

SCHEDULE 1

Preamble

ENABLING POWERS

These Regulations are made under the following powers:

- (a) sections 9B(1)(c)(**1**), 9E(2), (3) and (6)(**2**), 10ZC(2) and (3)(**3**), 10ZD(2) and (3)(**4**), 10ZE(4) and (6)(a)(**5**), 53(1), (3) and (4)(**6**) and 201(1) and (3)(**7**) of the Representation of the People Act 1983 (“the 1983 Act”)(**8**);
- (b) Schedule ZA1(**9**), rules 24(**10**), 28(3) and (3A)(**11**) and 32(3) of Schedule 1 and paragraphs 1(2)(**12**) and (2A)(**13**), 1A(**14**), 3ZA(**15**), 5(1B)(**16**), 5A(**17**), 8C(**18**), 10B(**19**), 11(1) and (2)(**20**), 12(**21**) and 13(1ZB)(**22**) and (1A)(**23**) of Schedule 2 to the 1983 Act;
- (c) having regard to the definition of “prescribed” in section 202(1) of the 1983 Act, section 13AB of that Act(**24**);
- (d) section 3(6)(b) of the Representation of the People Act 1985(**25**);
- (e) having regard to the definition of “prescribed” in section 202(1) of the 1983 Act and paragraph 1(2) of Schedule 4 to the Representation of the People Act 2000(**26**), paragraphs 4(2) and 6(8) of that Schedule; and
- (f) paragraphs 7B(**27**) and 7E(**28**) of Schedule 4 to the Representation of the People Act 2000.

-
- (1) Section 9B(1)(c) was inserted by section 10(1) of the Electoral Administration Act 2006 (c.22).
 - (2) Section 9E(2), (3) and (6) were inserted by section 5 of the Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013 (c.6).
 - (3) Section 10ZC(2) and (3) were inserted by section 1 of the Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013 (c.6).
 - (4) Section 10ZD(2) and (3) were inserted by paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 to the Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013 (c.6).
 - (5) Section 10ZE(4) and (6) were inserted by paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 to the Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013 (c.6).
 - (6) Section 53(1)(b) was substituted by section 8 of and paragraphs 1 and 13(b) of Schedule 1 to the Representation of the People Act 2000 (c.2); section 53(3) was amended by paragraph 13 of Schedule 4 to the Representation of the People Act 1985 (c.50); section 53(4) was inserted by section 74(1) of and paragraphs 104 and 109 of Part 7 of Schedule 1 to the Electoral Administration Act 2006 (c. 22).
 - (7) Section 201(3) was inserted by paragraphs 1 and 21 of Schedule 1 to the Representation of the People Act 2000 (c.2).
 - (8) 1983 c. 2.
 - (9) Schedule ZA1 was inserted by Schedule 3 to the Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013 (c.6).
 - (10) Rule 24 was substituted by section 37 of the Electoral Administration Act 2006 (c.22).
 - (11) Rule 28(3) was amended by paragraphs 69, 70(1) and (3) of Schedule 1 to the Electoral Administration Act 2006 (c.22).
 - (12) Paragraph 1(2) was amended by section 13(1) of and paragraphs 1, 20(1) and (2)(a) of Schedule 4 to the Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013 (c.6).
 - (13) Paragraph 1(2A) was inserted by section 2 of and Schedule 2 to the Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013 (c.6).
 - (14) Paragraph 1A was inserted by section 2 of and Schedule 2 to the Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013 (c.6).
 - (15) Paragraph 3ZA was inserted by section 2 of and Schedule 2 to the Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013 (c.6).
 - (16) Paragraph 5(1B) was inserted by section 10(2) and paragraphs 2, 15(1) and (5) of Schedule 1 to the Electoral Administration Act 2006 (c.22).
 - (17) Paragraph 5A was inserted by Schedule 2 to the Representation of the People Act 1985 and amended by paragraphs 3 and 11 of Schedule 6 to the Representation of the People Act 2000 (c.2).
 - (18) Paragraph 8C was inserted by section 2 of and Schedule 2 to the Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013 (c.6).
 - (19) Paragraph 10B was inserted by section 9 of the Representation of the People Act 2000 (c.2).
 - (20) Paragraph 11 was substituted by section 9 of the Representation of the People Act 2000 (c.2).
 - (21) Paragraph 12 was amended by paragraphs 69 and 94 of Schedule 1 to the Electoral Administration Act 2006 (c.22).
 - (22) Paragraph 13(1ZB) was inserted by section 2 of and Schedule 2 to the Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013 (c.6).
 - (23) Paragraph 13(1A) was inserted by section 9 of the Representation of the People Act 2000 (c.2).
 - (24) Section 13AB was inserted by section 16 of the Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013 (c.6).
 - (25) 1985 c.50.
 - (26) 2000 c.2.
 - (27) Paragraph 7B was inserted by section 14 of the Electoral Administration Act 2006 (c.22).
 - (28) Paragraph 7E was inserted by section 22 of the Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013 (c.6).

