

# Referendum Regulations

## 1. Contacts

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## 2. Overview

Be in the right spirit for the Referendum: Be committed, be responsible, be fair, and engage in a constructive debate. By following these guidelines, we can ensure a smooth and fair Referendum process.

Students are encouraged to join either the "Yes" or "No" Campaign Teams to actively participate in shaping the debate and informing fellow students about the issue at hand.

## 3. Schedule of Events

**Campaign Team Registration Opens:** Friday 7 March (12pm)  
**Campaign Team Registration Closes:** Wednesday 12 March (12pm)  
**Campaign Team Inaugural Meetings:** Friday 14 March (timings sent to Teams)  
**Deadline for Amended Campaign Statements:** Monday 17 March (12pm)

**Voting Opens:** Wednesday 26 March, 9am  
**Voting Closes:** Thursday 27 March, 5pm  
**Results:** Thursday 27 March, approx. 6pm (online)

## 4. Questions

If you have any questions about the Referendum or Campaigning process, please contact the SRC Enquiries Team: [enquiries@src.gla.ac.uk](mailto:enquiries@src.gla.ac.uk).

## 5. Eligibility

Only fully registered students at the University of Glasgow may vote in the Referendum.

Only fully registered students at the University of Glasgow may Campaign in the Referendum

Any University of Glasgow student can join either the "Yes" or "No" Campaign Team, but may only campaign for one side.

## 6. Campaigning

Please read this section carefully and remain aware of the regulations for campaigning. Any breach of these regulations, particularly regarding behaviour towards others or destruction and defacing of University property could result in a complaint being considered under the [University's Code of Conduct](#).

To ensure an informed debate, two student-led Campaign Teams will be established - one for each side of the Referendum issue. Each Team will elect its own Coordinator from its membership and will be recognised as the official voice for its respective position.

All Campaign Team Members shall be able to nominate themselves as the Campaign Team Coordinator or nominate another member for the position who may accept if they wish to. If more than one individual nominates themselves as Campaign Team Coordinator, the Coordinator shall be decided by vote of those attending the inaugural meeting of the group.

The Campaign Team Coordinator will act as the key contact for all communications with the SRC. The Campaign Team Coordinator shall be responsible for ensuring that the conduct of their Campaign Team does not violate the Campaign regulations.

All students eligible to vote shall be able to join a Campaign Team.

Please be respectful of others throughout your Campaign, particularly people's personal space.

Campaign Teams will be able to access up to £30 (per team) for publicity materials in the furtherance of their Campaign. Receipts must be provided in advance of receiving any monies.

Campaigning must remain fair, respectful, and free from misinformation.

Campaign Teams must not engage in harassment, coercion, or disruptive behaviour while promoting their position.

No Campaign materials should interfere with university property, disrupt academic activities, or violate university policies.

All campaign material must be removable and taken down at the close of the referendum. Permanently affixing campaign material with non-temporary substances is not allowed.

Please do not affix any Campaign materials to handrails at any time.

Campaigning including the use of any kind of promotional material is not permitted within university buildings.

**The SRC has no responsibility for damage done through the fixing of Campaign materials and/or failure to remove them**

Campaigning within the student unions is permitted if given permission to do so.

The use of university administered notice boards and digital signage is prohibited.

Presenting a smart device (phone, tablet, laptop, etc.) to a student for them to vote, or voting on their behalf, is prohibited.

Callouts in lectures, both physical and online, are allowed before voting day, only with the permission of the lecturer.

Except for bought photocopying services, Campaign Teams are not permitted to use SRC facilities, including intellectual property, for the furtherance of their Campaign.

The use of loudhailers/megaphones on Gilmorehill campus is prohibited.

The use of unsolicited email correspondence via non-personal mailing lists (e.g. College/school email lists), or SRC or University administered social media pages/groups, by or on behalf of a Campaign Team, is not permitted.

Clubs and societies may endorse Campaign Teams and promote their Campaign using all the free methods available to them, e.g., Facebook, websites, or mailing lists. This includes SRC-affiliated clubs and societies who have SRC email domains and send correspondence via their club page on the SRC website.

The use of other University IT platforms (e.g., Moodle, Microsoft Teams etc.), by or on behalf of a Campaign Team, is not permitted. This includes the use of university administered social media accounts.

Promoting the voting platform via the SRC Website or the MySRC App is permitted on any non-University platform (e.g., Facebook, Instagram, etc.).

Occasionally, the Returning Officer may consult with the SRC to issue further Referendum guidance. This guidance can cover any elements of Referendum conduct and are to be as enforceable as these regulations. Any such guidance will be communicated to Campaign Team Coordinators by the SRC via email.

Any decisions arbitrated by the Returning Officer are final.

## **7. Voting Process**

The result of the Referendum shall be declared by the Returning Officer.

The result shall be decided by a simple majority of votes cast.



The result shall be published online on the SRC website only after being communicated to the respective Campaign Coordinators.

**By adhering to these regulations, we can ensure a fair and inclusive Referendum that allows all students to have their voices heard on this important issue.**