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## S C H E D U L E S

### NINTH SCHEDULE <sup>F1</sup> ELECTORAL MISDEMEANOURS

**F1** mod. SI 2003/1557

#### PART III

##### ELECTORAL OFFENCES

*Para. 24 rep. by 1989 c. 3*

- [F1]24A** A person who makes a statement which he knows to be false in any declaration or form used for any of the purposes of Part I of Schedule 2 to the Local Elections (Northern Ireland) Order 1985 (as substituted by Schedule 2 to the Local Elections (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Order 1987) or attests an application under that Part when he knows that he is not authorised to do so or that it contains a statement which is false shall be guilty of an electoral offence.]

**F1** SI 1987/168

- 25 If any person upon whom any functions are conferred by or under this Act in relation to any election<sup>F2</sup>. . . , without reasonable cause fails or neglects duly to perform those functions, he shall be guilty of an electoral offence.

**F2** 1989 c. 3

- 26 (1) A person shall be guilty of an electoral offence if he without lawful authority destroys, mutilates, defaces or removes any notice published by the registration officer in connection with his registration duties or any copies of a document which have been made available for inspection in pursuance of those duties or any notice or document published or displayed by or on behalf of the returning officer in connection with any election.
- (2) A person shall be guilty of an electoral offence if at any election he—  
(a) fraudulently defaces or fraudulently destroys—  
(i) any nomination paper; or  
(ii) any ballot paper, or the official mark on any ballot paper, or any voter's declaration, or any official envelope used in connection with voting by post; or  
(b) without due authority supplies any ballot paper to any person; or  
(c) puts into any ballot box any paper other than the ballot paper that he is authorised by law to put in; or

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- (d) without due authority takes out of the polling station any ballot paper (whether issued to him or not); or
  - (e) wilfully or negligently without due authority, destroys, conceals, loses, takes, opens or otherwise interferes with—
    - (i) any ballot box or packet of ballot papers then in use for the purposes of the election; or
    - (ii) any sealed or other packet of papers or documents of any kind then in use or intended to be used for the purposes of the election; or
    - (iii) any ballot paper account or marked copy of a register prepared or used for the purposes of the election or any unused ballot papers.
- 27 (1) A person attending at or admitted to a polling station in any capacity at an election shall be guilty of an electoral offence if before the poll is closed he communicates to any other person any information as to—
- (a) the name of any elector or proxy who has or has not applied for a ballot paper or voted at a polling station; or
  - (b) the number on the register of any elector who, or whose proxy, has or has not applied for a ballot paper or voted at a polling station; or
  - (c) the official mark.
- (2) Any person attending in any capacity at the count at any election shall be guilty of an electoral offence if he—
- (a) ascertains or attempts to ascertain at the count the number [<sup>F3</sup>or other unique identifying mark] on the back of any ballot paper; or
  - (b) at any time communicates any information obtained at the count as to the candidate for whom any vote is given on any particular ballot paper.
- (3) A person shall be guilty of an electoral offence if he—
- (a) interferes with or attempts to interfere with a voter when recording his vote; or
  - (b) otherwise obtains or attempts to obtain in a polling station information as to the candidate for whom a voter in that station is about to vote or has voted; or
  - (c) communicates at any time to any person any information obtained in a polling station as to the candidate for whom a voter in that station is about to vote or has voted, or as to the number [<sup>F4</sup>or other unique identifying mark] on the back of the ballot paper issued to a voter at that station; or
  - (d) directly or indirectly induces a voter to display his ballot paper after he has marked it so as to make known to any person the name of the candidate for whom he has or has not voted; or
  - (e) being a person permitted, on making a declaration of secrecy, to remain with a blind voter while the presiding officer records his vote, communicates at any time to any person any information as to the candidate for whom that voter intends to vote or has voted, or as to the number on the back of the ballot paper issued for use of that voter.
- (4) Any person attending the proceedings in connection with the issue or receipt of ballot papers for persons voting by post shall be guilty of an electoral offence if he—
- (a) communicates, before the poll is closed, to any person any information obtained at those proceedings as to the official mark; or
  - (b) except for some purpose authorised by law, communicates to any person at any time any information obtained at those proceedings as to the number

