

SCHEDULE 3  
REFERENDUM RULES

PART 4

The poll

**Votes marked by presiding officer**

**26.**—(1) The presiding officer on the application of a voter —

- (a) who is incapacitated by blindness or other disability from voting in a manner directed by these Rules; or
- (b) who declares orally an inability to read,

must, in the presence of the polling agents (if any), cause the voter's vote to be marked on a ballot paper in the manner directed by the voter, and the ballot paper to be placed in the ballot box.

(2) The name and number on the register of every voter whose vote is marked in pursuance of this rule, and the reason why it was so marked, must be entered on a list (in these Rules called "the list of votes marked by the presiding officer").

(3) For the purposes of paragraph (2), in the case of a person voting as proxy for an elector, the number to be entered, together with the voter's name, is the elector's number.

(4) In the case of a person in respect of whom a notice has been issued under section 13B(3B) or (3D) of the 1983 Act, the reference in paragraph (2) to the voter's number on the register is to be read as a reference to the number relating to the voter on the notice.