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SCHEDULE 3 CONDUCT RULES

Questions to be put to voters

- 19 (1) At the time a voter applies for a ballot paper (but not afterwards), the presiding officer—
 - (a) must put the questions mentioned in paragraph (2) to the voter if required to do so by a referendum agent or polling agent,
 - (b) may put the questions mentioned in paragraph (2) to the voter if the presiding officer considers it appropriate to do so.
 - (2) The questions referred to in paragraph (1) are—

Type of person applying for ballot Questions paper

- 1. A person applying as a voter
- (a) "Are you the person named in the Polling List as follows (read the whole entry from the Polling List)?"
- (b) "Have you already voted in this referendum otherwise than as proxy for some other person?"
- 2. A person applying as proxy
- (a) "Are you the person whose name appears as A.B. in the list of proxies for this referendum as entitled to vote as proxy on behalf of C.D.?"
- (b) "Have you already voted in this referendum as proxy on behalf of C.D.?"
- (c) "Are you the spouse, civil partner, parent, grandparent, brother, sister, child or grandchild of C.D.?"
- 3. A person applying as proxy for a voter with an anonymous entry (instead of the questions in entry 2)
- (a) "Are you the person entitled to vote as proxy on behalf of the voter whose number on the Polling List is (read out the number from the Polling List)?"
- (b) "Have you already voted in this referendum as proxy on behalf of the voter whose number on the Polling List is (read out the number from the Polling List)?"
- (c) "Are you the spouse, civil partner, parent, grandparent, brother, sister, child or grandchild of the person whose number on the Polling List is

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> (read out the number from the Polling List)?"

- 4. A person applying as proxy if the "Have you already voted in this answer to the question at 2(c) or 3(c) is referendum on behalf of two persons not "yes"
 - of whom you are not the spouse, civil partner, parent, grandparent, brother, sister, child or grandchild?"
- 5. A person applying as a voter in relation to whom there is an entry in the postal voters list
- "Did you apply to vote by post?"
- 6. A person applying as proxy who is named in the proxy postal voters list
- "Why have you not voted by (b) post?"
- "Did you apply to vote by post (a) as proxy?"
- "Why have you not voted by (b) post as proxy?"
- (3) In the case of a voter in respect of whom a notice has been issued under section 13B(3B) or (3D) or 13BB(4) of the 1983 Act
 - the first reference in each of the questions in entries 1(a) and 3(a), (b) and (c) to the Polling List is to be read as a reference to the register of electors, and
 - the reference in each of those questions to reading from the Polling List is to (b) be read as a reference to reading from the notice issued under that section.
- (4) A ballot paper must not be delivered to any person required to answer a question under this rule unless the person answers the question satisfactorily.
- (5) Except as authorised by this rule, no enquiry is permitted as to the right of any person to vote.

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