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- [<sup>F5</sup>or other unique identifying mark] on the back of the ballot paper sent to any person; or
- (c) except for some purpose authorised by law, attempts to ascertain at the proceedings in connection with the receipt of ballot papers the number [<sup>F6</sup>or other unique identifying mark] on the back of any ballot paper; or
  - (d) attempts to ascertain at the proceedings in connection with the receipt of the ballot papers the candidate for whom any vote is given in any particular ballot paper or communicates any information with respect thereto obtained at those proceedings.

<b>F3</b>	Words in Sch. 9 para. 27(2)(a) inserted (1.7.2008) by <a href="#">Electoral Administration Act 2006 (c. 22), ss. 47, 77(2), Sch. 1 para. 62(2); S.I. 2008/1316, art. 2(3), 5(f)(iii)</a>
<b>F4</b>	Words in Sch. 9 para. 27(3)(c) inserted (1.7.2008) by <a href="#">Electoral Administration Act 2006 (c. 22), ss. 47, 77(2), Sch. 1 para. 62(3); S.I. 2008/1316, art. 2(3), 5(f)(iii)</a>
<b>F5</b>	Words in Sch. 9 para. 27(4)(b) inserted (1.7.2008) by <a href="#">Electoral Administration Act 2006 (c. 22), ss. 47, 77(2), Sch. 1 para. 62(4); S.I. 2008/1316, art. 2(3), 5(f)(iii)</a>
<b>F6</b>	Words in Sch. 9 para. 27(4)(c) inserted (1.7.2008) by <a href="#">Electoral Administration Act 2006 (c. 22), ss. 47, 77(2), Sch. 1 para. 62(4); S.I. 2008/1316, art. 2(3), 5(f)(iii)</a>

### Prohibition on publication of exit polls

- [<sup>F7</sup>27A(1) A person who publishes before the poll at a local election is closed—
- (a) any statement relating to the way in which voters have voted at the election where that statement is (or might reasonably be taken to be) based on information given by voters after they have voted, or
  - (b) any forecast as to the result of the election which is (or might reasonably be taken to be) based on information so given,
- is guilty of an electoral offence.
- (2) In this paragraph—
- forecast includes estimate;
- publish means make available to the public at large, or any section of the public, in whatever form and by whatever means;
- and any reference to the result of an election is a reference to the result of the election either as a whole or so far as any particular candidate or candidates at the election is or are concerned.]

**F7** SI 2001/417

- 28 Subject to paragraph 14, any person who—
- (a) prints or publishes, or causes to be printed or published, any bill, placard or poster having reference to an election, or any printed document distributed for the purpose of promoting or procuring the election of a candidate; or
  - (b) posts or causes to be posted any such bill, placard or poster as aforesaid; or
  - (c) distributes or causes to be distributed any printed document for the said purpose;
- shall be guilty of an electoral offence if the bill, placard, poster or document does not bear upon its face the name and address of the printer and publisher; and for the purposes of this paragraph the expression printing includes any process for multiplying copies of a document, other than copying it by hand.

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- 29 (1) Subject to paragraph 15, a person shall be guilty of an electoral offence (in this Act referred to as illegal payment) if he contravenes any of the following provisions of this paragraph.
- (2) A person shall not knowingly provide money for any payment which is contrary to the provisions of this Act, or for any expenses incurred in excess of any maximum allowed by this Act, or for replacing any money expended in any such payment or expenses, except where the payment or the incurring of the expenses may have been previously allowed in pursuance of section one hundred and seven to be an exception.
- (3) A person shall not corruptly induce or procure any other person to withdraw from being a candidate at any election, in consideration of any payment or promise of payment; and a person shall not so withdraw in pursuance of such an inducement or procurement.
- (4) A person shall not—
- (a) make any payment or contract for payment; or
  - (b) knowing that it is contrary to law, receive any payment or be a party to any contract for payment;

for or on account of bands of music, torches, flags or banners for the purpose of promoting or procuring the election of a candidate at any election<sup>[F8]</sup>, other than a local election,] except in so far as any such payment or contract may have been allowed in pursuance of section one hundred and seven to be an exception.

