

## SCHEDULE 3

### THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE ACT REFERENDUMS RULES

#### PART 4

##### Action to be taken before the poll

###### Issue of official poll cards

**16.**—(1) The counting officer must as soon as practicable after the publication of the notice of the referendum send to each voter and proxy an official poll card.

(2) The official poll card must be sent or delivered—

- (a) in the case of a voter, to his or her qualifying address, and
- (b) in the case of a proxy, to his or her address as shown in the list of proxies.

(3) The official poll card must be in the appropriate form in the Appendix, or a form to the like effect, and must set out—

- (a) the name of the relevant billing authority and of the voting area;
- (b) the name of the voter and his or her qualifying address and number on the register;
- (c) the date and hours of the poll and the situation of the voter's polling station;
- (d) such other information as the counting officer thinks appropriate,

and different information may be provided in pursuance of sub-paragraph (d) to different voters or to different descriptions of voter

(4) In the case of a voter who has an anonymous entry in the register, instead of containing the matter mentioned in paragraph (3)(b), the poll card must contain such matter as is specified in the appropriate form in the Appendix.

(5) In this rule references to a voter—

- (a) are to a person who is registered in the register of local government electors for the voting area in question on the last day for the publication of notice of the referendum; and
- (b) include a person then shown in the register as below voting age if (but only if) it appears from the register that he or she will be of voting age on the day fixed for the poll.

**Changes to legislation:**

There are outstanding changes not yet made by the legislation.gov.uk editorial team to The Local Authorities (Conduct of Referendums) (Council Tax Increases) (England) Regulations 2012. Any changes that have already been made by the team appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Instrument associated Parts and Chapters:**

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Instrument (including any effects on those provisions):