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

SCHEDULE 2

Regulation 2

REVOCATIONS

<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>
<i>Regulations revoked</i>	<i>References</i>	<i>Extent of revocation</i>
1. The Representation of the People (Scotland) Regulations 2001	S.I. 2001/497	Regulation 20.
2. The Representation of the People (Scotland) Regulations 2001	S.I. 2001/497	Regulations 81(5)(b), 85 and 85B.
3. The Representation of the People (Scotland) (Amendment) Regulations 2002	S.I. 2002/1872	Regulation 13.
4. The Representation of the People (Form of Canvass) (Scotland) Regulations 2006	S.I. 2006/1836	The whole of the regulations.
5. The Representation of the People (Scotland) (Amendment) Regulations 2007	S.I. 2007/925	Regulation 35(3), (4), (5) and (6). Regulations 54(b)(ii) and 55. In Schedule 2, Forms A, A1, B, B1, G, H and J.
6. The Representation of the People (Scotland) (Amendment) Regulations 2008	S.I. 2008/305	Regulation 9. Regulation 10, insofar as it inserts regulation 85B into S.I. 2001/497 . Regulation 12(1). In the Schedule, Forms A1, B1, G, H and J.

SCHEDULE 3

Regulation 47

Form of words about the two versions of the register

Short version of the form of words

There are two registers. Why?

Using information received from the public, registration officers keep two registers – the electoral register and the open register (also known as the edited register).

The electoral register lists the names and addresses of everyone who is registered to vote in public elections. The register is used for electoral purposes, such as making sure only eligible people can vote. It is also used for other limited purposes specified in law, such as:

- detecting crime (e.g. fraud)
- calling people for jury service

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

- checking credit applications.

The open register is an extract of the electoral register, but is not used for elections. It can be bought by any person, company or organisation. For example, it is used by businesses and charities to confirm name and address details.

Your name and address will be included in the open register unless you ask for them to be removed. Removing your details from the open register does not affect your right to vote.

Long version of the form of words

There are two registers. Why?

Using information received from the public, registration officers keep two registers – the electoral register and the open register (also known as the edited register).

The electoral register lists the names and addresses of everyone who is registered to vote in public elections.

The register is used for electoral purposes – such as making sure only eligible people can vote – and for other limited purposes specified in law. The personal data in the register must always be processed in line with data-protection legislation.

Who uses the electoral register?

- Election staff, political parties, candidates and holders of elected office use the register for electoral purposes.
- Your local council and the British Library hold copies that anyone may look at under supervision. A copy is also held by the Electoral Commission, the Boundary Commissions (which set constituency boundaries for most elections) and the Office for National Statistics.
- The council can use the register for duties relating to security, enforcing the law and preventing crime. The police and the security services can also use it for law enforcement.
- The register is used when calling people for jury service.
- Government departments may buy the register from local registration officers and use it to help prevent and detect crime. They can also use it to safeguard national security by checking the background of job applicants and employees.
- Credit reference agencies can buy the register. They help other organisations to check the names and addresses of people applying for credit. They also use it to carry out identity checks when trying to prevent and detect money laundering.

