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SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 1

Section 1.

ELECTORAL REGIONS IN ENGLAND [F1AND GIBRALTAR]

Textual Amendments

- F1 Words in Sch. 1 heading inserted (5.2.2004) by The European Parliamentary Elections (Combined Region and Campaign Expenditure) (United Kingdom and Gibraltar) Order 2004 (S.I. 2004/366), arts. 1(2), 3(6)(a)
- ([F21]) The electoral regions in England [F3 and Gibraltar] are listed in column (1) of the Table below and comprise the areas specified in column (2) of the Table).]

Textual Amendments

- F2 Sch. 1 para. 1 substituted (8.5.2003) for Sch. 1 para. 1 and heading by European Parliament (Representation) Act 2003 (c. 7), ss. 8(3)(a), 28(3)(4)
- **F3** Words in Sch. 1 para. 1 inserted (5.2.2004) by The European Parliamentary Elections (Combined Region and Campaign Expenditure) (United Kingdom and Gibraltar) Order 2004 (S.I. 2004/366), arts. 1(2), **3(6)** (b)
- 2 (1) A reference [F4to an area specified in column (2) of the Table] is a reference to that area as it is for the time being.
 - (2) But where an area specified in column (2) of the Table is altered, the alteration does not have effect for the purposes of this Act until the first general election of MEPs at which the poll in the United Kingdom [F5 and Gibraltar] takes place after the alteration comes into force for all other purposes.

Textual Amendments

- Words in Sch. 1 para. 2(1) substituted (8.5.2003) by European Parliament (Representation) Act 2003 (c. 7), ss. 8(3)(b), 28(3)(4)
- Words in Sch. 1 para. 2(2) inserted (5.2.2004) by The European Parliamentary Elections (Combined Region and Campaign Expenditure) (United Kingdom and Gibraltar) Order 2004 (S.I. 2004/366), arts. 1(2), 3(6)(c)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C1 Sch. 1 para. 2(2) excluded (1.2.2016) by European Union Referendum Act 2015 (c. 36), s. 13(2), Sch. 3 para. 5(4); S.I. 2016/69, reg. 2

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TABLE		
(1)	(2)	(3) F7
Name of Region	Area Included	F7
East Midlands	County of Derby	F7
	County of Derbyshire County of Leicester County of Leicestershire County of Lincolnshire County of Northamptonshire County of Nottingham County of Nottinghamshire County of Rutland	
Eastern	[F8 County of Bedford County of Central Bedfordshire] County of Cambridgeshire County of Essex County of Hertfordshire County of Luton County of Norfolk County of Peterborough County of Southend-on- Sea County of Suffolk County of Thurrock	F7
London	Greater London	F7
North East	County of Darlington County of Durham County of Hartlepool County of Middlesbrough County of Northumberland County of Redcar and	F7

Cleveland

	County of Stockton-on- Tees County of Tyne and Wear	
North West	County of Blackburn with	F7
North West	Darwen County of Blackpool [F9County of Cheshire East County of Cheshire West and Chester] County of Cumbria County of Greater Manchester County of Halton County of Lancashire County of Merseyside	
	County of Warrington	
South East	County of Berkshire County of Brighton and Hove County of Buckinghamshire County of East Sussex County of Hampshire County of Isle of Wight County of Kent County of the Medway Towns County of Milton Keynes County of Oxfordshire County of Portsmouth County of Southampton County of Surrey County of West Sussex	F7
South West	County of Bath and North East Somerset County of Bournemouth County of the City of Bristol County of Cornwall County of Devon County of Dorset County of Gloucestershire County of North Somerset County of Plymouth County of Poole County of Somerset County of South Gloucestershire County of Swindon County of Torbay	F7

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County of Wiltshire Isles of Scilly [F10Gibraltar] County of Herefordshire West Midlands County of Shropshire County of Staffordshire County of Stoke-on-Trent County of Telford and Wrekin County of Warwickshire County of West Midlands County of Worcestershire Yorkshire and the County of the City of Humber Kingston upon Hull County of the East Riding of Yorkshire County of North East Lincolnshire County of North Lincolnshire County of North Yorkshire County of South Yorkshire County of West Yorkshire County of York