**F8** SI 1987/168

- 30 Subject to paragraph 15, if a person is either before, during or after any election, for the purpose of promoting or procuring the election of a candidate, engaged or employed for payment or promise of payment as a canvasser, the person so engaging or employing him and the person so engaged or employed shall be guilty of an electoral offence (in this Act referred to as illegal employment ).

*Para. 31 rep. by SI 2001/417*

- 32 If any returning officer at any election, or any officer or clerk duly appointed under this Act to perform any functions in relation to any election, acts as an agent of a candidate in the conduct or management of the election, he shall be guilty of an electoral offence.

<sup>[F9]</sup>32A(1) A person to whom this paragraph applies shall be guilty of an electoral offence if, without reasonable cause, he is guilty of any act or omission in breach of his official duty.

- (2) The persons to whom this paragraph applies are—
- (a) the Chief Electoral Officer and any person the whom functions are delegated by him under this Act,
  - (b) any presiding officer or any person either appointed to assist in the conduct of the election or who so assists in the course of his employment, and
  - (c) any postmaster or his deputy;

and official duty shall for the purposes of this paragraph be construed accordingly, but shall not include duties imposed otherwise than by the law relating to local elections or the registration of local electors.]

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**F9** SI 1987/168

*Para. 33 rep. by 1989 c. 3*

- 34 [<sup>F10</sup>Except at a local election] A person shall be guilty of an electoral offence if he—  
(a) attempts or conspires to commit any of the electoral offences specified in this Part; or  
(b) aids, abets, counsels or procures the commission of any of the electoral offences specified in this Part or knowingly induces some other person to do an act which is or but for that other person's want of knowledge would be such an offence.

<sup>F10</sup>Without prejudice to any other enactment a person who does any of the acts described in sub#paragraphs (a) or (b) shall be guilty of the electoral offence in question and shall be liable to be punished accordingly.

**F10** SI 1987/168

- 35 Any electoral misdemeanour which is not specifically designated in the foregoing provisions of this Schedule as a corrupt practice, an illegal practice or an electoral offence shall be an electoral offence.

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- Act modified by [S.I. 2013/3156 art. 8](#)

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

- s. 11(1A)(aa) inserted by [S.I. 2023/290 art. 2\(2\)](#)
- s. 11(4AA)-(4AC) inserted by [S.I. 2010/1178 art. 2\(4\)](#)
- s. 11A-11K inserted by [S.I. 2010/1178 art. 3](#)
- s. 14A(2A) inserted by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 2](#)
- s. 34(4A) inserted by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 4](#)
- s. 37A inserted by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 5](#)
- s. 39(3)(ca) inserted by [2022 c. 37 s. 22\(2\)](#)
- s. 40(1A) inserted by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 8\(2\)](#)
- s. 40A inserted by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 9](#)
- s. 41(1A) inserted by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 10\(3\)](#)
- s. 42(1ZA)(1ZB) inserted by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 11\(4\)](#)
- s. 42(1ZC) inserted by [S.I. 2019/564 art. 2](#)
- s. 42(7) inserted by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 11\(6\)](#)
- s. 46(3)(ca) inserted by [S.I. 2019/564 art. 3](#)
- s. 52A52B inserted by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 16](#)
- s. 52B(1A) inserted by [2022 c. 37 s. 20\(7\)](#)
- s. 57A inserted by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 18](#)
- s. 79(1A) inserted by [S.I. 2014/1116 art. 6\(2\)](#)
- s. 96(3A)(b) word omitted by [2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 2\(a\)](#)
- s. 96(3A)(ba) inserted by [2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 2\(b\)](#)
- s. 105(9) inserted by [2023 c. 32 Sch. 1 para. 1\(2\)](#)
- s. 106(1A) inserted by [2023 c. 32 Sch. 1 para. 1\(3\)](#)
- s. 108(5) inserted by [2023 c. 32 Sch. 1 para. 1\(4\)](#)
- s. 111(2A)(ca) inserted by [2023 c. 12 s. 2\(1\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 111(2B) inserted by [2023 c. 32 Sch. 1 para. 1\(5\)](#)
- s. 112(1A)(b) word omitted by [2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 4\(a\)](#)
- s. 112(1A)(ba) inserted by [2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 4\(b\)](#)
- s. 112(3) repealed by [2010 c. 23 Sch. 2](#)
- s. 118(4) inserted by [2023 c. 32 Sch. 1 para. 1\(7\)](#)
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- Sch. 9 para. 17A inserted by [S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 35](#)