- Sch. 3 rule 17(5A) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1309 reg. 9\(2\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#)
- Sch. 3 rule 14(5) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 52\(4\)](#)
- Sch. 3 rule 17(5)(aa) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 52\(6\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#)
- Sch. 3 rule 17(6A) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 52\(6\)\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 3 rule 24(2A) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 52\(7\)\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 3 rule 24(5) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 52\(7\)\(e\)](#)
- Sch. 3 rule 26(1A)-(1M) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 52\(8\)\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 3 rule 27(1A) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 52\(9\)\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 3 rule 28(2A) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 52\(10\)\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 3 rule 29(7) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 52\(11\)](#)
- Sch. 3 rule 30A inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 52\(12\)](#)
- Sch. 3 rule 34(1)(da) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 52\(13\)](#)
- Sch. 3 rule 42(2)(ba) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 52\(14\)](#)
- Sch. 3 rule 43(1)(da) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 52\(15\)](#)
- Sch. 3 rule 44(1A) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 52\(16\)](#)
- Sch. 3 rule 21(1)(ba) inserted by [S.I. 2023/1225 reg. 7\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- Sch. 3 rule 36(3)(e) and word inserted by [S.I. 2023/1225 reg. 7\(2\)\(b\)\(ii\)](#)
- Sch. 3 rule 24 modified (temp.) by [S.I. 2023/1147 Sch. 2 para. 15\(2\)\(3\)](#)
- Sch. 3 rule 17(9) omitted by [S.I. 2022/1309 reg. 9\(2\)\(a\)\(iii\)](#)
- Sch. 3 rule 26(1)(a) omitted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 52\(8\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#)
- Sch. 3 rule 26(3)(a) omitted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 52\(8\)\(d\)](#)
- Sch. 3 rule 17(5)(b) substituted by [S.I. 2022/1309 reg. 9\(2\)\(a\)\(i\)](#)
- Sch. 3 rule 2(1) substituted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 52\(3\)](#)
- Sch. 3 rule 24(3)-(3B) substituted for Sch. 3 rule 24(3) by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 52\(7\)\(c\)](#)
- Sch. 3 rule 17(5)(a) word omitted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 52\(6\)\(a\)\(i\)](#)
- Sch. 3 rule 36(3)(c) word omitted by [S.I. 2023/1225 reg. 7\(2\)\(b\)\(i\)](#)
- Sch. 3 rule 24 Table words inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 52\(7\)\(a\)](#)
- Sch. 3 rule 24(4) words inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 52\(7\)\(d\)](#)
- Sch. 3 rule 24(1)(b) words inserted by [S.I. 2023/1147 reg. 16\(3\)\(a\)](#)
- Sch. 3 rule 26(2) words omitted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 52\(8\)\(c\)](#)
- Sch. 3 rule 24 table words omitted by [S.I. 2023/1147 reg. 16\(3\)\(b\)\(ii\)](#)
- Sch. 3 rule 28(3) words substituted by [S.I. 2022/1309 reg. 9\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 3 rule 15(3) words substituted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 52\(5\)](#)
- Sch. 3 rule 26(1) words substituted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 52\(8\)\(a\)\(i\)](#)
- Sch. 3 rule 27(1) words substituted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 52\(9\)\(a\)](#)
- Sch. 3 rule 28(2) words substituted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 52\(10\)\(a\)](#)
- Sch. 3 rule 24 table words substituted by [S.I. 2023/1147 reg. 16\(3\)\(b\)\(i\)](#)
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- Sch. 5 rule 17(5A) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 54\(6\)\(a\)](#)
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- Sch. 5 rule 30(2A) inserted by S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 54(10)(b)
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- Sch. 5 rule 45(1)(da) inserted by S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 54(15)
- Sch. 5 rule 46(1A) inserted by S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 54(16)
- Sch. 5 rule 23(1)(ba) inserted by S.I. 2023/1225 reg. 7(4)(b)
- Sch. 5 rule 38(7)(e) and word inserted by S.I. 2023/1225 reg. 7(4)(c)(ii)
- Sch. 5 rule 26 modified (temp.) by S.I. 2023/1147 Sch. 2 para. 15(2)(3)
- Sch. 5 rule 17(11) omitted by S.I. 2022/1309 reg. 9(3)(a)(iii)
- Sch. 5 rule 28(1)(a) omitted by S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 54(8)(a)(ii)
- Sch. 5 rule 28(3)(a) omitted by S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 54(8)(d)
- Sch. 5 rule 17(6)(b) substituted by S.I. 2022/1309 reg. 9(3)(a)(i)
- Sch. 5 rule 26(3)-(3B) substituted for Sch. 5 rule 26(3) by S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 54(7)(c)
- Sch. 5 rule 2(1)(a) word omitted by S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 54(3)(b)
- Sch. 5 rule 38(7)(c) word omitted by S.I. 2023/1225 reg. 7(4)(c)(i)
- Sch. 5 rule 26 Table words inserted by S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 54(7)(a)
- Sch. 5 rule 26(4) words inserted by S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 54(7)(d)
- Sch. 5 rule 26(1)(b) words inserted by S.I. 2023/1147 reg. 16(7)(a)
- Sch. 5 rule 28(2) words omitted by S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 54(8)(c)
- Sch. 5 rule 26 table words omitted by S.I. 2023/1147 reg. 16(7)(b)(ii)
- Sch. 5 rule 12(4)(b) words revoked by S.I. 2018/1310 Sch. 1 Pt. 2 (This S.I. is amended by S.I. 2019/1389, reg. 2)
- Sch. 5 rule 17(10) words revoked by S.I. 2018/1310 Sch. 1 Pt. 2 (This S.I. is amended by S.I. 2019/1389, reg. 2)
- Sch. 5 rule 38(9)(a) words revoked by S.I. 2018/1310 Sch. 1 Pt. 2 (This S.I. is amended by S.I. 2019/1389, reg. 2)
- Sch. 5 rule 30(3) words substituted by S.I. 2022/1309 reg. 9(3)(b)
- Sch. 5 rule 15(3) words substituted by S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 54(5)
- Sch. 5 rule 28(1) words substituted by S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 54(8)(a)(i)
- Sch. 5 rule 29(1) words substituted by S.I. 2022/1382 reg. 54(9)(a)
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- Sch. 5 rule 26 table words substituted by S.I. 2023/1147 reg. 16(7)(b)(i)
- Sch. 5 rule 26(2) words substituted by S.I. 2023/1147 reg. 16(7)(c)
- Sch. 5 rule 17(10) words substituted by S.I. 2023/1225 reg. 7(4)(a)