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Voter Integrity Project



MONTANA

## POLL WATCHER TRAINING CERTIFICATE

Name \_\_\_\_\_

County \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Trainer Signature \_\_\_\_\_



13-13-120. Poll watchers -- announcement of elector's name. The election judges shall permit one poll watcher from each political party to be stationed close to the poll lists in a location that does not interfere with the election procedures. At the time when each elector signs the elector's name, one of the election judges shall pronounce the name loud enough to be heard by the poll watchers. A poll watcher who does not understand the pronunciation has the right to request that the judge repeat the name. Poll watchers must also be permitted to observe all of the vote counting procedures of the judges after the closing of the polls and all entries of the results of the elections.

13-13-121. Additional poll watchers. A candidate, a group of candidates, or any group having an interest in the election may request the election administrator to allow additional poll watchers at any precinct. The election administrator shall grant such requests if the number of poll watchers at the polling place will not interfere with the election procedures.



## Election Judge Handbook – Polling Place “Quick Guides”

### Poll Watchers:

- Have any poll watchers identify themselves when they arrive.
- Make sure that they are not wearing any campaign buttons, political t-shirts or any other political materials. Electioneering is not allowed within 100 feet of any entrance to a polling place (see “Electioneering” on page 14).
- The election judges shall permit one poll watcher from each political party to be stationed close to the poll lists in a location that does not interfere with the election procedures.
- Additional poll watchers may be permitted to participate provided that the number will not interfere with election procedures. Permission should come from the election administrator or from the chief election judge or polling place manager.
- At the time when each elector signs his name, the Register Judge shall pronounce the name loud enough to be heard by the poll watchers. A poll watcher who does not understand the pronunciation has the right to request that the judge repeat the name.
- Poll watchers can be permitted to view the Register only if it can be done during a time that does not interfere with any voting, and with permission of the Chief Election Judge.
- Poll watchers shall also be permitted to observe all the vote counting procedures after the closing of the polls (or before close of polls if they remain sequestered with counting judges) and all entries of the results of the elections.
- Poll watchers may challenge any elector, using the prescribed form properly completed.
- Poll watchers may speak to an Election Judge within a polling place to discuss application/interpretation of Election procedures/laws, so long as it does not interfere with the election procedures as determined by the Chief Election Judge
- Make sure that the poll watchers are not soliciting information or promoting an issue or candidate to electors in the polling place.
- When poll watchers are using cell phones ask them to go to a secluded spot or outside the polling place, where the Electors will not hear them and where the call will not be distracting to those voting.
- If you are having problems with a poll watcher, call the Elections Office.

### 44.10.311 ELECTIONEERING - INTERPRETIVE RULE

- (1) As used in 13-35-211, MCA, "electioneering" means the solicitation of support or opposition to a candidate or issue to be voted upon at the election or polling place in question, by means of:
- (a) Personal persuasion, electronic amplification of the human voice, or the display or distribution of campaign materials.
  - (b) Offering or distribution of food, drink, or any other material benefit in a manner calculated to encourage recognition, support, or opposition to a candidate or issue.
  - (c) "Electioneering" does not include the display of ordinary bumper stickers on automobiles.

# October 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
		ABSENTEE BALLOTS MAILED <span style="background-color: #e91e63; color: white; padding: 2px;">VOTER REGISTRATION CLOSES</span>	In Person "Absentee" Voting at County Election Offices Oct 10 – noon Nov 5  LATE REGISTRATION BEGINS			
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	Late Registration Continues					
	In Person "Absentee" Voting at County Election Offices Oct 10 – noon Nov 5					
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	Late Registration Continues					
	In Person "Absentee" Voting at County Election Offices Oct 10 – noon Nov 5					
28	29	30	31	NOV 1	NOV 2	NOV 3
	Late Registration Continues					
	In Person "Absentee" Voting at County Election Offices Oct 10 – noon Nov 5					

# November 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
					Printing of election Precinct Register	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	Noon <span style="background-color: #e91e63; color: white; padding: 2px;">Close of Late Registration</span>	<b>ELECTION DAY</b>  <span style="background-color: #e91e63; color: white; padding: 2px;">SAME DAY REGISTRATION BEGINS &amp; ENDS</span>				
	printing of supplemental precinct registers EARLY OPENING OF ABSENTEE BALLOTS	BALLOT COUNTING				
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
		3:00 p.m. - Counting of provisional ballots not resolved by the end of election day	Period for State Board of Canvassers to randomly choose precincts to be audited for post- election audit Nov 13 – 15			
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	Post- Election Audit for machine tabulation counties Nov 14- 19					

Montana Registered

County Name	Election no update 11/10/12				Provisionals Counted 11/13/2012	Registered Voters	Includes Same Day Registrations 11/7/2012 430am Registered Voters	From 8/3 - Late Reg Close	Election Day 430am	Same Day Registrations	Provisional Ballots
	8/3/12	09/27/12	11/5/2012 430am	11/6/2012 430am							
Beaverhead	6,337	6,472	6,611	6,676	6,697	6,697	274	339	21	0	
Big Horn	8,140	8,257	8,349	8,392	8,415	8,426	209	252	23	11	
Blaine	3,758	3,856	4,016	4,042	4,059	4,059	258	284	17	0	
Broadwater	3,784	3,832	3,929	3,965	3,976	3,976	145	181	11	0	
Carbon	6,744	6,862	7,087	7,151	7,176	7,175	343	407	25	-1	
Carter	948	959	985	994	996	996	37	46	2	0	
Cascade	51,089	51,694	52,694	53,113	53,370	53,376	1,605	2,024	257	6	
Chouteau	3,824	3,767	3,835	3,847	3,856	3,856	11	23	9	0	
Custer	6,875	6,957	7,173	7,259	7,296	7,296	298	384	37	0	
Daniels	1,230	1,251	1,289	1,304	1,308	1,308	59	74	4	0	
Dawson	5,636	5,720	5,883	5,932	5,943	5,943	247	296	11	0	
Deer Lodge	5,534	5,587	5,678	5,733	5,772	5,772	144	199	39	0	
Fallon	1,783	1,813	1,844	1,855	1,864	1,864	61	72	9	0	
Fergus	7,547	7,642	7,774	7,842	7,854	7,854	227	295	12	0	
Flathead	58,334	59,179	60,550	60,873	61,121	61,122	2,216	2,539	248	1	
Gallatin	65,536	67,633	69,512	69,730	69,942	69,943	3,976	4,194	212	1	
Garfield	885	892	915	913	914	914	30	28	1	0	
Glacier	7,130	7,273	7,548	7,595	7,616	7,616	418	465	21	0	
Golden Valley	576	583	600	606	607	607	24	30	1	0	
Granite	2,045	2,086	2,146	2,161	2,171	2,172	101	116	10	1	
Hill	9,351	9,451	9,644	9,763	9,807	9,805	293	412	44	-2	
Jefferson	7,753	7,869	8,034	8,104	8,121	8,121	281	351	17	0	
Judith Basin	1,448	1,464	1,487	1,494	1,499	1,499	39	46	5	0	
Lake	17,836	17,976	18,428	18,584	18,670	18,671	592	748	86	1	
Lewis & Clark	43,944	44,364	45,469	45,663	45,789	45,789	1,525	1,719	126	0	
Liberty	1,213	1,220	1,234	1,247	1,246	1,246	21	34	-1	0	
Page 1 Totals	329,280	334,659	342,714	344,838	346,085	346,103	13,434	15,558	1247	18	



## Montana Election Laws

**13-2-206. Citizenship requirements.** A person may not be permitted to register until the person attains United States citizenship.

**13-2-207. Confirmation of registration.** (1) The election administrator shall give or mail to each elector a notice, confirming registration and giving the location of the elector's polling place. A notice sent to an elector to whom the notice is not personally given must be sent by nonforwardable, first-class mail, which must conform to postal regulations to ensure address corrections are received. If the notice is returned undeliverable the application for voter registration may not be placed on the register of electors kept by the election administrator. (2) The election administrator shall investigate the reason for the return of any mailed notices and mail a confirmation notice to the elector. The notice must conform to postal regulations to ensure return, not forwarding, of undelivered notices.

**13-2-208. Elector to furnish residential address -- prohibiting registration for failure to provide address.** (1) An elector shall provide the election administrator with the elector's current street address, rural address, or, if neither of those addresses is available, other specific geographic location information from which the location of the elector's residence may be easily determined by the election administrator. (2) The election administrator may not register an elector who fails to provide the information required by subsection (1).

**13-2-221. Agency-based registration.** (1) Qualified individuals must be given the opportunity to register to vote when applying for or receiving services or assistance: (a) at an agency that provides public assistance; (b) at or through an agency that provides state-funded programs primarily engaged in providing services to persons with disabilities; or (c) at another agency designated by the secretary of state with the consent of the agency. (2) Agency-based registration sites must: (a) distribute application for voter registration forms with each application for services or assistance; and (b) assist an applicant in completing an application for voter registration form unless the applicant refuses assistance. (3) The completed application for voter registration form must be transmitted by the agency to the election administrator of the county of the elector's residence within the time period specified by 42 U.S.C. 1973gg, et seq. (4) As used in this section, "agency" means a state agency as defined in 2-4-102 (2)(a) or an office of a city, county, consolidated city-county government, or town.

