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May 2022 elections: polling station handbooks and quick guides

We are now collecting orders for hard copies of polling station handbooks and quick guides for use at the May 2022 polls.

The deadline for completing the [online order form](#) is Friday 21 January 2022. We will be printing to order so it is important that you provide us with your figures by the deadline.

Please note that once you have submitted your order form, you will not be able to amend your order yourself. If you need to make any changes to your order, please contact infoengland@electoralcommission.org.uk

We will confirm the timing of the delivery of the hard copies in a future Bulletin.

Update to UK Government regulations on face coverings

As part of the UK Government's recent changes to coronavirus regulations, a legal requirement to wear face coverings in polling stations and count venues has been reintroduced. This means that the use of face-coverings will be required for individuals in a polling station or attending the count unless they are subject to an exemption. You can access the updated regulations [here](#).

Our [supplementary guidance and polling station handbook from May 2021](#) remain available to support you in managing any by-elections in your area in the current public health context.

As always, if you have any questions or would like to discuss any of this further, please contact infoengland@electoralcommission.org.uk

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