It is a criminal offence for anyone to supply or use the register for anything else.

The open register is an extract of the electoral register, but is not used for elections. It can be bought by any person, company or organisation. For example, it is used by businesses and charities to confirm name and address details. The personal data in the register must always be processed in line with data-protection legislation.

Your name and address will be included in the open register unless you ask to be removed from it. Removing your details from the open register would not affect your right to vote.

Who uses the open register?

Users of the open register include:

- businesses checking the identity and address details of people who apply for their services such as insurance, goods hire and property rental, as well as when they shop online.
- businesses selling age-restricted goods or services, such as alcohol and gambling online, to meet the rules on verifying the age of their customers.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

- charities and voluntary agencies, for example to help maintain contact information for those who have chosen to donate bone marrow and to help people separated by adoption to find each other.
- charities, to help with fundraising and contacting people who have made donations.
- debt-collection agencies when tracing people who have changed address without telling their creditors.
- direct-marketing firms when maintaining their mailing lists.
- landlords and letting agents when checking the identity of potential tenants.
- local councils when identifying and contacting residents.
- online directory firms to help users of the websites find people, such as when reuniting friends and families.
- organisations tracing and identifying beneficiaries of wills, pensions and insurance policies.
- private-sector firms to verify details of job applicants.

SCHEDULE 4

Regulations 48, 49 and 50

FORMS

Arrangement of forms

Form A:	Official poll card (to be sent to an elector voting in person)
Form A1:	Official postal poll card (to be sent to an elector voting by post)
Form B:	Official proxy poll card (to be sent to an appointed proxy voting in person)
Form B1:	Official proxy postal poll card (to be sent to an appointed proxy voting by post)
Form F:	Certificate of employment
Form G:	Postal voting statement (for use at parliamentary election taken alone)
Form H:	Postal voting statement (for use when postal ballots are combined)
Form J:	Postal voting statement (for use when a parliamentary poll is combined with another poll but the postal ballots are not combined)

Form A: Official poll card (to be sent to an elector voting in person)

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

Front of card

Poll card	
Election of Member of Parliament for the [insert name of constituency] constituency	
Date of election [Day] [Date] [Name of the Month] [Year]	
Voting information	
Polling day	
Voting hours	
Your polling station will be	

Your details: * [Elector's name and qualifying address details here] * Returning Officer to omit where poll card sent to an anonymous elector. Poll card to an anonymous elector must be delivered in a sealed envelope Number on register: ** [You do not need to take this card with you in order to vote.] ** [You must have this card with you. You cannot vote without it.] ** If anonymous elector omit the words in the first set of brackets, if not omit the words in the second set of brackets. [insert helpline and other details including website].

Please turn over

Back of card

<p>This space for map or other information such as helpline and website details</p>

It is an offence to:

- vote more than once at this election, unless you are voting on your own behalf and as a proxy for another person
- vote as a proxy at this election for more than two people, unless you are their spouse, civil partner, parent, grandparent, brother, sister, child or grandchild
- vote as a proxy for someone if you know that by law they are not allowed to vote

<p>i If you need any help or to find out if your polling station is accessible, please contact us. [Returning Officer to add contact details including website if appropriate]</p>

If undelivered return to:
[insert return address]

<p>If you are away or cannot go to the polling station on [day] [date of poll] you can do one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Apply to vote by post. Completed applications must reach us before 5pm on [day] [date of deadline]. If you are given a postal vote, you will not be able to vote in person at this election. <p>OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Apply to vote by proxy (this means someone else can vote on your behalf). Completed applications must reach us before 5pm on [day] [date of deadline]. If you appoint a proxy, you can vote if you wish, but only if your proxy has not already voted on your behalf and has not got a postal vote for you.

