

**136. Before adjourning, ballot papers etc., to be sealed in boxes**

- (1) Before every adjournment of the count of the votes all ballot papers and other documents connected with such count shall be placed in one or more ballot boxes, and the officer conducting the count shall then, in the presence of such scrutineers and officers as are present, seal such ballot box or boxes with his official seal, if any, or with his private seal, and any scrutineer who shall desire so to do, shall be permitted by the officer conducting the count to place his special seal upon such ballot box or boxes. The cleft shall also be closed and sealed unless the ballot box is provided with an outer cover without a cleft.
- (2) Before recommencing the count such seals shall be exhibited unbroken to the scrutineers and officers.

*[Section 136<sup>7</sup> amended by No. 59 of 1919 s.5; No. 40 of 1987 s.84.]*