
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1996 No. 753

**The European Parliamentary Elections
(Returning Officers) (Scotland) Order 1996**

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the European Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers) (Scotland) Order 1996 and shall come into force on 1st April 1996.

(2) In this Order—

“local authority” means a council constituted under section 2 of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994;

“local government area” means the area of a local authority; and

references to European Parliamentary constituencies are references to the European Parliamentary constituencies established by the European Parliamentary Constituencies (Scotland) Order 1984(1).

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2. In the case of each of the European Parliamentary Constituencies named in the first column of the Schedule to this Order, being constituencies situated in more than one local government area, the returning officer for an European Parliamentary Election shall be the person who, under section 41 of the Representation of the People Act 1983(2), is, or may discharge the functions of, the returning officer at elections of councillors for the local authority for the local government area named opposite thereto in the second column of the said Schedule.

Revocation

3. The European Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers) (Scotland) Order 1984(3) is hereby revoked.

St Andrew's House,
Edinburgh
7th March 1996

James Douglas-Hamilton
Minister of State, Scottish Office

(1) S.I. 1984/548, amended by S.I. 1992/236. The citation of this Order has also been amended by section 3(1)(b) and (2)(b) of the European Communities (Amendment) Act 1986 (c. 58).
(2) 1983 c. 2.
(3) S.I. 1984/623. The citation of this Order has been amended by section 3(1)(b) and (2)(b) of the European Communities (amendment) Act 1986 (c. 58).