<p>If after 5pm on [the sixth day before the date of the poll] you are unable to vote in person because you:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Have a medical emergency after 5pm on [day] [date of deadline]• Learn you cannot go to the polling station because of work reasons <p>You can apply to vote by proxy. Completed applications must reach us before 5pm on [day] [date of deadline]. To find out how to apply, call the helpline immediately.</p>
--

The Returning Officer issued this card.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

Form A1: Official postal poll card (to be sent to an elector voting by post)

Front of card

Postal poll card
Election of Member of Parliament for the <i>[insert name of constituency] constituency</i>
Date of election <i>[Day] [Date] [Name of the Month]</i> <i>[Year]</i>

Voting information
We will send your postal vote around <i>(name of day)</i> <i>[date] [name of month] [year]</i> *[addressed to:]
<i>*[Elector's name and address]</i>

Please turn over

Your details:
<i>* [Elector's name and qualifying address details here]</i>
<i>* Returning Officer to omit in both places where poll card sent to an anonymous elector: Poll card to an anonymous elector must be delivered in a sealed envelope</i>
Number on register:

Your postal vote

- You will receive a postal vote for this election because you asked to vote by post.
- You will not be able to vote in a polling station.
- If you have not received your postal vote by *[day] [date] [name of month]* call *[insert helpline number]*.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

Back of card

<p>How to vote</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. When you receive your postal vote, read the instructions carefully.2. Your postal vote includes your ballot paper and a postal voting statement.3. Complete both of these and return them immediately.4. We need to receive your postal vote by 10pm on <i>[day/date of poll]</i>.	<p>If you lose your postal vote or make a mistake</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Please phone the helpline immediately.• We can only issue a replacement postal vote before 5pm on <i>[day/date of deadline]</i>. <p>If you would rather vote in person, or ask someone else to vote on your behalf, you must cancel your postal vote before 5pm on <i>[day/date of deadline]</i>. For more information, please call the helpline.</p>
<p>📞 If you need information in another format, please call our helpline below.</p> <p>📞 If you need help to vote, you can ask someone you know or get independent help by calling our helpline:</p> <p><i>[insert helpline and other details including website]</i></p>	<p>It is an offence to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• vote using a ballot paper that was not sent for your use or interfere with another voter's ballot paper• vote more than once at this election, unless you are voting on your own behalf and as a proxy for another person• vote as a proxy at this election for more than two people, unless you are their spouse, civil partner, parent, grandparent, brother, sister, child or grandchild• vote as a proxy for someone if you know that by law they are not allowed to vote

The Returning Officer issued this card.

If undelivered return to *[insert return address]*

Form B: Official proxy poll card (to be sent to an appointed proxy voting in person)

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

Front of card

Proxy poll card
Election of Member of Parliament for the <i>[insert name of constituency] constituency</i>
Date of election <i>[Day] [Date] [Name of the Month]</i> <i>[Year]</i>

Voting information	
Polling day	
Voting hours	
Your polling station will be	

Please turn over

<p>Your details:</p> <p>* <i>[Proxy's name and qualifying address details here]</i></p> <p>* <i>Returning Officer to omit where poll card sent to the proxy of an anonymous elector. Poll card to proxy of an anonymous elector must be delivered in a sealed envelope.</i></p>
--

You will receive a proxy vote

- ** *[The person named on the back of this card] [Another person] has appointed you as a proxy to vote on their behalf at this election.*
- ** *[You do not need to take this card with you to vote.] [You must have this card with you when you vote. You cannot vote as a proxy without it.]*
- ** *if sent to the proxy of an anonymous elector omit the words in each of the first sets of brackets, if not omit the words in each of the second sets of brackets.*

[insert helpline and other details including website].

