
DRAFT STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Recall of MPs Act 2015 (Recall Petition) Regulations 2016

PART 5

ISSUE AND RECEIPT OF POSTAL SIGNING SHEETS

CHAPTER 3

Receipt of Postal Signing Sheet etc

Lists of rejected postal signing sheets: England and Wales and Scotland

110.—(1) In respect of any petition, the petition officer must keep three separate lists relating to rejected postal signing sheets as required by this regulation (“lists of rejected postal signing sheets”).

(2) In the first list, the officer must record the signing sheet number of any postal signing sheet for which no valid postal petition statement was received with it.

(3) In the second list, the officer must record the postal signing sheet number which is entered on a valid postal petition statement where that signing sheet is not received with the postal petition statement.

(4) In the third list, the officer must record, for every postal petition statement in the receptacle for rejected signing sheets (verification procedure) immediately prior to sealing—

- (a) the elector’s name and address (and the name and address of the proxy if the elector has a proxy);
- (b) the elector’s number on the register of electors (and that of the proxy if the elector has a proxy);
- (c) the specified reason or reasons for the rejection of the postal petition statement; and
- (d) any other information relating to the rejection that the petition officer considers appropriate, but not the signing sheet number.

(5) The specified reasons that may be given under paragraph (4)(c) for the rejection of a postal petition statement are as follows—

- (a) the signature does not match the example held on the personal identifiers record;
- (b) the date of birth does not match the one held on the personal identifiers record;
- (c) the signature field is blank; or
- (d) the date of birth field is blank.