Textual Amendments

- F7 Sch. 1 paras. 3, 4, the preceding heading and column (3) of the Table repealed (8.5.2003) by European Parliament (Representation) Act 2003 (c. 7), ss. 8(3)(c), 28(3)(4)
- F8 Sch. 1 Table: words in entry substituted (1.4.2009) by The Local Government (Structural Changes) (Miscellaneous Amendments and Other Provision) Order 2009 (S.I. 2009/837), arts. 1, 26(a)
- F9 Sch. 1 Table: words in entry substituted (1.4.2009) by The Local Government (Structural Changes) (Miscellaneous Amendments and Other Provision) Order 2009 (S.I. 2009/837), arts. 1, 26(b)
- **F10** Words in Sch. 1 Table inserted (5.2.2004) by The European Parliamentary Elections (Combined Region and Campaign Expenditure) (United Kingdom and Gibraltar) Order 2004 (S.I. 2004/366), arts. 1(2), **3(6)** (d)

F11SCHEDULE 1A

PERIODIC REVIEWS OF DISTRIBUTION OF MEPS

Textual Amendments

F11 Act repealed (4.7.2018 for the repeal of s. 1A, Sch. 1A, 31.12.2020 in so far as not already in force) by European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 (c. 16), s. 25(4), Sch. 9 (with s. 19, Sch. 8 para. 37); S.I.

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2018/808, **reg. 3(i)**; S.I. 2020/1622, **reg. 2** (with reg. 22); and with further savings in S.I. 2018/1310, **reg. 6** (as amended by S.I. 2019/1389, regs. 1, 2)

	Electoral Commission review and recommendation	
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	Exclusion or suspension of duties under paragraph 1	
F112		
	Implementation of Electoral Commission recommendation	
F113		
	Implementation of Electoral Commission recommendation	
^{F11} 4		
	Exclusion or suspension of duties and powers under paragraph 3 or 4	
F115		
	Supplementary	
^{F11} 6		
	SCHEDULE 2 Section 14.	
	TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS	
1	The repeal and re-enactment of provisions in this Act does not affect the continuity of the law.	
2	Anything done, or having effect as if done, under or for the purposes of a provision repealed by this Act (including subordinate legislation so made or having effect a if so made), and in force or effective immediately before the commencement of this Act, has effect after that commencement as if done under or for the purposes of the corresponding provision of this Act.	
3	A reference, express or implied, in this Act, another enactment or an instrument or document, to a provision of this Act is, subject to its context, to be read as being or including a reference to the corresponding provision repealed by this Act, in relation to times, circumstances or purposes in relation to which the repealed provision had effect.	
4	(1) A reference, express or implied, in any enactment, instrument or document, to a provision repealed by this Act is, subject to its context, to be read as being or	

including a reference to the corresponding provision of this Act, in relation to times,

circumstances or purposes in relation to which that provision has effect.

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- (2) In particular, where a power conferred by an Act is expressed to be exercisable in relation to enactments contained in Acts passed before or in the same Session as the Act conferring the power, the power is also exercisable in relation to provisions of this Act that reproduce such enactments.
- Paragraphs 1 to 4 have effect in place of section 17(2) of the Interpretation Act 1978 (c. 30) (but are without prejudice to any other provision of that Act).

SCHEDULE 3

Section 15

CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS

European Communities Act 1972 (c.68)

In section 1(2) of the European Communities Act 1972 (interpretation) in the definition of "the Treaties", and "the Community Treaties", after paragraph (k) there is to continue to be inserted—

"and

(1) the decision, of 1st February 1993, of the Council amending the Act concerning the election of the representatives of the European Parliament by direct universal suffrage annexed to Council Decision 76/787/ECSC, EEC, Euratom of 20th September 1976."

