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## SCHEDULES

### SCHEDULE 2

#### RULES FOR CONDUCT OF THE REFERENDUM

##### PART 1

##### REFERENDUM RULES

##### THE POLL

##### *Sealing of ballot boxes*

- 23 (1) Immediately before the commencement of the poll, the presiding officer must show anyone present in the polling station that the ballot box is empty.
- (2) The presiding officer must then—
- (a) lock the box (if it has a lock) and place his or her seal on it in a manner that prevents it from being opened without breaking the seal, and
  - (b) place the box in his or her view for the receipt of ballot papers, and keep it so locked (if it has a lock) and sealed.

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