**13-2-222. Reactivation of elector.** (1) The name of an elector must be moved by an election administrator from the inactive list to the active list of a county if an elector meets the requirements for registration provided in this chapter and: (a) appears at a polling place in order to vote, submits an application to vote by absentee ballot in a polling place election or mail ballot election, or votes in a mail ballot election conducted under Title 13, chapter 19; (b) notifies the county election administrator in writing of the elector's current residence, which must be in that county; or (c) completes a reactivation form provided by the county election administrator that provides current address information in that county. (2) After an elector has complied with subsection (1)(a), (1)(b), or (1)(c), the county election administrator shall place the elector's name on the active voting list for that county. (3) An elector reactivated pursuant to subsection (1)(a) is a legally registered elector for purposes of the election in which the elector voted.



## MONTANA ELECTION OBSERVER QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

**Chief Election Judge (CJ)** Ultimate Authority at the Polling Location

**Election Judge (EJ)** Other Election Officials at the Poll

**Poll Watchers (PW)** A person officially appointed to observe the election

**Election Administrator (EA)** Local authority responsible for election oversight

### What to do if you observe an infraction:

- **Notify CJ of infraction when no voters are present**
- If correction is made: Document incident noting correction
- If correction is not made: Document incident noting outcome
- If major infraction, and not addressed call elections number and document answer
- Include time and names of all involved CJ, EJ, PW, EA, etc
- Description of violation—what was witnessed and what was said
- Leave out opinion/emotion

**POLL PLACE SIGNATURE GATHERING**

No person can obstruct the polling place or engage in solicitation of an elector that interferes with the election process or obstructs access to or from the polling place.

Orderly gathering of initiative petition signatures AT the polling place may not be prohibited. (39 AG Op 62 1982) Opponents of signature gather petition have the same rights as the proponents.

Signature Gatherers are allowed in the polling place building, not in the voting area.

Exit pollsters must be outside the building.

**COUNTING OF BALLOTS**

- Ballot counting continues until the votes for all candidates and ballot issues are counted.
- Counting may not be discontinued on election day/night and restarted the next day.

**EARLY PICK UP OF VOTED BALLOTS**

- Ballots are placed in the "EARLY TALLY PICKUP" container.
- Ballot Report Form is completed including precinct number and total number of ballots enclosed.
- The container is sealed.
- Relinquish the Early Tally Pick-up container to authorized personnel for delivery to the counting center. This may be law enforcement.

**CLOSING THE POLLS**

- Shortly before 8:00pm or earlier if ALL registered electors have voted, a proclain shall be made the polls will be closing soon.
- No person shall be allowed to vote after the polls are closed. The CJ shall have a procedure to determine the last person in line at 8:00pm.
- Follow the ballots to the counting center and observe the delivery of the ballots

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# COUNTING BALLOTS

## Absentee Ballots

- ✓ Each absentee secrecy envelope is removed to determine if there is more than one ballot for each election in the envelope.
- ✓ If more than one ballot for each election is in the envelope, the ballots must be rejected if it cannot be determined for certain that only one ballot has been marked.

## Hand Counting Ballots

- ✓ If counting begins before the polls close **THE COUNTING BOARD AND ANY OBSERVERS MUST BE SEQUESTERED UNTIL POLLS ARE CLOSED. Once tabulation starts, it must continue without adjournment until completion.**
- ✓ Upon receipt of ballot case, the ballots are removed after verifying seal # and the seal log is signed. The number of ballots should reconcile with the poll books.
- ✓ One person reads the votes. Two people tally by marking 5 ticks per square.
- ✓ When all votes are counted call in results to Election Office (if instructed to do so), post results at location where counting is taking place

## Machine Tabulating Ballots

- ✓ If count begins before the polls close **COUNTING BOARD AND ANY OBSERVERS MUST BE SEQUESTERED UNTIL POLLS ARE CLOSED. Once tabulation starts, it must continue without adjournment until completion.**
- ✓ Upon receipt of ballot case, the ballots are removed after verifying seal # and the seal log is signed. The number of ballots should reconcile with the poll books.
- ✓ The ballots should be inspected for damage and ragged edges. Any damaged ballots that need to be duplicated are removed to the designated area for duplication.
- ✓ Repeat pre-election ballot count test; results from election night must match pre-election results. Zero totals, print zero report. Over vote and write in switches are turned on.
- ✓ Ballots not accepted by scanner are put into appropriate basket and delivered to boards
- ✓ After each precinct is scanned, ballots are taken to the appropriate board for sealing.
- ✓ After all ballots are scanned, the resolution ballots are run through the scanner.
- ✓ The computer tape having precinct totals is attached to the appropriate precinct election results.
- ✓ Results are posted at counting center.

## WHO MAY BE IN THE VOTING AREA?

- ✓ Voters
- ✓ Election Judges
- ✓ Poll Watchers
- ✓ Children under 18 accompanying a parent to vote
- ✓ Persons admitted to provide assistance to the voter
- ✓ State and Federal Election Inspectors
- ✓ Law Enforcement Officers requested by the Election Judge or Election Administrator
- ✓ Election Judges may not leave the polling place premises during their assigned shift.

## ELECTIONEERING OR CAMPAIGNING

**DEFINITION:** Electioneering means soliciting support/opposition to a candidate or issue to be voted on at the polling place.

- Ordinary bumper stickers on automobiles is NOT electioneering

**Restricted within 100 feet of any polling place entrance.**

- Personal persuasion, electronic voice amplification, display or distribution of campaign materials.
- Offering or distribution of food or other material benefit calculated to encourage support/opposition .
- Soliciting support/opposition to a candidate or issue is prohibited when that candidate/issue is on the ballot.
- No display of campaign/issue badges, buttons, clothing, insignias etc.

**ONGOING POLL ACTIVITIES**

- ✓ **Electoral did not bring ID:** Complete Polling Place Electoral ID form, call Election Office to verify ID information on the card.
- ✓ If information is not verified, the elector casts a **Provisional Ballot.**
- ✓ **Electoral's name is not in the Register:** Call election office to verify and complete "Erroneous Omission from Precinct Register.
- ✓ Electoral cast a regular ballot.
- ✓ **Electoral's Address is incorrect in the Register:** Electoral completes a new Registration Card and casts a regular ballot.
- ✓ **Register states Electoral was issued an Absentee Ballot:** Electoral casts a Provisional Ballot that will be counted if no absentee ballot is returned.
- ✓ **Electoral cannot sign the Register:** EJ signs the register as a witness to the elector's mark.
- ✓ **Absentee Ballots are allowed to be dropped off at Polling place in the home county.** Late Registrants must return ballots to the county election office.

**RULES FOR POLL WATCHERS**

- At arrival, the Poll Watcher will identify themselves to the Chief Election Judge.
- One Poll Watcher from each party is permitted close to the poll lists.
- Additional Poll Watchers may be permitted, with permission from the EA or the CJ.
- Leave the voting area to make a phone call.
- Thoroughly document all observations during the voting process.
- Review the Register without interference of the voting and with permission of the CJ.
- Observe, document and report if needed, do not comment or interject themselves into the voting process.
- Witness the opening and closing of the polls.
- Follow the vehicles carrying the cast ballots to the counting location, usually the county election administrator location.
- Observe the vote counting procedures.

**THE POLL WATCHER MAY NOT:**

- Wear anything for or against a candidate, party or position (buttons, shirts, stickers, etc).
- Use a cell phone inside the polling location.
- Interfere with the election procedures.
- Solicit information or promote an issue or candidate to electors in the polling place.
- Be a candidate on the ballot.
- Speak in the presence of voters to challenge, point out an irregularity to the EJ or CJ, or make a request of the EJ or CJ.
- Handle any official documents.

Poll Watcher Information page 11 & 12 -- 2012 Election Judge Handbook  
[http://sos.mt.gov/Elections/Officials/Forms/election\\_Judge\\_Forms/2012\\_Election\\_Judge\\_Handbook.pdf](http://sos.mt.gov/Elections/Officials/Forms/election_Judge_Forms/2012_Election_Judge_Handbook.pdf)

Hotline # \_\_\_\_\_

Team Leader \_\_\_\_\_ Team Leader# \_\_\_\_\_

Precinct Assignment# \_\_\_\_\_

Precinct Address \_\_\_\_\_

Date and Time Assignment \_\_\_\_\_

County Office Address \_\_\_\_\_

County Office Phone# \_\_\_\_\_ Sec Of State # \_\_\_\_\_

## LATE REGISTRATION ELECTION LAW

**13-2-304. Late registration -- late changes -- nonapplicability for school elections.** (1) Except as provided in subsections (2) and (3), the following provisions apply:

(a) An elector may register or change the elector's voter registration information after the close of regular registration in 13-2-301 and vote in the election if the election administrator in the county where the elector resides receives and verifies the elector's voter registration information prior to the close of the polls on election day.

(b) Late registration is closed from noon to 5 p.m. on the day before the election.

(c) Except as provided in 13-2-514(2)(a), an elector who registers or changes the elector's voter information pursuant to this section may vote in the election only if the elector obtains the ballot from and returns it to the location designated by the county election administrator.

(2) If an elector has already been issued a ballot for the election, the elector may change the elector's voter registration information only if the original voted ballot has not been received at the county election office and if the original ballot that was issued is marked by the issuing county as void in the statewide voter registration database prior to the change.

