
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2007 No. 2089

LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND

**The Local Authorities (Conduct of
Referendums) (England) Regulations 2007**

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**THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES (CONDUCT OF
REFERENDUMS) (ENGLAND) REGULATIONS 2007**

1. Citation, commencement and revocations
 2. Interpretation
 3. Question to be asked in referendum
 4. Publicity and other information in connection with referendums
 5. Restriction on publication etc. of promotional material
 6. General restriction on referendum expenses
 7. Notional referendum expenses
 8. Conduct of referendum: poll at referendum not taken together with poll at relevant election or referendum
 9. Counting officer
 10. Combination of polls: general
 11. Combination of referendum and election polls: conduct of referendum
 12. Combination of referendum and election polls: supplementary provisions relating to elections
 13. Combination of referendum polls: supplementary
 14. Result of referendum or further referendum
 15. Procedures for questioning referendum
 16. Immediate consequences of referendum petitions
 17. Determination of referendum petitions and subsequent procedures
 18. Time
 19. Advertisements
 20. Non-domestic rating: premises used for referendum purposes
- Signature

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1. Are you in favour of the proposal for [insert name...
2. Are you in favour of the proposal for [insert name...
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SCHEDULE 2 — Matters relevant to Referendum Expenses

1. Advertising of any nature (whatever the medium used). Expenses in...
2. Unsolicited material addressed to voters (whether addressed to them by...
3. Any material of a description referred to in regulation 5(1)....
4. Market research or canvassing conducted for the purposes of ascertaining...
5. The provision of any services or facilities in connection with...
6. Transport (by any means) of persons to any place or...
7. Rallies and other events, including public meetings organised so as...
8. Nothing in paragraphs 1 to 7 is to be taken...

SCHEDULE 3 — The Local Government Act Referendums Rules

PART 1 — General Provisions

1. Citation
2. Interpretation
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4. Computation of time

PART 3 — General Provisions

5. Notice of referendum
6. Poll to be taken by ballot
7. The ballot papers
8. The corresponding number list
9. The official mark
10. Prohibition of disclosure of vote
11. Use of schools and public rooms
- PART 4 — Action to be Taken Before the Poll
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13. Postal ballot papers
14. Provision of polling stations
15. Appointment of presiding officers and polling clerks
16. Issue of official poll cards
17. Equipment of polling stations
18. Appointment of polling observers and counting observers
19. Notification of requirement of secrecy
20. Return of postal ballot papers

PART 5 — The Poll

21. Admission to polling station
22. Keeping of order in station
23. Sealing of ballot boxes
24. Questions to be put to voters and proxies
25. Challenge of voter or proxy
26. Voting procedure
27. Votes marked by presiding officer
28. Voting by persons with disabilities
29. Tendered ballot papers: circumstances where available
30. Tendered ballot papers: general provisions
31. Spoilt ballot papers
32. Correction of errors on day of poll
33. Adjournment of poll in case of riot

34. Procedure on close of poll
 - PART 6 — Counting of Votes
 35. Attendance at counting of votes
 36. The count
 37. Re-count
 38. Rejected ballot papers
 39. Decisions on ballot papers
 40. Equality of votes
 - PART 7 — Declaration of Result and Disposal of Documents
 41. Declaration of result
 42. Sealing up of ballot papers
 43. Delivery of documents to relevant registration officer
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 19. Appointment of polling observers
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 21. Notification of requirement of secrecy in respect of the count
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 - PART 5 — The Poll
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Explanatory Note