
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Scottish Parliament (Elections etc.) Order 2002

PART II

THE FRANCHISE AND ITS EXERCISE

Rules for Scottish parliamentary elections

7.—(1) The proceedings at Scottish parliamentary elections (including the return of members) shall be conducted in accordance with the Scottish Parliamentary Election Rules set out in Schedule 2 to this Order.

(2) It is the general duty of every returning officer at a Scottish parliamentary election to do all such acts and things as may be necessary for effectually conducting the election in the manner provided by those Rules.

(3) No Scottish parliamentary election shall be declared invalid by reason of any act or omission by a returning officer or any other person in breach of his official duty in connection with the election or otherwise of those Rules if it appears to the tribunal having cognisance of the question that—

- (a) the election was so conducted as to be substantially in accordance with the law as to Scottish parliamentary elections; and
- (b) the act or omission did not affect the result.

(4) Schedule 2 to this Order (Scottish Parliamentary Election Rules) has effect.