(3) The provisions of subsection (1) do not apply with respect to an elector's registration to vote in a school election held pursuant to Title 20

## PRIOR TO OPENING THE POLLS:

- CJ and EJs meet at the polling place at the assigned time.
- CJ and EJs take and subscribe to the judge's official oath in the poll book.
- Verify Material and Supplies list provided by the EA.
- Verify the number of ballots delivered on the Ballot Report Form
- Verify all seal numbers
- Mark the signature lines in the precinct register for absentee electors.
- Post or display at polling place a list registered electors, "SAMPLE" Ballots, MT Voter Information notices, "Warning" notice, List of absentee electors

### Set up official table:

Ballots in numerical order; Official Ballot Stamp; Secrecy Sleeves; Precinct Register; Poll book; Copy of the Registered Voter List; List of the absentee Electors; Ballot boxes, Registrations forms, provision ballot supplies, polling place elector ID forms

Open the ballot boxes ascertain they are empty, replace the lock. Key is given to the CJ or security seal number is recorded in the poll book

**7:00 am Officially proclaim the polls are open**

**VALID FORMS OF ID FOR VOTING ONLY NEED ONE**

- IF A PICTURE ID IS PRESENTED (not required):

**Only the Name & Photo are checked** — The addresses are not checked. An out of state driver license is valid ID even if it is expired or suspended.

Passport	
State ID	Costco/Sam's Club Card
Student ID	Military ID
Tribal ID	Health Club ID
	Driver License
	Employee ID
	Credit Card with a photo

**Government ID with name and current address, the address is assumed to be current unless proven otherwise.**

- ✓ Voter Confirmation Card
  - ✓ Tax Refund Check
  - ✓ Medicaid/Medicare Statement
  - ✓ Welfare Check
  - ✓ Vehicle Registration
  - ✓ Property Tax Bill
  - ✓ SSI documents
  - ✓ Bills from the University System
  - ✓ Any government document (local, state, or federal) issued to a person with the person's name and address on it.
- Acceptable non-government ID's with name and current address, the address is presumed correct unless proven otherwise.**
- ✓ Veteran Administration documents
  - ✓ Subsidized Housing papers
  - ✓ WIC papers
  - ✓ Government Student loan paperwork
  - ✓ Social Security paperwork
  - ✓ Disability paperwork
  - ✓ USDA documentation
  - ✓ Polling Place Elector Identification Form

**INACTIVE VOTERS**

An inactive elector may reactivate and vote by affirming his/her residence address and signing the precinct register, requesting an absentee ballot or providing a voter registration form.

**CONDUCT OF ELECTION JUDGES**

**Election Judges Should Not:**

- Deposit a ballot in the ballot box which does not contain the official stamp
- Examine the ballot of an elector prior to depositing the ballot in the ballot box
- Look at any mark made upon the ballot by the elector
- Make or place any mark or device on any ballot with the intent of ascertaining how the elector has voted
- Allow an individual other than the elector to be present during the marking of the ballot, unless the elector has a disability and chooses someone to provide assistance pursuant to law.
- Make a false statement in a certificate regarding affirmation
- Leave the polling place premises during the assigned work hours

Note: Only an elector's name and photo are checked when an elector submits picture identification. Election judges do not check picture IDs to see whether the address on the identification is current. A driver's license or identification card is presumed to be current and valid if it is issued by any motor vehicle agency, regardless of its status.

"Identification " Pages 78—82 **Official Election Judge Handbook 2012**

[http://sos.mt.gov/Elections/Officials/Forms/Election\\_Judge\\_Forms/2012\\_Election\\_Judge\\_Handbook.pdf](http://sos.mt.gov/Elections/Officials/Forms/Election_Judge_Forms/2012_Election_Judge_Handbook.pdf)

**13-13-114. Voter identification and marking precinct register book before elector votes -- provisional voting.** (1) (a) Before an elector is permitted to receive a ballot or vote, the elector shall present to an election judge a current photo identification showing the elector's name. If the elector does not present photo identification, including but not limited to a valid driver's license, a school district or postsecondary education photo identification, or a tribal photo identification, the elector shall present a current utility bill, bank statement, paycheck, notice of confirmation of voter registration issued pursuant to 13-2-207, government check, or other government document that shows the elector's name and current address.

(b) An elector who provides the information listed in subsection (1)(a) may sign the precinct register and must be provided with a regular ballot to vote.

(c) If the information provided in subsection (1)(a) differs from information in the precinct register but an election judge determines that the information provided is sufficient to verify the voter's identity and eligibility to vote pursuant to 13-2-512, the elector may sign the precinct register, complete a transfer form or new registration form to correct the elector's voter registration information, and vote.

(d) An election judge shall write "transfer form" or "registration form" beside the name of any elector submitting a form.

(2) If the information presented under subsection (1) is insufficient to verify the elector's identity and eligibility to vote or if the elector's name does not appear in the precinct register or appears in the register as provisionally registered and this provisional registration status cannot be resolved at the polling place, the elector may sign the precinct register and cast a provisional ballot as provided in 13-13-601.

(3) If the elector fails or refuses to sign the elector's name or if the elector is disabled and a fingerprint, an identifying mark, or a signature by a person authorized to sign for the elector pursuant to 13-1-116 is not provided, the elector may cast a provisional ballot as provided in 13-13-601.

#### SPOILED BALLOTS

- If an elector makes a mistake on their ballot, the EJ will remove the stubs.
- The elector places the ballot in the "Spoiled" envelope.
- Inform the poll book judge to mark the poll book accordingly to reflect the spoiled ballot.
- Poll book judge records a new ballot number and the elector votes the new ballot.

#### VOTER CHECKIN

- ✓ Verify name on ID provided
- ✓ Name is entered in poll book must correspond to the stub on the electors' ballot
- ✓ The ballot must be stamped "**Official Ballot**"
- ✓ In a PRIMARY ELECTION the voter receives a ballot for each party, the elector votes one ballot and returns both ballots to the EJ.
- ✓ The EJ removes the stubs and deposits the unmarked ballots (if a primary election) in the appropriate container and the marked

#### MISSING BALLOTS

- Poll Book Judge indicates "MISSING" next to the number in the poll book.
- If the ballot has no number it is placed in the Spoiled Ballot Envelope and then in the ballot box.

#### VOTER ASSISTANCE

An elector requiring assistance marking a ballot due to disability or inability to read or write may choose a person to assist the elector, including an election judge, a minor, unregistered voter, or designated agent.

The elector can NOT be assisted by the employer, an agent of employer, an officer or agent of the elector's union. EJs must ask if the person assisting a voter is one of these. If so elector must choose another assistant.

**ELECTOR CHALLENGES**

- A challenge must be in the form of an affidavit and must be made by a registered Montana elector.
- A challenge cannot be granted based solely upon a change of address.
- If a challenge is resolved, the elector casts a regular ballot.
- If a challenge can not be resolved, the elector casts a provisional ballot.

**Grounds for Challenges: (13-13-301) the elector:**

- Is of unsound mind, as determined by a court
- Has voted in this election
- Is convicted of felony and serving in a penal institution
- Is not registered to vote as required by law
- Is not 18 years of age or older
- Has not been a resident of the county in which the elector is offering to vote
- Is a provisionally registered voter whose status has not changed to a legally registered voter

**PROVISIONAL BALLOTS**

A Provisional Voter has until 5pm the day after the election to provide valid identification or eligibility information either in person, by facsimile, electronic means or mail postmarked no later than the day after the election.

If the ballot is provisional due to a challenge on the grounds of unsound mind or serving a felony sentence, the challenger must provide documentation by 5pm the day after the election.

The EA shall provide a provisional ballot elector with a reason for a counted or uncounted ballot.

Provisional ballots not resolved by the end of the election day may not be counted until after 3pm on the sixth day after the election.

**13-13-301. Challenges.** (1) An elector's right to vote may be challenged at any time by any registered elector by the challenger filling out and signing an affidavit stating the grounds of the challenge and providing any evidence supporting the challenge to the election administrator or, on election day, to an election judge.

(2) A challenge may be made on the grounds that the elector:

- is of unsound mind, as determined by a court;
- has voted before in that election;
- has been convicted of a felony and is serving a sentence in a penal institution;
- is not registered as required by law;
- is not 18 years of age or older;
- has not been, for at least 30 days, a resident of the county in which the elector is offering to vote, except as provided in 13-2-514;
- is a provisionally registered elector whose status has not been changed to a legally registered voter; or
- does not meet another requirement provided in the constitution or by law.

(3) When a challenge has been made under this section, unless the election administrator determines that the challenge is insufficient, then without the need for further information:

- prior to the close of registration under 13-2-301, the election administrator shall question the challenger and the challenged elector and may question other persons to determine whether the challenge is sufficient to cancel the elector's registration under 13-2-402; or
- after the close of registration or on election day, the election administrator or, on election day, the election judge shall allow the challenged elector to cast a provisional paper ballot, which must be handled as provided in 13-15-107.

- In response to a challenge, the challenged elector may fill out and sign an affidavit to refute the challenge and swear that the elector is eligible to vote.
- If the challenge was not made in the presence of the elector being challenged, the election administrator or election judge shall notify the challenged elector of who made the challenge and the grounds of the challenge and explain what information the elector may provide to respond to the challenge. The notification must be made:

  - within 5 days of the filing of the challenge if the election is more than 5 days away; or
  - on or before election day if the election is less than 5 days away.

