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Parliamentary Constituencies Act 1986, Paragraph 8. (See end of Document for details)

SCHEDULES

[^{F1}SCHEDULE 2

RULES FOR DISTRIBUTION OF SEATS

Textual Amendments

- F1** Sch. 2 substituted (16.2.2011) by [Parliamentary Voting System and Constituencies Act 2011 \(c. 1\)](#), ss. **11(1)**, **19(1)** (with s. 13(5))

The allocation method

- 8 (1) The allocation method referred to in rule 3(2) is as follows.
- (2) The first constituency shall be allocated to the part of the United Kingdom with the greatest electorate.
- (3) The second and subsequent constituencies shall be allocated in the same way, except that the electorate of a part of the United Kingdom to which one or more constituencies have already been allocated is to be divided by—

$$2C + 1$$

where C is the number of constituencies already allocated to that part.

- (4) Where the figure given by sub-paragraph (3) above is the same for two or more parts of the United Kingdom, the part to which a constituency is to be allocated shall be the one with the smaller or smallest actual electorate.
- (5) This rule does not apply to the constituencies mentioned in rule 6, and accordingly—
- (a) the electorate of England shall be treated for the purposes of this rule as reduced by the electorate of the constituencies mentioned in rule 6(1);
 - (b) the electorate of Scotland shall be treated for the purposes of this rule as reduced by the electorate of the constituencies mentioned in rule [^{F2}6(2)(a) and (b)] [^{F3}];
 - (c) the electorate of Wales shall be treated for the purposes of this rule as reduced by the electorate of the constituency mentioned in rule 6(2)(c).]

Textual Amendments

- F2** Words in [Sch. 2 rule 8\(5\)\(b\)](#) substituted (14.12.2020) by [Parliamentary Constituencies Act 2020 \(c. 25\)](#), ss. **7(3)(a)**, **14(2)** (with s. 13(2))
- F3** [Sch. 2 rule 8\(5\)\(c\)](#) inserted (14.12.2020) by [Parliamentary Constituencies Act 2020 \(c. 25\)](#), ss. **7(3)(b)**, **14(2)** (with s. 13(2))

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