

SCHEDULE 3

Combined Authority Mayoral Election (Combination of Polls) Rules

PART 6

Final proceedings in contested and uncontested elections

Return or forfeiture of candidate's deposit

60.—(1) Unless forfeited in accordance with paragraph (5), the deposit made under rule 10 of these Rules shall be returned to the person making it or that person's personal representative.

(2) Subject to paragraph (4), the deposit shall be returned not later than the next day after that on which the result of the election is declared.

(3) For the purposes of paragraph (2)—

- (a) a day shall be disregarded if it would be disregarded under rule 4 in computing any period of time for the purpose of the timetable for a combined authority mayoral election, and
- (b) the deposit shall be treated as being returned on a day if a cheque for the amount of the deposit is posted on that day.

(4) If the candidate is not shown as standing nominated in the statement of persons nominated, or if proof of the candidate's death has been given to the combined authority returning officer before the conclusion of the first count, the deposit shall be returned as soon as practicable after the publication of the statement or after the death, as the case may be.

(5) Where a poll is taken, if, after the conclusion of the first count, the candidate is found not to have polled more than one-twentieth of the total number of first preference votes polled by all the candidates, the deposit shall be forfeited to the combined authority.