Textual Amendments

F12 Sch. 3 para. 2 repealed (5.4.2004) by Criminal Justice Act 2003 (c. 44), ss. 332, 336, Sch. 37 Pt. 10 (with s. 48(4); S.I. 2004/829, art. 2(2)(l)(iv) (subject to art. 2(3)-(6))

Juries (Northern Ireland) Order 1974 (S.I. 1974/2143)

In Schedule 2 to the Juries (Northern Ireland) Order 1974 (exemptions from jury service in Northern Ireland) (as amended by section 3(1) of the European Communities (Amendment) Act 1986), for "Representatives to the European Parliament" and the preceding heading substitute—

"European Parliament

Members of the European Parliament."

European Parliament (Pay and Pensions) Act 1979 (c. 50)

- 4 In the European Parliament (Pay and Pensions) Act 1979, in—
 - (a) section 3(1) (resettlement grants),
 - (b) section 7(2) (expenses: Northern Ireland), and
 - (c) section 8(1) (interpretation),

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for "constituency" and "a constituency", in each place, there is to continue to be substituted "electoral region" and "an electoral region".

Broadcasting Act 1996 (c.55)

In paragraph 30 of Schedule 10 to the Broadcasting Act 1996 (minor and consequential amendments), for "paragraph 2 of Schedule 1 to the European Parliamentary Elections Act 1978" substitute "section 7 of the European Parliamentary Elections Act 2002".

Government of Wales Act 1998 (c.38)		
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Textual Amendments

F13 Sch. 3 para. 6 repealed by Government of Wales Act 2006 (c. 32), s. 163, Sch. 12 the amending provision coming into force immediately after the 2007 election (held on 3.5.2007) subject to s. 161(4)(5) of the amending Act, which provides for certain provisions to come into force for specified purposes immediately after the end of the initial period (which ended with the day of the first appointment of a First Minister on 25.5.2007) see ss. 46, 161(1)(4)(5) of the amending Act.

Scotland Act 1998 (c.46)

- 7 (1) The Scotland Act 1998 is amended as follows.
 - (2) In section 12(4)(a) (power to make provision about elections), for "the European Parliamentary Elections Act 1978" substitute "the European Parliamentary Elections Act 2002".
 - (3) In Section B3 of Part 2 of Schedule 5 (reserved matters), for paragraph (a) substitute—
 - "(a) the European Parliamentary Elections Act 2002."

Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 (c.41)

- 8 (1) The Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 is amended as follows.
 - (2) In section 7(2)—
 - (a) in paragraph (a) (consultation of Electoral Commission), for the words from "paragraph" to "elections)" substitute " the European Parliamentary Elections Act 2002", and
 - (b) in paragraph (b) (designation of returning officers), for "paragraph 4(1)(a) or (b) of that Schedule" substitute "section 6(2)(b) or (3)(b) of that Act".
 - (3) In section 8(3)(c) (functions of Secretary of State exercisable only on recommendation of Electoral Commission), for the words from "paragraph" to "1978" substitute "section 7(2)(a) of the European Parliamentary Elections Act 2002

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SCHEDULE 4

Section 16.

REPEALS AND REVOCATIONS

Enactment	Extent of repeal or revocation
European Parliamentary Elections Act 1978 (c. 10)	The whole Act.
Representation of the People Act 1983 (c. 2)	In Schedule 8, paragraphs 21 to 23.
Welsh Language Act 1993 (c. 38)	Section 35(3).
European Parliamentary Elections Act 1993 (c. 41)	Section 3.
European Parliamentary Elections (Changes to the Franchise and Qualification of Representatives) Regulations 1994 (S.I.1994/342)	Regulation 3.
European Parliamentary Elections Act 1999 (c. 1)	The whole Act.
Representation of the People Act 2000 (c. 2)	In Schedule 6, paragraph 2.
Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 (c. 41)	Section 142. In Schedule 21, paragraph 5.
House of Commons (Removal of Clergy Disqualification) Act 2001 (c. 13)	In Schedule 1, paragraph 2.
The European Parliamentary Elections (Franchise of Relevant Citizens of the Union) Regulations 2001 (S.I.2001/1184)	Regulation 11(a).

