

SCHEDULES

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Section 2.

NEW SCHEDULE 2 TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS ACT 1978

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ELECTORAL REGIONS IN ENGLAND

Electoral regions

- 1 The electoral regions for England shall be those listed in the Table below.
- 2 (1) Subject to sub-paragraph (2), a reference in the Table to a local government or administrative area is a reference to that area as it is for the time being.
(2) Where an area specified in column (2) of the Table is altered, the alteration shall not have effect for the purposes of this Act until the first general election of MEPs at which the poll in the United Kingdom takes place after the alteration comes into force for all other purposes.

Number of MEPs elected for each region

- 3 The number of MEPs elected for each electoral region in England shall be the number specified in column (3) of the Table.
- 4 (1) As soon as possible after 16th February in each pre-election year the Secretary of State shall—
 - (a) consider whether the ratio of registered electors to MEPs is as nearly as possible the same for every electoral region in England, and
 - (b) make by order such amendments of column (3) of the Table as he considers necessary to ensure that result.
- (2) An order under sub-paragraph (1) shall not alter the total number of MEPs elected for electoral regions in England.
- (3) For the purposes of sub-paragraph (1) the Secretary of State shall consider the number of registered electors as at 16th February of the pre-election year.
- (4) For the purposes of sub-paragraph (1) a registered elector for an electoral region is a person whose name appears in a relevant register, or part of a relevant register, which relates to the region, other than a person who is—
 - (a) a relevant citizen of the Union within the meaning of section 202(1) of the Representation of the People Act 1983 (interpretation), and
 - (b) registered only for the purposes of local government elections.
- (5) The relevant registers are—
 - (a) registers of parliamentary electors;

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- (b) registers of local government electors;
 - (c) registers of peers maintained under section 3(2) to (9) of the Representation of the People Act 1985 (peers resident outside the United Kingdom);
 - (d) registers maintained under regulation 9 of the European Parliamentary Elections (Changes to the Franchise and Qualification of Representatives) Regulations 1994 (relevant citizens of the European Union).
- (6) In this paragraph “pre-election year” means any year after 2002 which immediately precedes a year in which general elections would be held in accordance with Article 10(2).
- (7) A statutory instrument made under sub-paragraph (1) shall be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament.

TABLE

<i>(1)</i> <i>Name of region</i>	<i>(2)</i> <i>Counties, &c. included</i>	<i>(3)</i> <i>Number of MEPs</i>
East Midlands	County of Derbyshire	6
	County of Derby	
	County of Leicester	
	County of Leicestershire	
	County of Lincolnshire	
	County of Northamptonshire	
	County of Nottinghamshire	
	County of Nottingham	
	County of Rutland	
Eastern	County of Bedfordshire	8
	County of Cambridgeshire	
	County of Essex	
	County of Hertfordshire	
	County of Luton	
	County of Norfolk	
	County of Peterborough	
	County of Southend-on-Sea	
	County of Suffolk	
London	The administrative area of Greater London	10
North East	County of Darlington	4
	County of Durham	

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North West	County of Hartlepool	10
	County of Middlesbrough	
	County of Northumberland	
	County of Redcar and Cleveland	
	County of Stockton-on-Tees	
	County of Tyne and Wear	
	County of Blackburn with Darwen	
	County of Blackpool	
	County of Cheshire	
	County of Cumbria	
South East	County of Greater Manchester	11
	County of Halton	
	County of Lancashire	
	County of Merseyside	
	County of Warrington	
	County of Berkshire	
	County of Brighton and Hove	
	County of Buckinghamshire	
	County of East Sussex	
	County of Hampshire	
	County of Isle of Wight	
	County of Kent	
	County of the Medway Towns	
	County of Milton Keynes	
County of Oxfordshire		
County of Portsmouth		
County of Southampton		
County of Surrey		
County of West Sussex		

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South West	County of Bath and North East Somerset County of Bournemouth County of the City of Bristol County of Cornwall County of Devon County of Dorset County of Gloucestershire County of North Somerset County of Plymouth County of Poole County of Somerset County of South Gloucestershire County of Swindon County of Torbay County of Wiltshire Isles of Scilly	7
West Midlands	County of Herefordshire County of Shropshire County of Staffordshire County of Stoke-on-Trent County of Telford and Wrekin County of Warwickshire County of West Midlands County of Worcestershire	8
Yorkshire & The Humber	County of the City of Kingston upon Hull County of the East Riding of Yorkshire County of North East Lincolnshire County of North Lincolnshire	7

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	County of North Yorkshire	
	County of South Yorkshire	
	County of West Yorkshire	
	County of York”	