(c) The election administrator or, on election day, the election judge shall also provide to the challenged elector a copy of the challenger's affidavit and any supporting evidence provided.

(5) The secretary of state shall adopt rules to implement the provisions of this section and shall provide standardized affidavit forms for challengers and challenged electors.

# POLL WATCHER OBSERVATIONS

## November 2012 General Elections

### Abbreviations

<b>CI or CEI</b>	Chief Election Judge or Chief Judge the Precinct Authority Official Paid Election Worker; Temporary for the election only
<b>EA</b>	Election Administrator The elected County Clerk and Recorder or their designate
<b>EJ</b>	Election Judges Paid Election Workers
<b>ES</b>	Election Supervisor; an employee of the Election Administrator
<b>MT VIP</b>	Montana Voter Integrity Project
<b>PW</b>	Poll Watcher
<b>SOS</b>	Secretary of State

### Poll Watcher Observation Key

**Casc 18** Casc Denotes the County

18 Denotes the Poll Watcher

### County Codes

<b>CASC</b>	Cascade County
<b>FLAT</b>	Flathead County
<b>GALL</b>	Gallatin County
<b>GLAC</b>	Glacier County
<b>LAKE</b>	Lake County
<b>LC</b>	Lewis and Clark County
<b>MISO</b>	Missoula County
<b>PARK</b>	Park County
<b>SAND</b>	Sanders County
<b>YELL</b>	Yellowstone County

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# PRE ELECTION

## Pre Election

Casc 16	<p>Automark Testing advertised for the incorrect date. When requested to correct told "it's too late". Clerk concedes and readvertises the correct date</p> <p>According to Rina Fontana Moore's office (Cascade County Clerk) SOS issued a ruling denying citizen oversight of the absentee signature verifications, only allowed to observe from the opposite side of the counter</p> <p>When the MCA was requested, informed by the SOS that the AG was looking for the code that explains the ruling and would make the information available, this was never done.</p> <p>Official seal from the Automark Machine was removed and recorded. Clerk and asst were very helpful</p> <p>When asked why the exact same packet of test ballots weren't used for testing the machines, there was no answer.</p> <p>The machine for the visually/hearing impaired was tested using a test ballot from one of the poll watchers, it counted correctly.</p> <p>Reports were run for the Automark machines but were not reconciled with a hand vote of the test ballots used on the machines.</p> <p>During the time period PW randomly observed the Sanders County Courthouse. No unusual activity was observed during the random observations. No milling about was observed.</p>
<p>Random Sand 11</p> <p>Checks Oct 10-Nov 5</p>	<p>Observed from a bench just outside the office. Booths set up for voting and metal box for depositing voted ballots in their secrecy envelope</p> <p>Voters came in to register and drop off ballots</p> <p>Voters that registered voted</p> <p>Not busy</p>
<p>Sand 13</p> <p>Oct 17-31</p>	<p>Observed from a bench just outside the office. Booths set up for voting and metal box for depositing voted ballots in their secrecy envelope</p> <p>Voters came in to register and drop off ballots</p> <p>Voters that registered voted</p> <p>Not busy</p>

## Montana Recap

### Absentee Ballots

Casc 01	Elderly gentleman was told he voted absentee, he claims he always votes at the polls
Casc 06	Voter complained about having to show ID as absentee voter do not have
Glac 01	Voters who have requested absentee ballots showing up in person to vote CI spent most of the day on the phone verifying whether they had voted
MSO 06	Mother and Son show up at the polls state they voted and returned their ballots a month ago, register and EA state the ballots were not returned. Voted utilizing provisional ballots.
MSO 09	Registering to vote and given absentee ballots CI states the voters are checked to make sure they don't vote twice
Sand 07 Sand 07A Absentee Ballot	Voter went to Sanders County courthouse 7-10 days before election day Nov 6 2012, to request a new absentee ballot, because of an error made on the ballot. A new ballot was requested as directed in the instructions. The election clerk informed the voter the election office was issuing "white sticky tabs" to place over the incorrectly marked spot. When questioned about the instruction discrepancy the voter is informed this is how the Sanders County election office was handling incorrectly marked ballots.
Sand 09	Voter Wagner was turning in absentee ballot and wanted a new ballot because of mistakes, called courthouse, ballot was voided and recorded, she signed for a new ballot.
	2 absentee ballots dropped off, noted in the register
	Absentee Voter ballot voided, decided to vote at the polls.
	3 more absentee ballots dropped off.
	Voter had notified County to Stop sending absentee ballots, one received anyway. Cancelled in poll book new ballot issued.
	Voter with messed up absentee ballot wanted to vote in person EA contacted for the ballot number
Sand 14	Upon arrival at the EA office some of the ballots were on the desks of personnel in the EA office.
	EA introduced the observers to the election judges
	Judges were sworn in
	Two sets of teams were set up in the court room and one team in the Jury Room
	The ballots were brought up and work began. Anything other than a ballot in the secrecy envelope was given to the EA, copies of DL, address changes, etc
	Team 1 was not putting the secrecy envelopes in the locked box, but this was corrected when brought to the EA's attention
	At 1130am a 45 minute lunch break The boxes with the ballots were locked in the Jury Room
	Absentee Ballots 3

## ABSENTEE BALLOTS

## Montana Recap

### ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Sand 14	<p>The PWs had lunch right outside the room and saw no one enter thru that door. There were two doors only one was watched.</p> <p>There was a discrepancy with the ballot and secrecy envelope count, which was reconciled.</p> <p>The boxes containing the ballots were put in a locked vault</p> <p>One election judge spent more time than the others reading the ballots, compared to the other election judges who appeared to spend no time looking at the ballots. (newspaper photo) She would run her right hand down the ballot while looking at it then make sure there were 2 pages. When she straightened the ballots she would look over the ballot. Quite often she was still looking at the last ballot while picking up the next envelope.</p>
<p>Sand 15</p> <p>Opening Absentee Ballots</p>	<p>Upon arrival the PW was introduced the election judges. The election judges were split into two person teams. Two teams were in full view of observers one team worked in the conference view without view of observers.</p> <p>Six absentee election judges were sworn.</p> <p>The observers were informed about the official ballot report form and the general procedures</p> <p>Absentee ballots were brought to the EA office in batch containers, pre sorted by precincts, the smaller precincts were processed first.</p> <p>Yellow secrecy ballot is removed, if ballot was mailed without the secrecy envelope a spare secrecy envelop is used by the judge, secrecy ballots are deposited into a metal lock box until all the envelopes are opened</p> <p>The metal boxes are unlocked, the secrecy ballots are opened, unfolded and straightened out, Verification both ballot pages are included. If there is only one ballot page it is set aside as a discrepancy</p> <p>Once all ballots are opened and counted, the number of secrecy envelopes are counted to verify the numbers are the same.</p> <p>The prepared ballots and envelopes are banded together and marked with the appropriate number count and returned to the election office for counting after the polls close.</p> <p>The absentee ballots prepared in the presence of observers were 3096</p> <p>One election judge glanced deliberately at every ballots appearing to read the ballot circles.</p> <p>Election Worker logged in to the MT Votes database system (SOS) and scanned the bar code on the outside mailing envelopes</p> <p>Once envelopes are scanned the next step is to compare signatures if any signature looks questionable it is set aside</p> <p>A printout breakdown by precinct is banded to the absentee ballots in groups of 25</p> <p>The Absentee ballots are stored in the EA office until they are opened for the next step</p>
<p>Sand 15 Process when Ballots are received from Post</p>	<p>The Absentee ballots are stored in the EA office until they are opened for the next step</p>

# ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Yell 01	Absentee Ballots turned in by 11 Voters
Yell 02	Provisional Ballots given to 11 voter who had not recd their ballots ( no indication these voters were checked with the County) Voter lost absentee ballot, told to go to Metro, voter had already been there, sent by Metro to this precinct. He is going to call the Governor. Voter returned later with his ballot, apologized for his behavior.
	Absentee Ballot Voters from Missoula brought their ballots into the precinct. Ballots were accepted and documented. A voter came into the precinct and reported someone was going around the neighborhood offering photocopied absentee ballots for anyone who wanted them.

# COUNTING

<b>Counting</b>	
Casc 20	Clerk explained the process for watching the counting of ballots on election night. An observer must be sworn in and sequestered until the ballots are completely finished counting. Once sequestered, observers are not allowed to leave.
Casc 20	The Democrat poll watcher spent hours sitting and visting with Rina (Cascade Clerk) as she compared signatures on the absentee ballots.
PER RINA	SOS issued a ruling denying citizen oversight of the absentee signature verifications, citizens are only allowed to observe from the opposite side of the counter. When the MCA was requested, informed by the SOS that the AG was looking for the code that explains the ruling and would make the information available, this was never done.
CASC 16 PRE ELECTION	
Casc 20	The long late registration lines caused the workers to stay until close to 5AM, there were 17 employees and 12 hired workers, one staff person's husband joined the room at about 11pm and proceeded to work with the ballots
Sand 06	Folded Ballot sent to resolution board, ballot was remarked (copied)
Counting	Non county employees behind "the lines"
	Spoiled Ballots from Paradise
	Spoiled Ballots from Thompson Falls going to resolution board
	Ballot boxes unlocked sorted and counted
	Ballot boxes taken from carrier to 'vault' where there was no poll watcher access
<b>Handwriting ballots Transposing for counting</b>	
Casc 02	Military Online votes are copied onto a ballot for counting
Casc 02	Folded Ballots are an issue for counting
Sand 08	The Resolution Board corrects ballots that are kicked out of the machine. There is no one observing the board. The Resolution Board creates another ballot when ballots are rejected (ie folded). There was no observation of these replacement ballots.

