

SCHEDULE 6

MODIFICATION OF RULES WHERE VOTES COUNTED BY ELECTRONIC MEANS

2. Where votes are counted by electronic means, the CMER, the LMER and, subject to paragraph 4, the MER, shall have effect as if—

- (a) any reference to the counting of votes, in whatever terms, included a reference to counting by electronic means;
- (b) CMER 16, LMER 17 and MER 17 (the official mark) were omitted;
- (c) in the rule bearing the number set out in column (1) of the Table below—
 - (i) where there is an entry in respect of that rule in column (2) but no corresponding entry in column (3), the words set out, or the paragraph or sub-paragraph specified, in column (2) were omitted;
 - (ii) where there are entries in both columns (2) and (3), for the sub-paragraph specified, or for the words set out, in column (2) there were substituted the sub-paragraph or words set out in column (3);
 - (iii) where there is an entry in respect of that rule in column (4), the words set out in that column were inserted in the position specified; and
- (d) for forms 5, 6 and 7 there were substituted forms which comply with the directions for printing set out in paragraph 3.

TABLE

(1) <i>Rule</i>	(2) <i>Paragraph, sub-paragraph or words omitted (if any)</i>	(3) <i>Sub-paragraphs or words substituted (if any)</i>	(4) <i>Words inserted (if any)</i>
CMER 22			after the words “such clerks”,
LMER 23			the words “and technical assistants”
MER23			
(appointment of presiding officers and clerks)			
CMER 27			after the words “the clerks”, the words “and technical assistants”
LMER 28			
MER 28			
(admission to polling station)			
CMER 32	In paragraph (1), sub-paragraph (a);		
LMER 33	In paragraph (2)—		

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MER 33 (voting procedure)	“and fold it up so as to conceal his vote,”; “so as to disclose the official mark,”; and “so folded up”		
CMER 39 (attendance at counting of votes)			after “his clerks”, the words “or his technical assistants”
LMER 40			
MER 40 (attendance at local count)			
CMER 40 (the count)	sub-paragraph (d) of paragraph (1) and paragraphs (3) and (6)		
LMER 41 (the local count)	sub-paragraph (d) of paragraph (1) in paragraph (2) “shall mix together all of the ballot papers used in the Assembly constituency at the London members election and”		
MER 41 (the local count)	paragraph (5) sub-paragraph (d) of paragraph (1) in paragraph (3), the words from “mix together” to “and” paragraph (6)		

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CME 41, LMER 42 (rejected ballot papers)			In paragraph (3), at the end, “but no such endorsement need be made where a ballot paper is rejected because no mark has been placed on it”
MER 42 (rejected ballot papers)			In paragraph (4), at the end, “but no such endorsement need be made where a ballot paper that is not rejected on other grounds discloses no mark in the columns headed “1st Choice” and “2nd Choice””
MER 45 (procedure at conclusion of local count)	Sub-paragraphs (c) and (d) of paragraph (1)	“(c) the way in which voters have cast their votes”	
MER 47 (the first calculation and resolution of equality)	Paragraphs (1) to (3) and (4)(b) and, in paragraph (6) the words “an election is contested by only two candidates and”		
	In paragraph (6), “them”	“the candidates”	
MER 48 (the count of second preference votes)	paragraphs (1) and (3) to (5)		
MER 49 (the second calculation and resolution of equality)	paragraphs (2) to (4) and, in paragraph (1), the words “(as applied by rule 48)”		