

SCHEDULES

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RULES FOR CONDUCT OF THE REFERENDUM

PART 1

REFERENDUM RULES

FINAL PROCEEDINGS

Declaration by counting officers

- 46 (1) This rule applies to—
- (a) the counting officer for Northern Ireland;
 - (b) the counting officer for a voting area in a region for which no Regional Counting Officer is appointed.
- (2) After making the certification under section 128(5) of the 2000 Act, the counting officer must—
- (a) immediately give to the Chief Counting Officer notice of the matters certified;
 - (b) as soon as practicable give to the Chief Counting Officer notice of the number of rejected ballot papers under each head shown in the statement of rejected ballot papers.
- (3) When authorised to do so by the Chief Counting Officer, the counting officer must—
- (a) make a declaration of the matters certified under section 128(5) of the 2000 Act;
 - (b) give public notice of the matters certified together with the number of rejected ballot papers under each head shown in the statement of rejected ballot papers.