TABLE OF ORIGINS

Notes:

- 1 This Table shows the origin of the provisions of the Act.
- 2 The following abbreviations are used in the Table:—

Acts of Parliament

1978 = European Parliamentary Elections Act 1978 (c. 10) (formerly known as the European Assembly Elections Act 1978 (c. 10))

1999 = European Parliamentary Elections Act 1999 (c. 1)

Subordinate Legislation

1994/342 = European Parliamentary Elections (Changes to the Franchise and Qualification of Representatives) Regulations 1994 (S.I.1994/342)

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PROSPECTIVE

The Table does not separately acknowledge the provisions of section 3 of the European Communities (Amendment) Act 1986 (c. 58) by virtue of which references to the European Parliament were substituted for references to the Assembly of the European Communities.

PROSPECTIVE

Where the Act incorporates the effect of subordinate legislation, the Table gives the relevant provision of the subordinate instrument but does not refer to the statutory provision under which the instrument was made.

Provision	Origin
1(1)	1978 s. 1, 2(2), (3); 1999 s. 1.
(2)	1978 s. 2(4); 1999 s. 1.
(3)	1978 s. 2(5); 1999 s. 1.
2(1)	1978 s. 3(1); 1999 s. 1.
(2)	1978 Sch. 1 para. 2(3B); 1999 s. 1, Sch. 2 para. 6.
(3)	1978 s. 3(1); 1999 s. 1.
(4) to (9)	1978 s. 3(2) to (7); 1999 s. 1.
(10)	1978 s. 3(8)(a); Registration of Political Parties Act 1998 (c. 48) Sch. 3 para. 1; 1999 s. 1; Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 (c. 41) Sch. 21 para. 5(2).
3	1978 s. 3A; 1999 s. 1.
4	1978 s. 3D(1); 1999 s. 1.
5	1978 Sch. 1 para. 3(1) to (3); 1999 Sch. 2 para. 8.
6(1) to (4)	1978 Sch. 1 para. 4(1); 1999 Sch. 2 para. 9.
(5)	1978 Sch. 1 para. 4(2); 1999 Sch. 2 para. 9.
(6)	1978 s. 7(1)(a) and (aa); 1999 s. 4.
(7) and (8)	1978 Sch. 1 para. 4(3) and (4); 1999 Sch. 2 para. 9.
7(1)	1978 Sch. 1 para. 2(3); 1999 Sch. 2 para. 5.
(2)	1978 Sch. 1 para. 2(3A); 1999 Sch. 2 para. 6; Political Parties, Elections and

	Referendums Act 2000 (c. 41) Sch. 21 para. 5(3).
(3)	1978 Sch. 1 para. 2(4)(a).
(4)	1978 Sch. 1 para. 2(4)(b).
(5)	1978 Sch. 1 para. 2(5); Welsh Language Act 1993 (c. 38) s. 35(3).
8	1978 s. 3C; 1999 s. 1; European Parliamentary Elections (Franchise of Relevant Citizens of the Union) Regulations 2001 (S.I. 2001/1184), reg. 11(a).
9(1)	1978 ss. 4(1) and 8(2)(a).
(2)	1978 s. 4(1); 1999 Sch. 3 para. 1.
(3)	1978 s. 4(2); Representation of the People Act 1983 (c. 2) Sch. 8 para. 21(a) and (b).
(4)	1978 s. 4(2); Representation of the People Act 1983 (c. 2) Sch. 8 para. 21(c) and (d).
10(1)	1978 Sch. 1 para. 5(1); 1999 Sch. 2 para. 10(a).
(2)	1978 Sch. 1 para. 5(3)(a) to (d); 1999 Sch. 2 para. 10(a); House of Commons (Removal of Clergy Disqualification) Act 2001 (c. 13), Sch. 1 para. 2.
(3)	1978 Sch. 1 para. 5(3)(e); S.I. 1994/342 reg. 3(2); 1999 Sch. 2 para. 10(a).
(4)	1978 Sch. 1 para. 5(2); 1999 Sch. 2 para. 10(a), (b).
(5)	1978 Sch. 1 para. 5(2A) and (2B); S.I. 1994/342 reg. 3(1); 1999 Sch. 2 para. 10(a).
(6)	1978 Sch. 1 para. 5(4) and (4A); 1999 Sch. 2 para. 10(c); Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 (c. 41) s. 142(2).
(7)	1978 Sch. 1 para. 5(5); 1999 Sch. 2 para. 10(a), (b) and (d).
(8)	1978 Sch. 1 para. 5(1) and s. 8(2)(a).
11(1)	1978 Sch. 1 para. 6(1) and (5) ("disqualified"); 1999 Sch. 2 para. 11(2) and (4); Political Parties,