– Sch. 9 para. 25(2)(3) inserted by <a href="#">S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 37</a>
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– Sch. 9 para. 5A(1)(b) word omitted by <a href="#">S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 31(2)</a>
– Sch. 9 para. 32A(3)(4) words inserted by <a href="#">S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 39(3)</a>
– Sch. 10 Form 5 words omitted by <a href="#">S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 20(b)</a>
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– Sch. 3A para. 11(c) words inserted by <a href="#">S.I. 2014/1116 art. 6(4)(b)</a>
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– Sch. 4 Appendix Form 6 substituted by <a href="#">S.I. 2015/566 art. 2(8)Sch. 4</a>
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– Sch. 5 form 5ZA amendment to earlier affecting provision SI 2013/3156 Sch. by <a href="#">S.I. 2014/1116 art. 10(4)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 59 applied (with modifications) by <a href="#">2011 c. 1 Sch. 8 para. 50(7)(c)(8)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 16A(2) excluded by <a href="#">2011 c. 1 Sch. 8 para. 7</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 21(1) excluded by <a href="#">2011 c. 1 Sch. 8 para. 10</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 26(3ZC) excluded by <a href="#">2011 c. 1 Sch. 8 para. 16</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 26(4) excluded by <a href="#">2011 c. 1 Sch. 8 para. 18</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 34(1)(e) excluded by <a href="#">2011 c. 1 Sch. 8 para. 22(4)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 36(5)(a) excluded by <a href="#">2011 c. 1 Sch. 8 para. 25</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 43(1) excluded by <a href="#">2011 c. 1 Sch. 8 para. 35</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 44 excluded by <a href="#">2011 c. 1 Sch. 8 para. 35</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 45 excluded by <a href="#">2011 c. 1 Sch. 8 para. 35</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 64(1)-(6) excluded by <a href="#">2011 c. 1 Sch. 8 para. 40</a>
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– Sch. 5 rule 41(1) modified by <a href="#">2011 c. 1 Sch. 8 para. 29(3)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 58(1) modified by <a href="#">2011 c. 1 Sch. 8 para. 38(1)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 59 modified by <a href="#">2011 c. 1 Sch. 8 para. 38(2)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 59(7) modified by <a href="#">2011 c. 1 Sch. 8 para. 38(3)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 37A modified by SI 2013/3156 Sch. para. 13A (as inserted) by <a href="#">S.I. 2014/1116 art. 10(3)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 26(5)-(10) omitted by <a href="#">2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 12(5)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 16(2)(d) omitted by <a href="#">S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 54(2)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 26(3)(b) omitted by <a href="#">S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 60(3)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 34(1)(a) omitted by <a href="#">S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 68(2)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 60(2)(3) omitted by <a href="#">S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 77(4)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 5(2)(b) omitted by <a href="#">S.I. 2020/635 art. 3(a)(ii)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 5(2A) substituted by <a href="#">2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 7</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 26(3A)(b) substituted by <a href="#">2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 12(3)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 32(2) substituted by <a href="#">2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 13(3)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 32(3) substituted by <a href="#">2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 13(5)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 34 heading substituted by <a href="#">2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 14(2)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 10(3)(3A) substituted by <a href="#">S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 51</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 33 substituted by <a href="#">S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 67</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 59(6) substituted by <a href="#">S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 76(4)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 10(4)(4A) substituted for Sch. 5 rule 10(4) by <a href="#">S.I. 2020/635 art. 5(c)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 61-64 substituted for Sch. 5 rule 61 by <a href="#">S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 78</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 5(2)(a) word inserted by <a href="#">S.I. 2020/635 art. 3(a)(i)</a>

