

SCHEDULE 1

Absent voting at Assembly elections

Grant or refusal of applications

8.—(1) Where the registration officer grants an application to vote by post he shall notify the applicant of his decision.

(2) Where the registration officer grants an application for the appointment of a proxy, he shall confirm in writing to the elector that the proxy has been appointed, his name and address and the duration of the appointment.

(3) The proxy paper to be issued by the registration officer on the appointment of a proxy shall be in form CA set out in English and Welsh in Schedule 10 (but this may be combined with another form of proxy paper if the registration officer is issuing a proxy paper appointing that person as proxy for the same elector in respect of another election or other elections).

(4) Where the registration officer refuses an application for an absent vote he shall notify the applicant of his decision and the reason for it.

(5) Where the registration officer grants an application made under —

(a) article 9(3)(a) by a person shown as voting by post in the record kept under article 8(3); or

(b) article 12(7) by a person shown as voting by post in the record kept under article 12(6),

he shall notify the applicant of this.

(6) Where a person is removed from the record kept pursuant to article 8(3), the registration officer shall, where practicable notify him of this and the reason for it.

(7) Where the appointment of a proxy is cancelled by the elector or otherwise ceases to be in force, the registration officer shall, where practicable notify the elector that the appointment has been cancelled or, as the case may be, notify him that the appointment has ceased and the reason for it.

(8) Where under paragraph 7 of this Schedule the registration officer refuses or disregards an application for the purposes of any Assembly election, he shall notify the applicant of this.

(9) At an Assembly election where the registration officer is not the returning officer for any constituency or part of a constituency in the area for which he is the registration officer, he shall send to that returning officer details of any application to vote by post which he has granted as soon as practicable after doing so.