

2008 Watch The Vote POLLING LOCATION CHECKLIST

Please complete as much of this information as possible for each polling location at which you are present. Questions filling out this form? Please call David Klein at 1(877) 868-3268 or Allison at 1 (206)723-1941

Critical times for watching the voting machines are 7AM-9AM and 7PM-closing.

Poll watchers (with watcher certificates) ARE PERMITTED to observe poll opening and closing procedures. Roving Election Monitors SHOULD BE PERMITTED to ask questions of the Judge of Elections and view Zero tapes. All participants should remain respectful, quiet, and non-threatening but remember that as watchers you have the right to record problems and ask questions. Please review the checklist in this brochure before watching the polls.

Your Name _____

You are a (check one) ___Poll worker ___Poll watcher ___Roving Election Monitor ___Other

Email _____ Phone: _____

Precinct# _____ Location _____

Machine Inventory: Total number at location _____ Number in operation _____

Polling Location Identification

- It was easy to find the poll site and correct line
Directions to new site provided at old site
Poll site was not clearly identified
Lines in multiple-precinct sites were not clearly identified
Poll site was moved from previous election
Directions NOT provided at old site
Poll Entrance was not clearly identified
Other difficulties. Explain: _____

Opening Issues

*Zero tapes are required to be printed from each machine that is used to vote. If a machine is unable to print a zero tape, voters should not be allowed to vote on the machine. Zero tapes must be posted and indicate the time and date they are printed; please verify that time and date are correct.

Machine had correct date and/or time of day YES NO
If not, describe: _____

Error messages appear on the touchscreen. Record any error message that appears on a screen and if possible, take a picture. Was machine taken out of service? YES NO
Time/Date/Name of person(s) involved _____ Serial # _____

Did zeros tapes print by 7AM? (If you are not sure, ask the judge). YES NO

What time were they printed? _____

If a zero tape was not printed, was the machine used for voting? YES NO

If yes, what was the Serial # _____

Time/Date/Name of person(s) involved _____

Were polls open at 7AM? YES NO

If not, do you know why? _____

IF machines were not functioning, were Emergency Paper Ballots made available? YES NO

How long did people wait for paper ballots? _____

Voter Registration

Voter registration and provisional ballots:

- Voter(s) were located in the poll book
- Voter claimed to be registered but was not in the poll book
- Voter not in poll book, voted provisionally
- Voter not in poll book, was directed to another location
- Voter not in poll book, requested provisional ballot, but was not given one
- Other _____

Please tell how long ago the voter who was not in the poll book claimed to have registered. _____

If a voter claimed to be registered but was not in the poll book, where did the voter register?

- Registrar's (or clerk's) office
- Department of Motor Vehicles
- Registration drive
- Private organization

Voter ID: (*applies to new registrants)

- Poll worker requested/received photo ID*
- Poll worker requested/received non-photo ID*
- Poll worker requested ID, not a new registrant
- ID not accepted, voter left*
- ID not accepted, voter voted provisionally*
- Voter had no ID, left*
- Voter had no ID, voted provisionally*
- First-time voter didn't know ID was required*
- Other

Lines/Wait Times

Voter wait times were typically:

- Less than 15 minutes
- 15- 30 minutes
- 30 minutes to an hour
- 1-2 hours
- Longer than two hours

Lines to sign-in or vote during the day were typically:

- There were no significant lines
- Lines at the voter sign-in table
- Lines at the voting machines
- Too few poll workers checking in voters
- Too few poll workers providing ballots
- Voter ID for new registrants took time
- Voters left without voting
- Other

Conditions of waiting were:

- Seating provided
- Standing only
- All Inside
- Outside covered
- Outside uncovered

Was there a long line at any time of day? **YES NO**

IF Yes, What time was it? _____ How long did people wait? _____

Were voters asked to leave, sent away? **YES NO**

Were voters given Emergency paper ballots if ALL machines were down? **YES NO** ...for excessively long lines? **YES NO**

Lines because polls opened late **YES NO**

Other circumstance? Please explain _____

Vote Casting Issues

At any time during the day, a voting machine failed to accept a vote.

Serial # _____

Was machine taken out of service? **YES NO**

Time/Date/Name of person(s) involved _____

Voter has difficulty selecting choice, vote switches to another candidate or screen, etc

Was machine taken out of service? **YES NO**

Serial # _____

Time/Date/Name of person(s) involved _____

Candidates selection missing from the ballot that is displayed, incorrect ballot is displayed, other: _____

Screen has poor readability, flickering, dim, skipping, buttons stick, other.

Serial # _____

Was machine taken out of service? **YES NO**

Time/Date/Name of person(s) involved _____

Disability Access

Wheelchair inaccessibility or accessibility attachments don't work? **YES NO**

Audio or magnification devices inadequate or inoperable? **YES NO**

Other: _____

Voter environment & intimidation

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Deceptive/intimidating flyers | <input type="checkbox"/> Improper Poll Worker Behavior |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Law enforcement activity | <input type="checkbox"/> Deceptive/intimidating information being communicated |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Inaccurate or intimidating phone calls received | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |

Security

Seal is broken or missing

Serial # _____

Time/Date/Name of person(s) involved _____

Voter access card or PEB problem, locks out voter, gets stuck or left in

Serial # _____

Time/Date/Name of person(s) involved _____

Memory cards or flash cards were replaced

Circle One: Before voting During voting After voting

Serial # _____

Time/Date/Name of person(s) involved _____

Machines stored in unlocked location,

Memory cards not secured, machine connected to telephone line, other.

Serial # _____ Time/Date/Name of person(s) involved _____

Other Issues

Provisional Ballot Issues

Failure to offer provisional ballot to any voter not on voter lists, mishandling of provisional ballots, other: _____

Results Tape Issues

Document if result tapes are not posted at the end of the day.
Document any printer jams, prints over previous entries, not visible, won't print at all, missing races, other:

Detailed Observations:

Please use this space for notes and to record events in detail.