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Command Center Calls

755	Notification of stickers being used violating spoiled ballot process MCA 13-13-117 (voters must be issued a new ballot)
850	People walking around Expo Park (Cascade County) inside the polling locations wearing vests. The vests are not marked, the Republican poll watchers are sitting behind the election judges. These people are walking around.
1019	Poll watcher in Lake County made a mistake on her own ballot and was given a sticker to put on the ballot
1022	Thompson Falls (Sanders County) is also using stickers instead of spoiled ballots
1054	Cascade County the vested patrols are Democrats determining how many people have voted. They are roving from precinct to precinct not interacting with voters, only the election judges. The vested patrols are asking for number of voters
1059	Missoula County counted votes the night before the elections, observed a lot of wasted time
1114	Cascade County poll watcher in precinct 23A was questioned by the EA and asked what she was doing there. PW explained to EA she was a poll watcher. All MT VIP poll watcher names were submitted to the County Election Administrators, the first time this has been done in the MT VIP counties and this poll watcher was questioned--how odd
1155	Candidates are poll watchers in Cascade County
1208	Lewis and Clark County long lines around the building, inside they are counting ballots, a lot of jamming in the machines. Several out of county license plates observed in the parking lot
1223	Lake County report at 632am At 632am in Whitefish Senior Center precinct 47, a Ms Metcalf who describes herself as a Democrat election attorney and a legal spectator for the Democrat party arrives at polls. The Chief Election Judge Elizabeth James Hall, turned her into an election judge as they were short 2 judges, she was making calls to the Clerk in Whitefish to resolve concerns on behalf of the Chief Election Judge. Ms Metcalf takes a phone call and then leaves the premises and states she will return, another poll watcher has come to replace her. Chief election Judge states poll watchers can leave the premises and come and go as they please. There is no record she was sworn in as a judge nor that she completed the paperwork to be paid. Her term of election "spectator" is odd, as that is not commonly used in MT
1305	Lewis and Clark County Library polling locations 5 copies of Time magazine Sept edition with Obama on the cover
1309	Lake County Election judges are encouraging the sticker use and not using a new ballot. Offered a new ballot or to put a sticker on the ballot. Group standing out in the parking lot in Lake County passing out pamphlets paid for by the MT Native Votes, hired people to stand out front of the polls, but outside the 100' radius. None of the pamphlets were let around. Judges were very good about keeping everything cleaned up.
1312	Yellowstone County is using the stickers

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**Command Center Calls**

1356	Lewis and Clark County ---Brian Miller, Democrat poll watcher and husband of Janet Eck, HD82 candidate, was "assisting" voters. Miller accosted a voter "did the registrar tell her that if she was voting provisional that she had to give proof in 24 hours, would you mind coming with me and we will talk to the county people". Miller was alleging she was not being informed that her vote wouldn't count if it is provisional. MT VIP PW asked if the voter had a problem with Miller as she was leaving. Miller then accosted MT VIP PW for talking to the voter. Voter walked to her car then came back and stated that Miller had violated her privacy by watching where she dropped her ballot.
	Lewis and Clark County (cont) Miller called the SOS office (SOS asst Gary?) reports there is a problem with the precincts telling people they had to vote at the county instead of their old polling site. Gary? shows up and tells Miller, that Miller could just make an announcement that people can vote in their old precincts. Miller asks MTTVIP PW if he should make the announcement. MTTVIP PW states, "I wouldn't".
1356	Lewis and Clark County there is a 2-3 hour wait 2 county clerks are registering people. Brian Miller the Democrat poll watcher just switched off with an attorney from his firm--Brenda Lindlief-Hall. Upon arrival she goes to the registration table and announces she is there to help. She posts a sign on the table where the voters in line walk by her. The sign reads "VOTER RIGHTS INFORMATION". Brian Miller was assisting people, talking to voters, telling them they only need a social security card and giving the impression he was in some official capacity.
1531	Cascade County Provisional Ballots Table is manned by Carly Boland candidate for office HD 20 Great Falls. Carly is writing down the names of the provisional ballots. Carly got up and left. Rina the Cascade County EA told MT VIP PW "Carly was asked to leave so there."
1542	Lewis and Clark County MT VIP PW spoke to the county election official, Marilyn, referred PW to County Attorney Paul Stahl, Stahl asks what the attorney Brenda is doing wrong, PW states she is interacting with the voters. Stahl states "what's wrong with that?", and walked away into the hallway. Democrat Poll Watcher Attorney had a book (Election Integrity) and passing out pens and acts as an information person very aggressive with people in line. Stahl asks what is the problem with what she is doing. Then asks PW what party he is with, PW states "Republican", Stahl states, "well that's the problem" (you are Republican). Marilyn states she will have Paulette (Chief EA) talk to the woman, Stahl then states the democrat attorney poll watcher is fine.
Dec 23 2012	<i>Followup conversation with Lewis &amp; Clark County EA, Marilyn confirmed the Democrat election attorney was asked several times by Marilyn and then Paulette DeHart County Clerk and Recorder to stop interfering with the voters in line, she continued.</i>
Dec 23 2012	<i>During the followup conversation, DeHart states they will have to start hiring security.</i>
1710	Lake County Artee polling location is using stickers. A group of students that had registered were not on the register. Whole class at the high school had been registered at the school, none of them were registered. (Appears the schools are registering the students a year in advance--perfectly legal.)
1730	Lewis and Clark County Brenda, the Democratat poll watching attorney is assisting the voters waiting for same day registration in Lewis & Clark County by asking their name and making a phone call to determine if they are registered or not. Also cookies and water have shown up at L&C County from a mysterious source, which the person delivering would not reveal when asked.

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**Command Center Calls**

Shantel one of the Cascade County EA overruled the original directive not to give the voter sign in poll register to the Democrat Carol Bronson (Neighborhood Works) and her husband Bill Bronson. So Carol thumbs thru the register and stopped thumbing thru when voters came up to vote.

Cascade County election worker came in thru a propped open outside back door with a box of ballots. Worker goes to bathroom with the ballots. PW follows her. Shantel EA accompanied by 4 Democrat attorneys surround PW-- Graybill, Andersons husband and wife and Zatig. PW states, "so whatever my question warranted must be pretty important". Shantel EA told PW never to talk to one of her employees, so PW asked the attorneys what they would do, if they saw someone carrying in a box of ballots with no identification. The attorneys follow the PW around the polling area and listen to her calls to the command center.

1925	Cascade County Tom Jacobsen Candidate HD handing out water food working the lines with a shopping cart, and with Andrew Blewett with his Senator name tag on—Blewett is not on the ballot. This was front page election coverage in the local paper
1936	Cascade County Linda EA told the three judges in precinct 22A not to seal the ballots tonight, 170 people still need to vote they are going to need the ballots and they are letting the judges go right now, Precinct 18D ran out of ballots,
2155	Sanders County PW Followed the ballots EA refused to allow observers to view the opening of the ballot box or to observe the ballots being taken out of the boxes to be taken to the counting area.

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Casc 03	Carly Boland candidate is a poll watcher 20A also roaming precincts
Casc 04	Strategically placed vehicles with bumper stickers parked outside polling place
Casc 04	Tom Jacobsen HD candidate pushing cart of food and water and handed it out to voters
	Joined by Sen Blewitt who was wearing his Legislative name tag
	Tom Jacobsen walked the perimeter of the voter line several times
	Democrat attorney's swarming everywhere throughout
Casc 07	"Montana Democrat Party Observer" booklet visible to voters The observer was escorting a voter
Casc 09	Sen Anders Blewett brought in water and snacks and passed it out to voters in line
	Blewett was talking to voters and going to and fro to other precinct tables after talking to voters.
	This is so acceptable it was reported in the newspaper
	Inside the entrance was a table with multiple known Democrat members with a sign "Trouble Voting, Talk to Me"
	Democrats were roaming the precincts talking to voters and various individuals the entire day
Casc 10	Tom Jacobson HD25 is handing out chips, water, candy etc he did not have a name tag on
	The Democrat Legal Team is here to prevent supporter suppression
Casc 13	Anders Blewett passing out water bottles
Casc 17	Carlie Boland HD candidate is in the Provisional Ballot area assisting with the ballots, as noted on KRTV news she is handling ballots. The clerk is questioned and responds it is perfectly legal, the clerk then removed Boland "so there is no perception of impropriety" Attorney Larry Anderson is observed frequently coming and going from the "election staff" area, an area the Clerk is using to register voters. Carol Bronson is flipping thru the registers and has unfettered access to the poll books in precinct 24A. The explanation from the Administrator official is that it is a compromise and Carol is "doing a different kind of poll watching".
	"There is a problem in 26C" Casc 10. The Clerk Rina and several lawyers were congregating. Ben Graybill asked Casc 10 is she had a question, she stated "no". Ben Graybill told Casc 10 if she had any questions to go ask "them" (Democrat attorneys). Bronson walked away, Graybill continued to stand at 26C. Casc 17 talks to Graybill, he explains he is doing something similar (poll watching) and helping people vote. He has a sign on his table IF YOU HAVE TROUBLE VOTING TALK TO ME. (inferring "official" assistance?)

## Electioneering

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Casc 18	<p>Carlle Boland Candidate was poll watcher in precinct 20A, she stayed for approximately 15 minutes on two separate occasions, reviewed the list of registered voters (poll books?)</p> <p>Several lawyers manning a table with a sign "Trouble Voting Talk to Me". Anders Blewett, Daniel, Larry Anderson, Bill Bronson, Benjamin Graybill, Gary Zadick and Alexander Blewett. Elizabeth Best didn't sit at the table but was nearby. Nancy Anderson was also observed sitting at the table. Is this an official election capacity?</p>
Casc 19	<p>Carlle Boland candidate was manning the table and taking provisional ballots, the voters handed their ballots to Carlle. She put it in a manilla envelope and an election judge put a sticker with the voter's name on the manilla envelope.</p> <p>Through out the day Tom Jacobson HD 25 is handing out food and drink items to electors standing in line. He handed out items to all the precinct tables also. Often he was accompanied by Sen Anders Blewett wearing his legislative nametag. Jacobson was not wearing any identification.</p> <p>Carlle Boland an active candidate in HD 23 was "all over the place". She was a poll watcher in 20A, standing by ballot boxes, and handled provisional ballots.</p> <p>One of the tables by the main door was occupied by Democrat attorney Dan Donovan with a sign "Voters Help Table".</p> <p>"Resident Democrat" was actively engaging voters in line in conversation</p> <p>Clerk Rina Moore amd Shantelle, election supervisor spent much of their time visiting with the Democrat attorneys, Bests, Larry Anderson, Graybill and members of the CCDC. There was a long line of voters who needed to be waited on.</p> <p>Tom Jacobson, candidate HD 25 was pushing a shopping cart with water and misc treats to offer voters standing in line, most of the time accompanied by Sen Anders Blewett who also pushed the cart and mingled with the voters.</p> <p>Western Native Voice were handing out voting instructions, there were one or two security workers outside at all times to ensure the 100' law</p>
Glac 01	<p>Tester staffers waited for unregistered voters to drive them to Cut Bank for same day registration</p> <p>Tester staffer brings food to the election judges, removes "Tester" sticker when advised.</p> <p>Security worker tells Clerk that people are moving within the 100 feet to hand out voter information cards.</p> <p>Clerk instructs sheriff to enforce the 100' barrier as per state law</p> <p>Security workers are struggling to keep the handicapped spots open for handicapped voters</p>
Lake 03	<p>Arlee Senior Center A Woman is handing out voter literature. Inquired about the electioneering, some thought she was too close some thought she was OK</p>
Lake 04	<p>An organization called Montana Native Vote is approx 20 feet from the door handing out campaign literature. They are approaching people as they go to the door.</p>

## MONTANA RECAP

### Electioneering

LC 04	Kristine Kaufman (D) brought to the attention of an election judge a Perera (R) truck with campaign parked across the street appeared more than 100 feet away
	Governor candidate filmed voting
	Absentee voter allowed to vote after calling the election office
	Another inactive voter given new registration card and allowed to vote
	Voter showing registered in computer for precinct 8 but not in the poll book, sent to elections office
MSO 02	Forward Montana handing out granola bars and juice, they are set up in University Center at the UM (polling location)
MSO 04	A man inside the polling place holding up a sign about voter information and rights, in very small print it says "paid for by the Montana Democrat Party" it is intended to look official.
MSO 10	The Fairgrounds parking lot was full, there were hundreds of people in line, those leaving stated it was a 3 hour long wait.
	The atmosphere was like a party. People moved thru the crowds offering pizza, granola bars and water. Observer heard an announcement there were 40 more pizzas on their way. There was a large candy supply.
	People moved around the crowd encouraging them to stay and thanking them.

# MONTANA RECAP

## Election Process

Casc 04	Voter names were not announced
Casc 04	Ballot numbers were not announced or communicated between judges
Casc 04	Ballot numbers were not able to be heard by poll watchers.
Casc 04	Voter Address Cards given to many voters (is there any follow thru with address changes?)
Casc 04	Visiting between election judges and voters
	Political discussions, ballot discussions, Illinois Politics between judges and voters
Casc 04	Voter going from precinct to precinct to obtain new ballot page 1
Casc 04	Precinct 18C ran out of ballots 1744pm
Casc 04	Precinct 18C receives ballots 1831 (Follow up with PW)
Casc 04	Election Judges using cell phones at the voting tables
	election judge at 19C took a ballot and walked away from the table then placed it back on the ballot stack
Casc 04	Voter allowed sign poll book and vote with no form of ID
Casc 04	Extra ballot returned to election judge it had been left in the privacy folder 18C
Casc 04	Election worker announced to leave ballot boxes unsealed then there was a shout to seal the boxes
Casc 04	No official call to close the polls was heard
Casc 04	Some precinct tables were being shut down by one election judge no witnesses
Casc 04	Precinct was shut down, voters still at the tables and some still in line.
Casc 05	Voter asked the election to explain a ballot initiative, judge explained the for/against
	Spoiled ballot handled according to procedure, no stickers
	Elector registered in 18A under maiden name and in 18B under married name
	Sen Blewett walking precinct booths handing out blue sheets to election officials, gathering voter information
Casc 07	Voter issued a new ballot spoiled ballot NO STICKER
Casc 08	2 spoiled ballots followed procedures NO STICKERS
	Experienced and professional election judges
	The first four people did not sign poll book election judges found them and had them come back to sign
Casc 09	Voters are completing ballots on open table and conversing freely with others
	Voter is refused as not being in the voter book Later voter is at another precinct 20 B
	Voters wearing Bullock and Obama pin when at 22B Voter took off pin when he overheard the poll watcher alerted judge Earlier a voter with campaign shirt was not questioned
	Prior to closing an assumed election worker (male) told the judges at 22A&B to leave the ballot boxes open and on the individual tables as the ballots may be needed Precinct 18 D ran out of ballots

# ELECTION PROCESS

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Casc 09	<p>Later the order to leave the boxes open was rescinded and the ballot boxes were supposed to be sealed.</p> <p>Election judges at 22A were quick professional and helpful to voters</p>
Casc 10	<p>Individuals who are authorized to be in the voting areas should have legibly printed name badges and their authorized function</p> <p>Election judges are getting ready to leave the ballots are not sealed and left out</p>
Casc 11	<p>There a lot of voters who did not vote in the primary and are no longer on the rolls--they are given "absentee" ballots (possibly provisional ballots will followup with PW)</p> <p>Voter not registered given absentee ballot--</p> <p>ID's are freely offered</p> <p>Voting is done on long tables there is no privacy</p> <p>Are election judges allowed to pre stamp ballots with the "Official Ballot" not consistent in their knowledge or process they called the "main" office</p> <p>Those that registered TODAY (this is an outlying location not the county office) had their ballots processed with the active registered voters</p> <p>The Manchester election judges receive a call back from the "main office" and are told not to stamp the ballots this year, this is new, the ballots will be stamped in town.</p> <p>Absentee ballots brought without the envelope, allowed to vote it and it was put in with the other voted ballots.</p> <p>Voter who registered Nov 3 was told to go to Great Falls to vote</p> <p>The election judges comment to voters "you haven't voted in a while"</p> <p>Voters register and vote</p>
Casc 12	<p>Voter marked wrong box told by CLERK to place an X over the incorrect vote No new ballot was issued.</p>
Casc 13	<p>ID's used Driver License (54), Voter Cards (9), Military (3), Passport (1)</p>
Casc 15	<p>Noise level makes it very difficult to hear</p> <p>Both pages of one ballot missing documented by EJs</p>
Casc 17	<p>Unsecured open boxes filled with yellow and pink envelopes are observed in an unsecured area. The envelopes appeared to be open. These were not touched or examined by the observer.</p> <p>A woman was observed coming in a propped open door carrying trays of yellow envelopes, the woman was asked if the envelopes were ballots, she replied "yes" and "I need to go in here", indicating the rest room. The ballots were left on the floor of the restroom stall. When asked the woman stated she had picked up the ballots. The woman with the ballots went to the area behind where the clerk was seated. The door remained propped open.</p>
Casc 19	<p>Election Judges observed very committed to doing a good job and tried to bring concern and integrity to their positions.</p>