Back of card

For this election you are proxy for:

- * *[Elector's name]*
- [Elector's address]*
- [Elector's number on register]*
- [the person with this elector number: (insert elector's number on register)]*
- * *if anonymous elector omit the words in the first set of square brackets, if not omit the words in the second set of square brackets*

The person you are proxy for can vote themselves if they wish – but only if you have not already voted on their behalf.

This space for map or other information such as helpline and website details

📞 If you need any help or to find out if your polling station is accessible, please contact us.
[Returning Officer to add contact details including website if appropriate]

How to vote as a proxy

1. * *[At the polling station, tell the staff that you are a proxy for the person named above. They will give you that person's ballot paper.] * [At the polling station, ask to speak to the presiding officer and show them this card. They will give you the ballot paper of the person you are proxy for.]*
- * *if anonymous elector omit the words in the first set of square brackets, if not omit the words in the second set of square brackets*
2. *Go to one of the voting booths.*
3. *Follow the instructions on how to mark the ballot paper.*
4. *Fold the ballot paper and put in the ballot box.*

If you need any help, just ask the staff.

<p>If you are away or cannot go to the polling station on <i>[day] [date of poll]</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● You can apply to vote by post. The deadline for completed applications is 5pm on <i>[day] [date of deadline]</i>. ● If you are given a postal vote, you or the person you are proxy for will not be able to vote in person at this election. ● To find out how to apply, please call us on <i>[insert helpline number or other contact details]</i>.
--

It is an offence to:

- vote more than once at this election, unless you are voting on your own behalf and as a proxy for another person
- vote as a proxy at this election for more than two people, unless you are their spouse, civil partner, parent, grandparent, brother, sister, child or grandchild
- vote as a proxy for someone if you know that by law they are not allowed to vote

The Returning Officer issued this card.

If undelivered return to
[insert return address]

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

Form B1: Official proxy postal poll card (to be sent to an appointed proxy voting by post)

Front of card

Proxy postal poll card
Election of Member of Parliament for the <i>[insert name of constituency] constituency</i>
Date of election <i>[Day] [Date] [Name of the Month]</i> <i>[Year]</i>

Voting information
We will send your postal vote around <i>(name of day)</i> <i>[date] [name of month] [year]</i> [*] <i>[addressed to:]</i>
[*] <i>[Proxy's name and qualifying address details here]</i> [^] <i>Returning Officer to omit where poll card sent to the proxy of an anonymous elector. Poll card to proxy of an anonymous elector must be delivered in a sealed envelope.</i>

Voting as a proxy

^{**} [The person named on the back of this card] [Another person] has appointed you as a proxy to vote on their behalf at this election.

^{**} *If sent to the proxy of an anonymous elector omit the words in the first set of brackets, if not omit the words in the second set of brackets.*

Your postal vote

- You will receive a postal vote for this election because you asked to vote by post.
- You will not be able to vote as a proxy in a polling station.
- If you have not received your postal vote by *[day] [date] [name of month]* call *[insert helpline number]*.

Please turn over

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

Back of card

For this election you are proxy for:

* *[(Elector's name)
(Elector's address)
(Elector's number on register)]*

[the person with this elector number: (insert elector's number on register)]

* *If anonymous elector omit the words in the first set of square brackets, if not omit the words in the second set of square brackets*

How to vote

1. When you receive your postal vote, read the instructions carefully.
2. Your postal vote includes your ballot paper and a postal voting statement.
3. Complete both of these and return them straight away.
4. We need to receive your postal vote by 10pm on *[day/date of poll]*.

1 If you need information in another format, please call our helpline below.

1 If you need help to vote, you can ask someone you know or get independent help by calling our helpline:

[Insert helpline or other details including website]

if you lose your postal vote or make a mistake

- Please phone the helpline straightaway.
- We can only issue a replacement postal vote before 5pm on *[day/date of deadline]*.

If you would rather vote in person, you must cancel your postal vote before 5pm on *[day/date of deadline]*. For more information, please call the helpline.