	Elections and Referendums Act 2000 (c. 41)s. 142(3).
(2)	1978 Sch. 1 para. 6(5) (court); 1999 Sch. 2 para. 11(4).
(3)	1978 Sch. 1 para. 6(1A); 1999 Sch. 2 para. 11(2).
(4)	1978 Sch. 1 para. 6(2); 1999 Sch. 2 para. 11(3).
(5)	1978 Sch. 1 para. 6(6); 1999 Sch. 2 para. 11(5).
(6)	1978 Sch. 1 para. 6(3).
(7)	1978 Sch. 1 para. 6(4).
12	1978 s. 6.
13(1)	1978 s. 9(2).
(2)	1978 Sch. 1 para. 2(6).
(3)(a)	1978 Sch. 1 paras. 5(6), 6(7); 1999 Sch. 2 para. 11(5).
(3)(b)	1978 Sch. 2 para. 4(7); 1999 Sch. 1.
(4)	1978 s. 3D(2) and Sch. 1 para. 3(4); 1999 s. 1 and Sch. 2 para. 8.
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17	"enactment": 1978 s. 8(2)(b)
	"Act annexed to Council Decision 76/787": 1978 s. 8(2)(a)
	"citizen of the European Union": 1978 Sch. 1 para. 5(2A) and (3)(e); 1994/342 reg. 3.
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Sch. 1	
paras. 1 to 3	1978 Sch. 2 paras. 1 to 3; 1999 Sch. 1.
para. 4(1)	1978 Sch. 2 para. 4(5A); 1999 Sch. 1; Representation of the People Act 2000 (c. 2) Sch. 6 para. 2(4).
(2)	1978 Sch. 2 para. 4(1), (3) and (4); 1999 Sch. 1; Representation of the People Act 2000 (c. 2) Sch. 6 para. 2(2) and (3).
(3)	1978 Sch. 2 para. 4(4)(a) and (b), (5A); Representation of the People

	Act 1983 (c. 2)s. 202(1) and Local Government Elections (Changes to the Franchise and Qualification of Members) Regulations 1995 (S.I. 1995/1948) reg. 4(2); 1999 Sch. 1; Representation of the People Act 2000 (c. 2) Sch. 6 para. 2(4).
(4)	1978 Sch. 2 para. 4(2); 1999 Sch.1.
(5)	1978 Sch. 2 para. 4(6), s. 8(2)(a); 1999 Sch. 1.
(6)	1978 Sch. 2 para. 4(5); 1999 Sch. 1. Paragraph 9 of 1994/342 was repealed and replaced by the European Parliamentary Elections (Franchise of Relevant Citizens of the Union) Regulations 2001 (S.I. 2001/1184). The cross-reference is therefore to the relevant provision of those regulations.
Table	1978 Sch. 2 Table; 1999 Sch. 1.
Sch. 2	
Sch. 3	
para. 1	European Parliamentary Elections Act 1993 (c. 41) s. 3(2).
paras. 2 and 3	1978 s. 5(1).
para. 4	1999 Sch. 3 para. 2.
paras. 5 to 8	
Sch. 4	
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Changes to legislation: