

Doubtful ballot papers – allowed votes: straightforward examples

Straightforward examples of allowed votes are provided here. All of these examples are based on the specific rules for the elections. Ultimately the decision on any particular ballot paper rests with the Local Returning Officer.

References are to the Police and Crime Commissioner Elections Order 2012.

Election of Police and Crime Commissioner for (insert name of police area) police area

Vote once in column 1 for your first choice, and
Vote once in column 2 for your second choice

	Column 1 first choice	Column 2 second choice
BOOTS, Dusty The League of Line Dancers Candidate	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
GREY, Earl The Mad Hatter's Tea Party Candidate	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
HOOD, Robin The Forest Party Candidate	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
JIANG, Mike Independent	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
MILLER, Windy The Alternative Power Forum Candidate	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
WILLIAMS, Rhys Independent	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Allow for Grey as first preference and Miller as second preference. Rule 53(2)(a) – vote marked elsewhere than in the proper place.

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GREY, Earl The Mad Hatter's Tea Party Candidate	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
HOOD, Robin The Forest Party Candidate	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
JIANG, Mike Independent	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
MILLER, Windy The Alternative Power Forum Candidate	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
WILLIAMS, Rhys Independent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Allow for Williams as first preference and Jiang as second preference. Rule 53(2)(c) – vote marked by more than one mark.

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JIANG, Mike Independent	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
MILLER, Windy The Alternative Power Forum Candidate	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
WILLIAMS, Rhys Independent	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Allow for Grey as first preference and Jiang as second preference. Rule 53(2)(b) – vote marked otherwise than by means of a cross.

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JIANG, Mike Independent	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
MILLER, Windy The Alternative Power Forum Candidate	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
WILLIAMS, Rhys Independent	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Allow for Hood as first preference and Grey as second preference. Rule 53(2)(b) – vote marked otherwise than by means of a cross.