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Casc 19	<p>There was never an official announcement to end of voting, just told to box up the remaining ballots, but not to seal them, per Shantelle.</p> <p>The other side of the room was sealing their boxes, when someone mentioned the unsealed boxes Shantelle took off across the room. Supposedly at this time all the boxes were sealed.</p> <p>1630 Candy an election worker, slapped the poll book several times and very forcefully informed the election judges that NO ONE, no poll watchers, etc was to look at the voter registraton book.</p>
Casc 20	<p>Carol Bronson a poll watcher at 24A asked the election judge for a list from the voter registration book, which she was already going thru. VIP poll watcher informed her what Election Worker Candy had just told everyone at precinct 21A. Bronson explained she had permission from Shantelle, the election supervisor, to use the book and did I want Chantelle to explain that to me. PW states: Yes, I want Shantelle to explain it to me. Shantelle explained that as long as Bronson didn't "touch" the book she could look at it. Shantelle, further explained that Bronson is a different type of poll watcher and they were compromising.</p> <p>Observation of the inconsistencies within the election office official staff and their contradictions. The election officials and their staff are almost hostile if asked a question or for a clarification on a procedure.</p> <p>Possible fraudulent vote by two people claiming to be the same person</p>
Flat 01	<p>Democrat poll watcher, Metcalfe, a "Democrat Election Attorney" assisted the election judge Elizabeth Jones-Hall when voting picked up, she was making calls to the County Elections Office for the judge.</p> <p>Metcalfe is making frequent trips to her car.</p> <p>Election Judge appreciates the help from Metcalf and has Okd everything that has gone on. There is no record of Metcalf being sworn in as a judge nor completing the paperwork to be paid.</p>
Gall 01	<p>Precinct 38 was the MSU precinct the representation of students was dense throughout the day with the line winding around the room</p> <p>IDs were offered or requested</p> <p>Closing procedures were followed.</p> <p>140 provision ballots 20% were students registered to vote who didn't know they signed up for absentee ballots and they were not received.</p>
Glac 01	<p>Election judges were instructed to remove any orange sheets from inside the polls and they did all day</p> <p>Precinct 9 election workers are pre-stamping ballots with official stamp</p> <p>Voter in Precinct 9 claims election judge put her ballot in the box before she was done voting. Voter issued a new ballot assuring this poll watcher it would be removed before counting.</p> <p>Precinct 8 runs out of ballots 1648 More ballots will be arriving from Cur Bank</p> <p>Precinct 21C runs out of ballots</p> <p>Reports of East Glacier is out of ballots</p>

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Glac 01	Assured ballots are on their way from Cut Bank 1800 1845 informed ballots have arrived from Cut Bank, they are not ballots, but are photocopies with no stubs or numbers. The ensuing ballots are handnumbered. Precinct 8 and 21C approximately 65 ballots were cast in this manner
GLAC 02	Spoiled ballot issued new ballot Voters were sent to their correct precincts Just moved from out of state sent to County (Cut Bank) Voter from Kalispell sent to Kalispell Democrat observer was using cell phone and asked to take it outside; several times tried to tell the Ejs what to do, CEJ called the Clerk and the Clerk straightened him out.
Glac 04	Glacier County 23 absentee ballots "found" Nov 16
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Glac 05	Legality of photocopied Ballots "unknown" fingerprinting by SOS
Lake 01	Voter marked two candidates, offered a new ballot or a sticker, Voter opted for the sticker to save time and cast his vote
Lake 02	More than one person in voting booth at a time; CI states "as long as they are married and they both agree"
LC 01	Precinct 15 Fairgrounds No electioneering, all voters verified who they were, at the close of voting all ballots voted and unvoted were accounting for. Ballots were followed to the county office.
LC 02	Democrat poll watcher Precinct 1 receiving cell phone calls and loudly speaking announcing the eastern US election results. When CI told the election judge and Democrat poll watcher to cool it, the Election Judge did not understand the issue.
LC 03	PW is told by the EJ it is optional to announce the voters' names A lot of inactive voters voted and filled out address change cards A few absentee ballots were turned in at the polling location Those who came in to register today were directed to the County Elections office EJ told PW it is OK to stamp 10 ballots in advance Several people used voter registration cards, the ID rules were vague One voter tore up his ballot protesting all the junk mail and phone calls he was receiving. The ballot was processed as "spoiled".
LC 05	Instead of calling the election administrator for questions regarding a voter's status or registration the chief judge gave the voters provisional ballots --total of 4 Chief election judge requested the election to just sign off on his ballot numbers --he had "made them work". The EJ told the CI to explain how he balanced. The problem was finally found one of the provisional ballots was documented incorrectly.

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LC 05	<p>CJ decided he had done something wrong after the boxes were sealed, did not explain to the other election judges, and he removed the seal from the voting box. He corrected what he had done, and gave two seals to an election judge, who inadvertently put the seals in the wrong area. The box went to the county with 2 seals on the door end of the box and a looped tie on the insert end of the box. 2 Election judges and a poll watcher took the box to the county.</p>
LC 06	<p>Voter brought in absentee ballot filled it out and placed it in the ballot box</p> <p>Inactive voters filled out yellow registration card and were given ballots</p> <p>Kalispell (Glacier County) registered voter directed to County Elections Administrator in Lewis and Clark County</p> <p>Absentee ballots not received, given registration card and a ballot</p> <p>Inactive voter, a call made by an election judge, "You are now active"</p> <p>Judge stamping ballots discovered they are stamping the wrong part of the ballot</p> <p>Voter "Bonnie" listed as Ronnie on poll book, Driver License indicates PO Box, voter roll shows street address allowed to vote</p> <p>All close out and reconciliation procedures were followed at the end of the evening</p>
LC 07	<p>Ballots were followed to the county, once arriving at the county the seals were cut off without checking the seal documentation.</p> <p>Proper set up procedures and opening of the polls was followed.</p> <p>Unregistered voter asked to go to the County Elections office to register</p> <p>Electronic Voting Machine was not working, continued diagnostics until 0847</p> <p>Six people waiting in line, CJ would not allow voters to vote at the counter, the wait was a few minutes</p>
LC 08	<p>Voters stated they had shredded their absentee ballots --EA was notified and the voters were given provisional ballots</p> <p>Spoiled absentee ballot called EA voter was given another ballot but they kept the original spoiled ballot</p> <p>Absentee ballots dropped in the ballot box, no ID</p> <p>Postcards showing where a voter votes used as an ID, this could have been a voter registration card or a "postcard"</p> <p>EJ was on the phone verifying voter information or to assist voters to their proper precinct</p> <p>Only one double registration noticed, same person listed twice with a slight name change</p> <p>PW did take a newspaper to read, and EJ asked him to put it away</p>
LC 10	<p>Pre Stamping of the ballots before the polls open The starting number of the ballots was not verified; first ballot used was 326; part of the unvoted ballots were in a pile behind a pillar At closing time the unvoted ballots in precincts 10 and 7 were not counted</p>

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	When the CI was notified about the pre stamping of ballots, fewer were pre stamped but the pre stamping continued
	Upon closing the CI put the official ballot stamp in the wrong envelope. Neither the unvoted or voted ballots were counted for precinct 10 or 7 only the stubs were counted. Precinct 4 was trying to resolve a 200 difference between ballots and stubs when PW left
	Some inactive voters or voters with different addresses were not required to fill out a new registration change card before voting.
	Election Judge would not pronounce the names as she had worked the polls for 20 years and knew most of the voters
MISO 01	Machine rejected a ballot, voter stated she had mis-marked the ballot, she was given a sticker and not offered a replacement ballot.
MISO 03	Mis Marked, spoiled ballots not being replaced, issued stickers to place over the mis-mark. Both party poll watchers question the election judge, who insists this is how they have always done it.
MISO 05	Voter was issued a sticker to cover up a mistake. The first sticker she was issued fell off, she had to go to another person to get a sticker that would stick
MISO 06	Driver License or voter registration cards were almost always offered before being asked. Inactive voter re-registered and voted at this polling station.
	Ballot Intake machine rejected a ballot, as too many votes, the voter put a white sticky dot over the extra vote it was then accepted.
	An EJ started reading the newspaper, the CI asked her to put it away, she complied.
MISO 09	Stamping of ballots ahead about 10-15 ballots (Hellgate 1)
	Ballot was torn up and thrown in the trash
	Jason Edwards (EJ?) was constantly texting on his cell phone, when he noticed he was being watched he left his post every few minutes. PW mentioned this to the CI. He eventually stopped the texting.
	A U OF M voter was in the polling location carrying in a large black and green very offensive poster "Don't vote for f*****")
	CI let 2 men in a back door and talked to them for 10-15 minutes, then they continued to hang around, they were there when PW left an hour later
	GA ballots in blue envelopes brought in
MISO 10	The voting machine kicked out the ballot from the person ahead, who was long gone, when the problem was discovered.
Park 01	Sticker used on ballot, two choices were marked
	noon Setting up more voting booths
	Election official was using her laptop, told by EA not to use the laptop

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Sand 01	Process is cumbersome with many redundant steps
	Process is time consuming
	Process is not flawless
	The folded ballots cause problems for the counting machines
Sand 02	Election Judge listing; Early opening of ballots judges were not among the "certified" judges list; documentation of number of registrations and voters and numbers discrepancy
Sand 03	Introduced to election judges
	No Democrat poll watcher present in precinct 4
	Media Exit Poller was on site outside, at 1445 she was inside the polls and requested the number of voters CJ provided the information
	Voter informed election judge his son wanted to vote absentee on 11/8/12, two days after the election, EJ explained Thurs was to late and absentee ballot process
	Voter arrived at Precinct 4, stating she was sent from Trout Creek, she was registered in Precinct 4, but insisted she had been allowed to vote in the incorrect district since 2006
Sand 04	Two absentee ballots were brought without secrecy/mailling envelopes. EA was contacted both absentee ballots were voided and the voters were issued new ballots. Absentee ballots were placed in the spoiled envelope
	EIK's Club membership card accepted as ID-- unknown if it was a photo ID
	Voter needing assistance processed properly
	no electioneering all processes and procedures followed properly
Sand 05	Voting area and ballot boxes, ballots are set up and properly sealed. Automark is initiated
	Judges are administered the oath.
	Polls are announced OPEN
	Judge realized two pages of the ballots did not have matching numbers. The poll list was consulted and the electors present showed their stubs verifying matching ballot pages. The non matching ballots were caught sealed as spoiled ballots
	no electioneering All ballots were deposited into the voted ballot box with no human contact
	All voters signed the poll book
Sand 06	Voter not registered sent to County
	Absentee voter wanting to vote at the polls, called, absentee ballot voided
	2 more absentee voters stated they did not receive their ballots, county called, absentee ballots voided, voters voted at the polls
	Voter registered "weeks ago" was not on the register after call, voter had to re register

