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## SCHEDULE 5

### CAMPAIGN RULES: INVESTIGATORY POWERS OF THE ELECTORAL COMMISSION

#### *Offences*

- 12 (1) A person who fails, without reasonable excuse, to comply with any requirement imposed under or by virtue of this schedule commits an offence.
- (2) A person who intentionally obstructs a person authorised by or by virtue of this schedule in the carrying out of that person's functions under the authorisation commits an offence.
- (3) A person who knowingly or recklessly provides false information in purported compliance with a requirement imposed under or by virtue of this schedule commits an offence.
- (4) A person who commits an offence under sub-paragraph (1) or (2) is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale.
- (5) A person who commits an offence under sub-paragraph (3) is liable—
- (a) on summary conviction, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 12 months or to a fine not exceeding the statutory maximum (or both),
  - (b) on conviction on indictment, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 12 months or to a fine (or both).

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