

**CL****UK Parliamentary election****Candidate checklist**

This checklist is designed to assist candidates standing for election to the UK Parliament in preparing to submit their nomination, and should be read alongside the Electoral Commission's Guidance for candidates and agents at a general election or at a by-election.

Task	Tick
<b>Nomination paper (all candidates)</b>	
Add your full name – surname in the first box and all other names in the second	
Optional - Use the commonly used name(s) box(es) if you are commonly known by a name other than your full name and want it to be used instead of your full name	
Description – Party candidates can use a party name or description registered with the Electoral Commission and supported by a certificate of authorisation from that party; others can use 'Independent' (and/or 'Annibynnol' in Wales) or leave this blank. Whatever you enter in this box will appear as your description on the ballot paper.	
Subscribers – all ten subscribers must sign. Use your copy of the electoral register to make sure the elector number of all subscribers is accurate	
Method of submitting the form to the (A)RO: by hand by yourself, your proposer or seconder, or by your election agent (if the (Acting) Returning Officer has previously received notification of their appointment). It cannot be submitted by post, fax, e-mail or other electronic means.	
<b>Candidate's home address form (all candidates)</b>	
Add your full name and home address	
Optional - If you do not want to have your home address printed on the ballot papers, complete part 2 of the form, giving the name of the constituency that your address is in (or country if outside the UK), and sign the form	
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<b>Candidate's consent (all candidates)</b>	
Refer to the Commission's guidance on qualifications and disqualifications	
Add your full date of birth	
Sign and date the document in the presence of another person	
Get the other person to complete and sign the witness section	
Method of submitting the form to the (A)RO: in person (no restriction on who may deliver), by hand. It cannot be submitted by post, fax, e-mail or other electronic means. The only exception to this is where the candidate is overseas in which case the consent may be sent by electronic means.	
<b>Certificate of authorisation (party candidates only)</b>	
Ensure the certificate contains the candidate's full name	
Check the certificate allows the registered party name or description given on the nomination paper to be used (or allows the candidate to choose the party name or any registered description)	
Ensure the certificate is issued by the party Nominating Officer (or someone that they have authorised to issue it on their behalf) and that it is the original copy signed by that person	
Method of submitting the form to the (A)RO: in person (no restriction on who may deliver), or by post. It cannot be submitted by fax, e-mail or other electronic means.	

<b>Request for party emblem (party candidates only)</b>	
Write the name or description of an emblem registered by the party and published on the Electoral Commission's website	
Ensure the request is made by the candidate	
Method of submitting the form to the (A)RO: in person (no restriction on who may deliver), or by post. It cannot be submitted by fax, e-mail or other electronic means.	
<b>Appoint an election agent (all candidates)</b>	
Give name, address and office address of the appointed election agent	
Ensure the appointed agent signs the form showing their acceptance	
Method of submitting the form to the (A)RO: in person (no restriction on who may deliver), or by post. It cannot be submitted by fax, e-mail or other electronic means.	
<b>Deposit (all candidates)</b>	
£500 deposit (to be submitted in legal tender, by a banker's draft or in any other way permitted by the (Acting) Returning Officer) by 4pm on the 19 <sup>th</sup> working day before the poll	