It is an offence to:

- vote using a ballot paper that was not sent for your use or interfere with another voter's ballot paper
- vote more than once at this election, unless you are voting on your own behalf and as a proxy for another person
- vote as a proxy at this election for more than two people, unless you are their spouse, civil partner, parent, grandparent, brother, sister, child or grandchild
- vote as a proxy for someone if you know that by law they are not allowed to vote

The Returning Officer issued this card.

If undelivered return to *[insert return address]*

Form F: Certificate of employment

Certificate of Employment
Election of Member of Parliament for the <i>[insert name of constituency]</i> Constituency
Date of election <i>(insert name of day) (insert date) (name of month) (year)</i>
The person named below is entitled to vote at any polling station in the above constituency on production and surrender of this certificate to the Presiding Officer.
<p>I certify that _____ (name of elector)</p> <p>who is numbered* _____ in the register of electors for the constituency named above, cannot reasonably be expected to go in person to the polling station allotted to them at this election by reason of his/her employment on the above date for a purpose connected with this election:</p> <p>– as a constable**</p> <p>– by me (Only applies to Returning Officer's staff)**</p> <p>Signature _____ Returning Officer/Police Officer <i>(Inspector or above)**</i></p> <p>Date _____</p>
<p>* The elector's number can be found on the poll card which was sent to them shortly after the election was announced, or can be checked by contacting the Electoral Registration Officer.</p> <p>** Person completing the form to delete whichever does not apply.</p>

Form G: Postal voting statement (for use at a parliamentary election taken alone)

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

Front of statement

Postal voting statement	[Space for barcode]												
Election of Member of Parliament for the [insert name of constituency] constituency													
Date of election [day] [date] [name of month] [year]													
Important – you must fill in and return this postal voting statement with your completed ballot paper for it to be counted.													
Please read the instructions carefully and use a black pen.													
* Name _____ Ballot paper number _____													
* Returning Officer to insert name but omit where sent to an anonymous elector													
(!) Check that the number on the back of your ballot paper matches the number shown above. If these do not match, call us immediately on (insert helpline number).													
I am the person the ballot paper numbered above was sent to.													
My Date of Birth is:	<table border="1"><tr><td><input type="text"/></td><td><input type="text"/></td><td><input type="text"/></td><td><input type="text"/></td><td><input type="text"/></td><td><input type="text"/></td></tr><tr><td>Day</td><td>Month</td><td colspan="4">Year</td></tr></table>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	Day	Month	Year			
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>								
Day	Month	Year											
* My Signature is: (You must sign inside the box)	<div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 60px; width: 100%;"></div>												
* Returning Officer to omit box where the elector has been granted a waiver													
We will check this information against our records for security.													
It is an offence to vote using a ballot paper that was not sent for your use or interfere with another voter's ballot paper. It is an offence to vote more than once (unless you are appointed as a proxy) at the same election.													
Returning Officer to add pictorial guidance as appropriate.													

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

Back of statement

Instructions for voting by post

Please read through carefully. If you need help, please call us on *[insert helpline number]*

1. For your vote to be counted, you must fill in and return this postal voting statement with your ballot paper.
2. Make sure you have filled in the **date of birth **[and signature]* box[es]** on this postal voting statement.
**Returning Officer to delete where elector is granted a waiver.*
3. Vote for **only one candidate** by putting a cross in the box next to your choice on the ballot paper.
4. Do not mark the ballot paper in any other way or your vote may not count.
5. We must get your postal vote by 10pm on ***[day] [date of poll]***. If you miss the post, you can hand it in at our office or at any polling station in the constituency before **10pm on *[day] [date of poll]***.
6. After receiving this postal vote, you cannot vote in person at a polling station in this election.

