
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations make changes to the Local Authorities (Mayoral Elections) (England and Wales) Regulations 2007 (“the Mayoral Elections Regulations”).

Regulation 2(6) and Schedule 1 replace certain forms in Schedule 1 to the Mayoral Elections Regulations (the Mayoral Elections Rules). These forms are to be used where a poll at a mayoral election is taken alone.

The effect of regulations 2(3), 2(4) and 2(9) and Schedule 3 is that where a poll at a mayoral election is taken together with a poll at an election of a police and crime commissioner (but is not taken together with a poll at any other election or referendum), forms in Schedules 1 and 3A to the Mayoral Elections Regulations, and forms in the Police and Crime Commissioner Elections Order 2012, will be used instead of the equivalent forms in Schedule 3 to the Mayoral Elections Regulations (the Mayoral Elections (Combination of Polls) Rules).

Regulations 2(2) and 2(7) and Schedule 2 make consequential changes to the Mayoral Elections Regulations, which affect the application to mayoral elections of section 199B of the Representation of the People Act 1983 (translation etc of certain documents). The effect is to modify the words that will appear on an enlarged version of the mayoral ballot paper that is displayed at polling stations where a poll at a mayoral election is taken alone, or is taken together with a poll at a police and crime commissioner election but no other poll.

Regulations 2(5) and 2(8) correct a minor error in rule 5(3) of the Mayoral Elections Rules and in rule 5(3) of the Mayoral Elections (Combination of Polls) Rules. References to the “returning officer” in these rules are replaced with references to the “registration officer”.

A full Impact Assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no impact on the private or voluntary sector is foreseen.