
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of these Regulations)

These Regulations set out the arrangements under which elections to the Crofting Commission are to be conducted.

Regulations 4 and 5 provide who may and may not vote at such an election.

Regulations 6 and 7 provide for the appointment by the Scottish Ministers of a returning officer for each election and for the payment of any expenses.

Regulation 8 and the Schedule divide the Commission electoral area into six constituencies, with each constituency returning one member.

Regulations 9 and 10 set out provisions relating to qualification and disqualification of candidates for election.

The timetable for conducting elections and provision regarding notice are detailed in regulations 11 and 12.

The procedures for nomination of candidates are detailed in regulations 13 to 17. Arrangements for the method of election, manner of voting (by post or by proxy), the form of the ballot papers and arrangements for absent electors are detailed in regulations 18 to 26.

Part III sets out arrangements for the issue and receipt of ballot papers (regulations 27 to 37).

Part IV sets out arrangements for the counting of ballot papers and the declaration of result (regulations 38 to 54).

Part V sets out offences and penalties (regulations 55 to 62).

Part VI includes miscellaneous provisions relating to candidates' expenses and election returns (regulations 63 to 65).