Getting help

- If you need help to vote, you can ask someone you know or get independent help by calling the helpline on *[insert helpline number]*. The person helping you must not tell anyone how you voted.
- Please call the helpline if you require copies of this form or guidance in Braille or languages other than English.
- If you make a mistake, or lose your postal ballot paper or this statement, you can obtain a replacement. Call us immediately as **we can only issue a replacement before 5pm on *[day] [date] [name of month]***. If you apply after 5pm on ***[day]*** before poll we can only issue a replacement if you return this ballot pack by hand. You will need to return all the contents of this postal voting pack to us.

Electoral fraud is a crime. It is an offence to vote more than once in this election unless you are voting on your own behalf and as a proxy for another person.

The Returning Officer issued this statement.
Returning Officer to add pictorial guidance as appropriate.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

Front of statement

Postal voting statement	[Space for barcode]												
Election of Member of Parliament for the [insert name of constituency] constituency <i>[Returning Officer to insert title(s) of other elections as appropriate]</i>													
Date of elections <i>[day] [date] [name of month] [year]</i>													
Important – you must fill in and return this postal voting statement with your completed ballot papers for them to be counted. Please read the instructions carefully and use a black pen.													
* Name _____ Ballot paper numbers _____													
* <i>Returning Officer to insert name but omit where sent to an anonymous elector</i>													
(!) Check that the numbers on the backs of your ballot papers match the numbers shown above. If they do not match, call us immediately on <i>(insert helpline number)</i> .													
I am the person the ballot papers numbered above were sent to.													
My Date of Birth is:	<table border="1"><tr><td><input type="text"/></td><td><input type="text"/></td><td><input type="text"/></td><td><input type="text"/></td><td><input type="text"/></td><td><input type="text"/></td></tr><tr><td>Day</td><td>Month</td><td colspan="2">Year</td><td colspan="2"></td></tr></table>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	Day	Month	Year			
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>								
Day	Month	Year											
* My Signature is: (You must sign inside the box) * <i>Returning Officer to omit box where the elector has been granted a waiver</i>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 60px; width: 100%;"></div>												
We will check this information against our records for security.													
It is an offence to vote using a ballot paper that was not sent for your use or interfere with another voter's ballot paper. It is an offence to vote more than once (unless you are appointed as a proxy) at the same election.													
<i>Returning Officer to add pictorial guidance as appropriate.</i>													

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

Back of statement

Instructions for voting by post

Please read through carefully. If you need help, please call us on [insert helpline number]

- For your votes to be counted, you must fill in and return this postal voting statement with **all** your ballot papers (listed below).
- Make sure you have filled in the **date of birth** *[and signature] **box[es]** on this postal voting statement.
*Returning Officer to delete where elector is granted a waiver.

*** UK Parliamentary election ([insert colour] ballot paper)**

- Vote for **only one candidate** by putting a cross in the box next to your choice.

*** Scottish local government election ([insert colour] ballot paper)**

- [Vote using numbers
- Put the number 1 in the box next to the name of the candidate who is your first choice
- Then put the number 2 in the box next to the name of the candidate who is your second choice
- Then put the number 3 in the box next to your third choice
- Then put the number 4 in the box next to your fourth choice, and so on
- You can mark as many choices as you wish]

*** European Parliamentary election ([insert colour] ballot paper)**

- [Vote **only once** by putting a cross in the box next to your choice.]

*** [Name of election/referendum] election/referendum ([insert colour] ballot paper)**

- [Vote according to the instructions on your ballot paper.]

* Returning Officer to add/amend as appropriate.

(!) Do not mark the ballot papers in any other way or your votes may not count.

(!) We must get your postal vote by **10pm on [day] [date of poll]**. If you miss the post, you can hand it in at our office or at any polling station in the constituency before **10pm on [day] [date of poll]**.

(!) After receiving this postal vote, you cannot vote in person at a polling station in this election.

