

vote, shall forfeit his right to vote at the election, and the electoral officer or his deputy shall make an entry in the voters' list in the column for remarks opposite the name of such person to show that such person received the ballot paper and declined to vote, in which case the electoral officer or his deputy shall mark upon the face of the ballot paper the word "declined", and all ballot papers so marked shall be preserved.

(11) An elector whose name does not appear on the voters' list may vote at an election, providing that the electoral officer or his deputy is satisfied that such person is qualified to vote.

(12) Every elector who is inside the polling place at the time fixed for closing the poll shall be entitled to vote before the poll is closed.

7. Immediately after the close of the poll the electoral officer or his deputy shall in the presence of such of the candidates or their agents as may be present open the ballot box and

- (a) examine the ballot papers and reject all ballot papers,
  - (i) which have not been supplied by him; or
  - (ii) by which votes have been given for more candidates than are to be elected; or
  - (iii) upon which anything appears by which the voter can be identified, but no word, letter or marks written or made or omitted to be written or made by the electoral officer or his deputy on a ballot paper shall avoid it or warrant its rejection;
- (b) declare a ballot paper containing the names of candidates for more than one office, on which votes are given for more candidates for any office than are to be elected, to be void as regards all the candidates for such office; but such ballot paper shall be good as regard the votes for any other offices in respect of which the voter has not voted for more candidates than are to be elected;
- (c) subject to review on recount or on an election appeal, take a note of any objection made by any candidate or his agent to any ballot paper found in the ballot box and decide any question arising out of the objection;
- (d) number such objection and place a corresponding number on the back of the ballot paper with the word "allowed" or "disallowed", as the case may be, with his initials;
- (e) count the votes given for each candidate from the ballot papers not rejected and make a written statement of the number of votes given to each candidate and of the number of ballot papers rejected and not counted by him which statement shall be then signed by him and such other persons authorized to be present as may desire to sign the same.

8. Immediately after the completion of the counting of the votes the electoral officer shall publicly declare to be elected the candidate or candidates having the highest number of votes, and he shall also post in some conspicuous place a statement signed by him showing the number of votes cast for each candidate.

9. Where it appears that two or more candidates have an equal number of votes, the electoral officer shall give a casting vote for one or more of such candidates, but the electoral officer shall not otherwise be entitled to vote.