

## SCHEDULE 1

### EUROPEAN PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS RULES

#### PART I

##### *Provisions as to time*

##### **Timetable**

1. The proceedings of the election shall be conducted in accordance with the following Table.

##### **Timetable**

<i>Proceeding</i>	<i>Time</i>
Publication of notice of election.	Not later than the 25th day before the date of the poll.
Delivery of nomination papers.	Between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. on any day after the date of the publication of the notice of election but not later than the 19th day before the date of the poll.
Delivery of notices of withdrawals of candidature.	Within the time for the delivery of nomination papers at the election.
The making of objections to nomination papers.	During the hours allowed for delivery of nomination papers on the last day for their delivery and the hour following; but <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>(a) no objection may be made in the afternoon of that last day except to a nomination paper delivered within 24 hours of the last time for its delivery, and in the case of a nomination paper so delivered no objection may be so made to the sufficiency or nature of the particulars of a candidate unless made at or immediately after the time of the delivery of the nomination paper; and</li><li>(b) the foregoing provisions do not apply to objections made in pursuance of rule 15(2).</li></ol>
Publication of statement of candidates nominated.	At the close of the time for making objections to nomination papers or as soon afterwards as any objections are disposed of.
Polling.	Between the hours of 7 a.m. and 10 p.m. on the day of the poll.

##### **Computation of time**

- 2.—(1) In computing any period of time for the purposes of the Timetable—

- (a) Saturday or Sunday,
- (b) a Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday or a bank holiday, or
- (c) a day appointed for public thanksgiving or mourning,

shall be disregarded, and any such day shall not be treated as a day for the purpose of any proceedings up to the completion of the poll nor shall the returning officer be obliged to proceed with the counting of the votes on such a day.

(2) In this rule “bank holiday” means—

- (a) in relation to a general election, a day which is a bank holiday under the Banking and Financial Dealings Act 1971<sup>(1)</sup> in any part of the United Kingdom,
- (b) in relation to a by-election, a day which is a bank holiday under that Act in Northern Ireland,

but at a general election sub-paragraph (b) and not sub-paragraph (a) of this paragraph applies in relation to any proceedings extending, by reason of riot or open violence, beyond the time laid down by the Timetable.

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<sup>(1)</sup> 1971 c. 80.