

POLLING PLACE OBSERVATION

1. Report to polling place by 7:00 a.m. check-in with Inspector at polling place.
2. No eating or drinking is allowed in the polling place.
3. Your function is to observe procedures. Touching or handling any ballots or election materials is prohibited.
4. Questions concerning procedures should be directed to the inspector in charge. Observers should notify the inspector when leaving for breaks and for the evening.
5. If you believe established procedures are not being followed, report to the inspector and use the Observer Reporting Log, (please refer to pg. 15), to record the nature of the incident including precinct number, group number, time of the incident and any other details related to the problem.
6. Observers may not:
 - a. Touch any voting materials or equipment or sit at the official worktables.
 - b. Converse with voters (within 100 feet of the entrance to a polling place regarding the casting of a vote, or speak to a voter regarding his or her qualifications to vote.
 - c. Display any election material or wear campaign badges, buttons or apparel.
 - d. Wear the uniform of a peace officer, a private guard or security personnel.
 - e. Use cellular phones, pagers, or two-way radios inside the polling place and/or with 100 feet of the entrance to the polling place.
 - f. Use the telephones, computers or other polling place facilities at polling places or the central counting site.
 - g. Touch election personnel.
 - h. Eat or drink in the polls or the central counting site.
 - i. Talk to precinct workers while they are processing ballots.
 - j. Assist in operations at any polling place.

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7. Ballot security is our primary concern. Violation of security by an observer will result in his/her removal.
8. At the end of the evening return your badge, clipboard, pen and instructions.

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