– Sch. 5 rule 20(2) word omitted by <a href="#">S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 57</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 29(3)(a) word omitted by <a href="#">S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 63</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 34(6) word omitted by <a href="#">S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 68(4)(a)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 12A(2)(b) word omitted by <a href="#">S.I. 2020/635 art. 7(b)(i)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 27(2) word substituted by <a href="#">S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 61(4)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 60(1) word substituted by <a href="#">S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 77(3)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 26(6) word substituted by <a href="#">S.I. 2015/566 art. 2(3)(a)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 26(7) word substituted by <a href="#">S.I. 2015/566 art. 2(3)(b)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 26(8) word substituted by <a href="#">S.I. 2015/566 art. 2(3)(c)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 32(1A) words inserted by <a href="#">2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 13(2)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 34(4) words inserted by <a href="#">2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 14(5)(a)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 34(4) words inserted by <a href="#">2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 14(5)(b)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 34(5) words inserted by <a href="#">2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 14(6)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 34(6)(j) words inserted by <a href="#">2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 14(8)(b)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 34(6)(k) words inserted by <a href="#">2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 14(8)(c)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 37(2) words inserted by <a href="#">2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 17(b)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 38(2) words inserted by <a href="#">2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 18</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 56A heading words inserted by <a href="#">2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 20(4)</a>
– Sch. 5 Appendix of Forms Form 10 words inserted by <a href="#">2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 22(b)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 5(3) words inserted by <a href="#">S.I. 2010/1178 art. 4(2)(b)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 5A(2) words inserted by <a href="#">S.I. 2010/1178 art. 4(3)(b)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 10(3A) words inserted by <a href="#">S.I. 2010/1178 art. 4(4)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 9(1) words inserted by <a href="#">S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 50(2)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 16(2A) words inserted by <a href="#">S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 54(3)(a)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 20(2) words inserted by <a href="#">S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 57</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 25(1) words inserted by <a href="#">S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 59(2)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 25(3) words inserted by <a href="#">S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 59(3)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 26(2) words inserted by <a href="#">S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 60(2)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 31 words inserted by <a href="#">S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 65</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 41(1)(a) words inserted by <a href="#">S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 70(2)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 44(1)(b) words inserted by <a href="#">S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 71(2)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 45(4) words inserted by <a href="#">S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 72</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 46(1)(d) words inserted by <a href="#">S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 73</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 45(3) words inserted by <a href="#">S.I. 2014/1116 art. 6(12)(i)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 45(5) words inserted by <a href="#">S.I. 2014/1116 art. 6(12)(ii)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 57(2) words inserted by <a href="#">S.I. 2014/1116 art. 6(13)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 58(1)(c) words inserted by <a href="#">S.I. 2014/1116 art. 6(14)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 45(2A) words inserted by <a href="#">S.I. 2018/699 reg. 4(a)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 9(3) words inserted by <a href="#">S.I. 2020/635 art. 4(a)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 10(1) words inserted by <a href="#">S.I. 2020/635 art. 5(a)(i)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 10(3) words inserted by <a href="#">S.I. 2020/635 art. 5(b)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 12(2) words inserted by <a href="#">S.I. 2020/635 art. 6(a)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 12A(1) words inserted by <a href="#">S.I. 2020/635 art. 7(a)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 36(3) words omitted by <a href="#">2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 16(4)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 5(3) words omitted by <a href="#">S.I. 2010/1178 art. 4(2)(a)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 27(4) words omitted by <a href="#">S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 61(5)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 30(2)(a) words omitted by <a href="#">S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 64</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 34(6)(a) words omitted by <a href="#">S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 68(4)(c)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 41(1)(e) words omitted by <a href="#">S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 70(4)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 58(1)(d) words omitted by <a href="#">S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 75(a)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 60 heading words omitted by <a href="#">S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 77(2)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 25(1) words omitted by <a href="#">S.I. 2014/1116 art. 6(8)(a)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 25(2) words omitted by <a href="#">S.I. 2014/1880 art. 3(2)(a)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 16A(3) words repealed by <a href="#">S.I. 2018/1310 Sch. 1 Pt. 1</a> (This S.I. is amended by <a href="#">S.I. 2019/1389, reg. 2</a> )
– Sch. 5 rule 12(2A) words substituted by <a href="#">2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 8(a)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 12(2A) words substituted by <a href="#">2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 8(b)</a>
– Sch. 5 rule 23(3) words substituted by <a href="#">2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 11</a>

