which the poll would have taken place under [F8 section 3(1) of that Act], the date of the poll is postponed under [F9 section 4(1) of that Act];

but where the date of the poll is brought forward or postponed otherwise than as mentioned in paragraph (b) or (c) above "the appropriate date" means the date which falls four months before the date when the poll would have taken place under [F10] section 3(1) of that Act].

[F11(5)] In the case of an extraordinary general election, "the relevant period" for the purposes of this paragraph is the period beginning with the date when the Secretary of State proposes a date for the poll for the election under section 5(1) of the Government of Wales Act 2006 and ending with the date of the poll for the election.]

#### **Textual Amendments**

- Words in Sch. 10 para. 6(1) substituted by The Government of Wales Act 2006 (Consequential Modifications and Transitional Provisions) Order 2007 (S.I. 2007/1388), art. 3, Sch. 1 para. 100(4) (a), the amending provision coming into force immediately after the ordinary election under s. 3 of the Government of Wales Act 1998 (c. 38) held on 3.5.2007, see art. 1(2) of the amending S.I.
- Words in Sch. 10 para. 6(3) substituted by The Government of Wales Act 2006 (Consequential Modifications and Transitional Provisions) Order 2007 (S.I. 2007/1388), art. 3, Sch. 1 para. 100(4)
  (b), the amending provision coming into force immediately after the ordinary election under s. 3 of the Government of Wales Act 1998 (c. 38) held on 3.5.2007, see art. 1(2) of the amending S.I.
- Words in Sch. 10 para. 6(4)(a) substituted by The Government of Wales Act 2006 (Consequential Modifications and Transitional Provisions) Order 2007 (S.I. 2007/1388), art. 3, Sch. 1 para. 100(4) (c), the amending provision coming into force immediately after the ordinary election under s. 3 of the Government of Wales Act 1998 (c. 38) held on 3.5.2007, see art. 1(2) of the amending S.I.
- F8 Words in Sch. 10 para. 6(4)(b)(c) substituted by The Government of Wales Act 2006 (Consequential Modifications and Transitional Provisions) Order 2007 (S.I. 2007/1388), art. 3, Sch. 1 para. 100(4)(d) (i), the amending provision coming into force immediately after the ordinary election under s. 3 of the Government of Wales Act 1998 (c. 38) held on 3.5.2007, see art. 1(2) of the amending S.I.
- F9 Words in Sch. 10 para. 6(4)(b)(c) substituted by The Government of Wales Act 2006 (Consequential Modifications and Transitional Provisions) Order 2007 (S.I. 2007/1388), art. 3, Sch. 1 para. 100(4)(d) (ii), the amending provision coming into force immediately after the ordinary election under s. 3 of the Government of Wales Act 1998 (c. 38) held on 3.5.2007, see art. 1(2) of the amending S.I.
- F10 Words in Sch. 10 para. 6 substituted by The Government of Wales Act 2006 (Consequential Modifications and Transitional Provisions) Order 2007 (S.I. 2007/1388), art. 3, Sch. 1 para. 100(4)(e), the amending provision coming into force immediately after the ordinary election under s. 3 of the Government of Wales Act 1998 (c. 38) held on 3.5.2007, see art. 1(2) of the amending S.I.

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F11 Sch. 10 para. 6(5) added by The Government of Wales Act 2006 (Consequential Modifications and Transitional Provisions) Order 2007 (S.I. 2007/1388), art. 3, Sch. 1 para. 100(4)(f), the amending provision coming into force immediately after the ordinary election under s. 3 of the Government of Wales Act 1998 (c. 38) held on 3.5.2007, see art. 1(2) of the amending S.I.

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# General elections to Northern Ireland Assembly

- 7 (1) This paragraph imposes limits in relation to an ordinary or extraordinary general election to the Northern Ireland Assembly.
  - (2) The limit applying to controlled expenditure which is incurred by or on behalf of a recognised third party in the relevant period in Northern Ireland is £15,300.
  - (3) In the case of an ordinary general election, "the relevant period" for the purposes of this paragraph is the period beginning with the appropriate date (as defined by subparagraph (4)) and ending with the date of the poll.
  - (4) In sub-paragraph (3) "the appropriate date" means the date which falls four months before the date of the poll where—
    - (a) the date of the poll is that determined by section 31(1) and (2) of the M3Northern Ireland Act 1998; or
    - (b) no less than five months before the day on which the poll would have taken place under section 31(1) and (2) of that Act, the date of the poll is brought forward under section 31(3) of that Act; or
    - (c) no less than four months before the day on which the poll would have taken place under section 31(1) and (2) of that Act, the date of the poll is postponed under section 31(3) of that Act;

but where the date of the poll is brought forward or postponed otherwise than as mentioned in paragraph (b) or (c) above "the appropriate date" means the date which falls four months before the date when the poll would have taken place under section 31(1) and (2) of that Act.

(5) In the case of an extraordinary general election, "the relevant period" for the purposes of this paragraph is the period beginning with the date when the Secretary of State proposes a date for the poll for the election under section 32(1) or (3) of the M4Northern Ireland Act 1998 and ending with the date of the poll for the election.

# **Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

- C3 Sch. 10 para. 7 amended (20.3.2003) by Northern Ireland Assembly Elections Act 2003 (c. 3), s. 1(4)
- C4 Sch. 10 para. 7 modified (15.5.2003) by Northern Ireland Assembly (Elections and Periods of Suspension) Act 2003 (c. 12), s. 1(4)(b)

### **Commencement Information**

I5 Sch. 10 wholly in force at 16.2.2001; Sch. 10 not in force at Royal Assent, see s. 163(2); Sch. 10 in force at 16.2.2001 by S.I. 2001/222, art. 2, Sch. 1 Pt. I (subject to transitional provisions in Sch. 1 Pt. II)

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