

SCHEDULE 5

Regulation 37(d)

Representation of the People (Combination of Polls) (England and Wales)  
Regulations 2004: New Form of directions for the guidance of voters

**Commencement Information**

**II** Sch. 5 in force at 16.1.2023, see [reg. 1\(3\)](#)

**Form of directions for the guidance of the voters in voting**

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## How to vote at [this] [these] election(s) [and referendum(s)]

1

Go to the desk and tell the staff your name and address. They will ask you to present your photographic identification. They will then give you your ballot papers.

*[In Wales, if one of the elections is a local government election, insert –"You only need to present photographic identification if you want to vote in the [Parliamentary] [or] [Police and Crime Commissioner] election(s)"]*



2

Take your ballot papers to a voting booth.



3

Read the instructions in the booth and mark your ballot papers.



4

When you have marked your ballot papers, fold them so that nobody can see how you have voted.



5

Put your folded ballot papers into the [appropriate] ballot box[es].



**(!) Voting is secret. Do not let anyone see how you have voted.**

**(?) If you make a mistake or need some help, just ask the staff.**

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Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Instrument (including any effects on those provisions):

- reg. 3(5)(c)(iva) inserted by [S.I. 2024/131 reg. 15\(2\)\(c\)](#)
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- reg. 7(7A)(b) words substituted by [S.I. 2023/1406 reg. 14\(3\)\(a\)](#)
- reg. 7(7A)(c) words substituted by [S.I. 2023/1406 reg. 14\(3\)\(a\)](#)
- reg. 7(7A)(e) words substituted by [S.I. 2023/1406 reg. 14\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- reg. 7(7A)(ca) inserted by [S.I. 2024/43 reg. 26\(2\)](#)