- Sch. 5 rule 34(3) words substituted by 2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 14(4)
- Sch. 5 rule 34(6) words substituted by 2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 14(8)(a)
- Sch. 5 rule 35(2) words substituted by 2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 15
- Sch. 5 rule 36(2)(b)(i) words substituted by 2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 16(2)
- Sch. 5 rule 36(2A) words substituted by 2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 16(3)
- Sch. 5 rule 37(2) words substituted by 2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 17(a)
- Sch. 5 rule 56A words substituted by 2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 20(2)
- Sch. 5 Appendix of Forms Form 10 words substituted by 2022 c. 37 Sch. 6 para. 22(a)
- Sch. 5 rule 1(2) words substituted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 45
- Sch. 5 rule 1(3) words substituted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 46
- Sch. 5 rule 19(2) words substituted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 56
- Sch. 5 rule 27(1)(b) words substituted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 61(2)
- Sch. 5 rule 28(a) words substituted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 62
- Sch. 5 rule 34(1)(c) words substituted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 68(3)
- Sch. 5 rule 34(8)(c) words substituted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 68(6)
- Sch. 5 rule 41(2) words substituted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 70(5)
- Sch. 5 rule 44(2) words substituted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 71(3)
- Sch. 5 rule 57(2) words substituted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 74
- Sch. 5 rule 59(1)(b) words substituted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 76(2)
- Sch. 5 rule 59(2) words substituted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 76(3)
- Sch. 5 rule 59(7) words substituted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 76(5)
- Sch. 5 rule 21(1) words substituted by S.I. 2014/1116 art. 6(7)
- Sch. 5 rule 26(3)(c) words substituted by S.I. 2014/1116 art. 6(9)
- Sch. 5 rule 21(2) words substituted by S.I. 2015/566 art. 2(2)
- Sch. 5 rule 45(2A) words substituted by S.I. 2018/699 reg. 4(b)
- Sch. 5 rule 34(6)(b) words substituted by S.I. 2022/47 reg. 2(2)
- Sch. 5 Appendix of Forms amendment to earlier affecting provision 2001 c. 7 Sch. para. 29 by S.I. 2014/1116 art. 9(7)
- Sch. 5 Appendix of Forms form 5 asterisk and words inserted by S.I. 2014/1116 art. 6(16)(b)
- Sch. 5 Appendix of Forms form 5 asterisk inserted by S.I. 2014/1116 art. 6(16)(a)
- Sch. 5 Appendix of Forms Form 6A inserted by S.I. 2014/1116 art. 6(17)Sch
- Sch. 5 Appendix of Forms Form 7A inserted by S.I. 2014/1116 art. 6(18)Sch
- Sch. 5 Appendix of Forms substituted by S.I. 2010/2977 Sch. 1 para. 79
- Sch. 5 Appendix Form 6A substituted by S.I. 2015/566 art. 2(9)Sch. 5
- Sch. 5 Appendix of Forms form 5 words inserted by S.I. 2014/1116 art. 6(16)(c)
- Sch. 6 Appendix Form 7 substituted by S.I. 2015/566 art. 2(10)Sch. 6

### **Commencement Orders yet to be applied to the Electoral Law Act (Northern Ireland) 1962**

Commencement Orders bringing legislation that affects this Act into force:

- S.I. 2011/1418 art. 2 commences (2010 c. 23)
- S.R. 2014/153 art. 3Sch. 2 commences (2014 c. 8)
- S.R. 2016/387 art. 2 commences (2015 c. 9 (N.I.))