
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**The Local Authorities (Mayoral Elections)
(England and Wales) Regulations 2002**

Free delivery of election addresses

7.—(1) Each candidate at a mayoral election shall be entitled (subject to and in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 4 to these Regulations) to have an election address prepared on behalf of the candidate included in a booklet of election addresses—

- (a) prepared by the returning officer; and
- (b) delivered by that officer to each person entitled to vote at that election⁽¹⁾.

(2) Candidates' election addresses shall be delivered at the expense of the authority for whose electoral area the election is held.

(3) Schedule 4 to these Regulations (which makes provision supplementing paragraph (1) above) shall have effect.

(4) In this regulation—

“electoral area”—

- (a) in relation to a mayoral election in England, means the county, district or London borough in which the election is held;
- (b) in relation to a mayoral election in Wales, means the county or county borough in which the election is held; and

“returning officer”, in relation to a mayoral election, means—

- (a) the proper officer of the London borough concerned or, as the case may be, the person appointed as the returning officer for the election in accordance with subsection (1) or (1A) of section 35 (returning officers: local elections in England and Wales)⁽²⁾ of the 1983 Act; and
- (b) any person appointed under subsection (4) of that Act by a person of a description mentioned in paragraph (a).

(1) As to the persons entitled to vote at mayoral elections, *see* section 43(1) of the Local Government Act 2000.

(2) Section 35(1) was amended, and section 35(1A) inserted, by the Local Government (Wales) Act 1994 (c. 19), Schedule 16, paragraph 68(7). Subsections (1), (1A) and (3) of section 35 are modified, for the purposes of mayoral elections, by regulation 3(2) of, and Table 1 in Schedule 2 to, these Regulations. For the definition of “proper officer”, relevant to section 35(3), *see* section 202(1) of the Representation of the People Act 1983, as substituted by the Greater London Authority Act 1999, Schedule 3, and section 270 of the Local Government Act 1972 (c. 70).