Getting help

- If you need help to vote, you can ask someone you know or get independent help by calling the helpline on [insert helpline number]. The person helping you must not tell anyone how you voted.
- Please call the helpline if you require copies of this form or guidance in Braille or languages other than English.
- If you make a mistake, or lose your postal ballot papers or this statement, you can get a replacement. Call us immediately as **we can only issue a replacement before 5pm on [day] [date] [name of month]**. If you apply after 5pm on [day] before poll we can only issue a replacement if you return this ballot pack by hand. You will need to return all the contents of this postal voting pack to us.

Electoral fraud is a crime. It is an offence to vote more than once in this election unless you are voting on your own behalf and as a proxy for another person.

The Returning Officer issued this statement.

Returning Officer to add pictorial guidance as appropriate.

Form J: Postal voting statement (for use when a parliamentary poll is combined with another poll but the postal ballots are not combined)

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

Front of statement

Postal voting statement	[Space for barcode]												
Election of Member of Parliament for the <i>[insert name of constituency]</i> constituency													
Date of election <i>[day] [date] [name of month] [year]</i>													
Important – you must fill in and return this postal voting statement with your completed ballot paper for it to be counted.													
Please read the instructions carefully and use a black pen.													
* Name _____ Ballot paper number _____													
* <i>Returning Officer to insert name but omit where sent to an anonymous elector</i>													
(!) Check that the number on the back of your ballot paper matches the number shown above. If these do not match, call us immediately on <i>(insert helpline number)</i> .													
I am the person the ballot paper numbered above was sent to.													
My Date of Birth is:	<table border="1"><tr><td><input type="text"/></td><td><input type="text"/></td><td><input type="text"/></td><td><input type="text"/></td><td><input type="text"/></td><td><input type="text"/></td></tr><tr><td colspan="2">Day</td><td colspan="2">Month</td><td colspan="2">Year</td></tr></table>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	Day		Month		Year	
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>								
Day		Month		Year									
* My Signature is: (You must sign inside the box)	<div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 60px; width: 100%;"></div>												
<i>* Returning Officer to omit box where the elector has been granted a waiver</i>													
We will check this information against our records for security.													
It is an offence to vote using a ballot paper that was not sent for your use or interfere with another voter's ballot paper. It is an offence to vote more than once (unless you are appointed as a proxy) at the same election.													
<i>Returning Officer to add pictorial guidance as appropriate.</i>													

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

Back of statement

Instructions for voting by post

Please read through carefully. If you need help, please call us on *[insert helpline number]*

- For your vote to be counted, you must fill in and return this postal voting statement with your ballot paper for the **UK Parliamentary election**.
- Make sure you have filled in the **date of birth **[and signature]* box[es]** on this postal voting statement.
**Returning Officer to delete where elector is granted a waiver.*

UK Parliamentary election (*[insert colour]* ballot paper)

- Vote for **only one candidate** by putting a cross in the box next to your choice on the ballot paper.
- Do not mark the ballot paper in any other way or your vote may not count.
- We must get your postal vote by 10pm on ***[day] [date of poll]***. If you miss the post, you can hand it in at our office or at any polling station in the constituency before **10pm on *[day] [date of poll]***.
- After receiving this postal vote, you cannot vote in person at a polling station in this election.

Getting help

- If you need help to vote, you can ask someone you know or get independent help by calling the helpline on *[insert helpline number]*. The person helping you must not tell anyone how you voted.
- Please call the helpline if you require copies of this form or guidance in Braille or languages other than English.
- If you make a mistake, or lose your postal ballot paper or this statement, you can obtain a replacement. Call us immediately as **we can only issue a replacement before 5pm on *[day] [date] [name of month]***. If you apply after 5pm on ***[day]*** before poll we can only issue a replacement if you return this ballot pack by hand. You will need to return all the contents of this postal voting pack to us.

Electoral fraud is a crime. It is an offence to vote more than once in this election unless you are voting on your own behalf and as a proxy for another person.

The Returning Officer issued this statement.
Returning Officer to add pictorial guidance as appropriate.