

SCHEDULES

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Rules for the conduct of PCC elections where poll not taken together with poll at another election

PART 3

Contested PCC elections

ACTION TO BE TAKEN BEFORE THE POLL

Postal ballot papers

25.—(1) The local returning officer must, in accordance with Part 3 of Schedule 2, issue to those entitled to vote by post—

(a) a ballot paper, and

(b) a postal voting statement in the appropriate form prescribed by paragraph 30 of Schedule 2, together with envelopes for their return that comply with the requirements of paragraph 38 of Schedule 2.

(2) The local returning officer must also issue to those entitled to vote by post whatever information the officer thinks appropriate about how to obtain—

(a) translations into languages other than English of any directions to or guidance for voters sent with the ballot paper;

(b) a translation into Braille of such directions or guidance;

(c) graphical representations of such directions or guidance;

(d) the directions or guidance in any other form (including any audible form).

(3) In the case of a ballot paper issued to a person at an address in the United Kingdom, the local returning officer must ensure that the return of the ballot paper and postal voting statement is free of charge to the voter.