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Sand 06	Voter had address change and checked the box for address change but not on the register Ballot counts matched 483 ballots 47 absentee ballots
Sand 07 Sand 07A Absentee Ballot	Voter went to Sanders County courthouse 7-10 days before election day Nov 6 2012, to request a new absentee ballot, because of an error made on the ballot. A new ballot was requested as directed in the instructions. The election clerk informed the voter the election office was issuing "white sticky tabs" to place over the incorrectly marked spot. When questioned about the instruction discrepancy the voter is informed this is how the Sanders County election office was handling incorrectly marked ballots.
Sand 08 Opening	Proper opening procedures were followed, Poll Watchers were assigned a table, Oaths administered, Polls Opened Voter requested a new ballot due to errors and was given a sticker to cover the mistake and advised to keep voting on the original ballot. Election ensured the entire mistake was covered by looking at the ballot. Inquired what time I should return to follow the ballots to the county, was told around 1000pm
Sand 09	Voter made an error on the ballot, was taken behind a screen by CJ, courthouse was called. Voter not on the register called courthouse, told to go to courthouse with registration form. Disabled voter assisted with access to the automatic voting machines. Erroneous Omission, city incorrect, address correct completed in the poll book Voter living Plains for 2 years, registered in Dixon voted a provisional ballots Hot Springs voters wanted to vote in Plains, claimed they voted in Plains before. Called Courthouse advised voter needed to vote in Plains, "There would be hell to pay, if they couldn't vote in Plains." Most voters have ID ready All procedures followed for the voting process No electioneering observed.
Sand 10	Election judge reviewed IDs and asks voter to state their name, voter signs the Register, a second judge announces the name and looks up the name in the log book, the third just stamps the ballot on both pages then the voter is instructed on the two pages, how to darken the oval and provides the black pen. She explains how to return the ballot after voting. The 4th judge tears the stubs deposits them into the locked detached stubs box and slides the ballot into the ballot into the locked Voted Ballot Box Voter filled out ballot outside of the booth, had a small child with her Voter had expired license (accepted in MT) One voter at the wrong precinct, sent to the correct precinct Absentee Ballot voter with absentee ballot instructed to follow absentee ballot procedures Closing of poll Seals on Ballot Box and Stub Box were broken, counted page 1 and page 2 80 each Recounted by different judge 80 ballots for each page Stubs taken from ballot box, matching the ballots handed out Ballots and special envelopes put back in the box and sealed

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	CEJ and EJ drove to Court House PW follows the vehicles to the courthouse
	There were no stickers used in this precinct and there were no spoiled ballots
Yell 01	Driver License used as IDs 55 voters during the shift
	Laurel City Councilman when asked for ID "You don't absolutely have to, do you?"
Yell 02	Voter on cell phone, was told no cell phones
	Voter wanted assistance with voting on the initiatives the election judges explained the judges could not assist
	Disabled voter accommodated by the election judges
	Ballots verified and counted by 2 people
	Unused ballots were sealed
	All Ballots were reconciled and re checked.

# MONTANA RECAP

## Poll Watchers

Casc 03	Poll Watcher 20B 13:19 talking on cell phone in the voting area
Casc 04	Poll Watchers told not talk by the election judge when MT VIP arrived; current poll watcher protested that they had been allowed to talk all day
Casc 09	Could not hear voter names
Casc 17	Room is too noisy to hear Attorney Lawrence Anderson stood several feet from three poll watchers and stared down the poll watchers, from his body language and assertive behavior it appeared to be a form of intimidation Election Supervisor (ES) along with Attorneys Ben Graybill, Larry Anderson, Nancy Anderson and MT Democrat Vice Chair approached poll watcher in front of 20A polling location. ES asked if there was a question, PW asked what it was concerning, she states that the Clerk stated PW had a question. PW explained the ballots in the restroom, the election supervisor states, "For future reference, do not speak to my staff." PW responded, "if the elections officials want people to know who they are, they should probably wear name tags." All the election judges had name tags. Tom Jacobson candidate for HD 25 is passing out candy, cupcakes, cookies, candy, water, etc to voters standing in line. He distributed the same to the election judges and was observed by clerk Fontana-Moore and Election Supervisor Shantell McGraw. At times Jacobson was accompanied by Senator/Attorney Anders Blewett wearing his official legislative name tag.
Gall 01	Democrat poll watcher attorney was there to make sure no one was turned away for their sexual orientation or how they looked.
Glac 01	Other poll watchers precinct 9 object to VIP poll watcher being close enough to hear, Clerk clarifies poll watcher boundaries
Lake 02	Democrat poll watchers inform Clerk there are "rumors" Indian voters are being told if they bring their orange voter cards into the polling place they will go to jail. There is agreement they can bring them in but they must be removed. A Poll Watcher was sitting next to the EJ judge signing in voters, the PW would write down each voter then a variety of people would come in and out of the place (up to 3 people at a time) taking her lists A girl from the U of M was doing an exit poll before 5pm, inside the polls and easily heard by others.
Lake 03	A PW was writing down the names of each voter and another person came and got the lists
MSO 06	Two other poll watchers were present, Democrat Berney Jacobs, DPHHS Lead council attorney and Collin Phelps, Law Student, representing the Tester campaign, Deb Tirmerstein

# POLL WATCHERS

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MSO 06	<p>An unregistered male was directed by the CI to go to the fairgrounds to register, Berney Jacobs (Dem PW) approached the voter and gathered his personal date, name, address etc. Unregistered males states he moved from out of state, lives in Missoula but has a PO Box in Arlee. CI contacted the EA who verified this voter needed to go to the Fairgrounds. Berney Jacobs PW also spoke with the EA and confirmed this was correct.</p>
Berney Jacobs inquires personal information from another "unregistered" voter	
Another unregistered voter was directed to the fairgrounds, Berney Jacobs obtains his personal data.	

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## Registration Issues

Casc 01	Upset voter claiming she was registered
Casc 04	several complaints, voters registered with DMV but they are not recorded
Casc 06	Year after year they say they'll correct my misspelled name, they never do. (Follow up with PW)
Casc 07	Name changes, many address changes, How many elections are voters allowed to vote in the wrong precincts?
Casc 08	Lots of address changes
Casc 13	76 voters during the shift 43 address changes
Casc 14	5 address changes in 45 minutes for inactive people
	Complete change of address form, then obtain ballot
	High Registration last year 3 voters were not in the poll books
	Voter registered in another county, had to stand in line
	Observation large number of inactive and address changes even though still on the voter rolls
Casc 15	Lots of change of address people and inactive voters
	Ben Graybill Dem attorney states people that registered after Oct 9th did not get processed because the Elections Office was not staffed properly. He states as a direct result the lines are very long, people are frustrated as they registered weeks ago and had to stand in line to do it all over again. Why are the Democrat attorneys aware of this issue but the general public has not been informed?
Casc 17	This is was brought up to Lewis and Clark County Clerk --was this a problem in Lewis and Clark County and the reason for the lines? --Clerk states the "late registrations" (After Oct 10- Nov5) are given ballots right then to either vote "early" or take the ballot home and return it, so she could not explain the comment from Graybill. Evidently Cascade has different procedures.
Lake 03	A young man told the PW his whole high school class had registered last year, but their names aren't showing as registered voters.
MSO 10	Observer did not see anyone asked for an ID to vote. (at Fairgrounds)
	Observer called the County Election office regarding the non verification of IDs, they insisted they required IDs of everyone and all ballots would only be provisional until verified by the state.
Sand 09	Two voters Human Services had registered them, not in the poll book sent to courthouse to register
	Two voters not registered, they registered when they obtained driver licenses. Voters sent to the courthouse to register
Yell 01	One voter brought a "receipt" since DL address was not correct
Yell 02	Voter stomped out swearing, he was not on the register, had voted in the primaries
LC 09	233 voters presented driver licenses, 27 presented a "slip" with precinct numbers, 1 used vehicle registration and 2 people used a check book

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# SAME DAY REGISTRATIONS

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### Same Day Registration

Casc 01	Metro : From 945am on there is a line thru the building
Casc 07	Voters are voting in the precincts who just registered Were same day registrations sent to the precincts?
Casc 09	Same day registrations handled at the precincts? Who is verifying these? Showing up at the precincts with a piece of paper
MSO 06	Unregistered voter states he went to the fairgrounds waited in two different lines for 45 min to 1 1/2 hrs per line, we just waited for nothing.
Sand 02	Sanders County gained 317 late registrations in a 34 day period Database extract info on docs
Yell 01	24 Voter Registration Cards (Same Day Registration)
Yell 02	3 Same Day Registrations came in to register and vote, all were upset when they were sent to the Metro. The media was announcing same day registration was available in the precinct locations
	Voter brought absentee ballot without the envelope she signed the voter registry, the ballot was put in the ballot box, all was documented
	A voter came into the precinct and reported someone was going around the neighborhood offering photocopied absentee ballots for anyone who wanted them. (Absentee ballots are prohibited by state law from having any ballot numbers or any official accounting)