

ICAI Election 2021

Admissible number of votes to a Voter and Ballot paper

Each eligible member to vote (i.e. Voter) shall be given a ballot paper each for Council of the Institute and his respective Regional Council at the polling booth for recording his preference(s). The ballot paper shall be printed in English language on one side only and will contain names (in alphabetical order), membership number and photograph of the candidates.

A voter shall have one vote only, but shall have as many preferences as there are candidates. In order to cast his vote, the voter shall place on his ballot paper the number 1 (**in Arabic numerals**) in the square opposite the name of the candidate for whom

he desires to vote; and may, in addition, place the number 2 or the numbers 2 and 3 or the numbers 2, 3 and 4 and so on (**in Arabic numerals only**), in the squares opposite the name of other candidates in the order of his preference upto the maximum number of candidates standing for the election. However, a cross, i.e. 'X' mark may be put in the squares opposite the name(s) of candidate(s) to whom the voter does not desire to vote. A few illustrations of valid and invalid marking of preferences on ballot paper are given hereinafter for guidance of the voters so that marking of preference in any manner, other than permissible manner, is avoided.

Illustrations

	Name and Membership No. of the Candidate on the ballot paper	Valid Marking	Invalid Marking	Reason
Illustration 1	ABC ----- M.No. -----	1	T	Preference not marked in Arabic Numeral.
Illustration 2	ABC ----- M.No. -----	1	One	Preference not marked in Arabic Numeral.
Illustration 3	ABC ----- M.No. -----	1	(i)	Preference not marked in Arabic Numeral.
Illustration 4	ABC ----- M.No. -----	1		1 st preference not marked at all
Illustration 5	ABC ----- M.No. -----	1	¹	Preference marked outside the box
Illustration 6	ABC ----- M.No. -----	1	¹	Preference marked outside the box
Illustration 7	ABC ----- M.No. -----	1	Kumar	Name written in the box instead of marking valid preference
Illustration 8	ABC ----- M.No. -----	1		Signature used instead of marking valid preference.
Illustration 9	ABC ----- M.No. -----	1	एक	Preference not marked in Arabic Numeral.
Illustration 10	ABC ----- M.No. -----	1	God is great 1	Writing anything other than valid preference makes it invalid
Illustration 11	X) ABC ----- (Candidate 1) M.No. -----	1	1	Marking same preference to more than one candidate, makes that preference and all the subsequent preferences invalid.
	Y) DEF ----- (Candidate 2) M.No. -----	2	1	
	Z) GHI ----- (Candidate 3) M.No. -----	3	2	
Illustration 12	ABC ----- M.No. -----	1	✓	Tick symbol is used instead marking preference in Arabic Numeral.
Illustration 13	ABC ----- M.No. -----	1	X	1 st preference is not marked