



Board of Elections in the City of New York

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# **BASIC POLL WORKER MANUAL**

2019/2020 CERTIFICATION PERIOD

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## **IN CASE OF EMERGENCY:**

In case of an emergency evacuation, follow the instructions of the Police Officer and Coordinator and go to the emergency meeting place posted at Poll Site entrances.

## Note From The Board of Elections

Dear Poll Workers,

Protecting the right to vote and offering voting opportunities in your community would not be possible without the thousands of concerned registered voters who serve as poll workers on Election Day. We want to thank you for your interest and participation in the electoral system of New York City.

We know that working a day at the polling place is not easy. It requires long hours, training, and a dedication to customer service. The Board of Elections is constantly looking for ways to make your job a little easier. For that reason the training has undergone significant change over the last four years. The purpose of this change was to improve the way information was presented, to offer more visual interest and hands on segments, and to make the training more dynamic and engaging. We have shortened the classes, added visual interest with PowerPoint and videos, and more time for hands on exercises. We have added more online training information and are in the process of developing an online training program that is interactive and can be used at any time to answer questions and serve as a refresher.

We heard your suggestions for improvement to the manual and have added a full table of contents, updated the glossary for consistent language, and included an index. We hope that these changes will better help you understand how to perform your duties on Election Day, and make the job of being a poll worker a little easier. We have also expanded the use of color-coding to improve closing procedures.

Throughout this manual and in training classes, we will be focusing on customer service – how we can best serve the voter. You are the frontline of the voting process on Election Day, representing the entire Board of Elections for New York City. It is up to you to treat voters with courtesy and respect and to conduct yourself in a professional manner that ensures fair and impartial elections. We also want to emphasize the importance of accessibility – making sure that all voters have the ability to cast a ballot, regardless of any limitations. We have confidence that you will do your best to make this happen.

Beginning on October 26, 2019, New York City will have 9 days of Early Voting in each borough. Hours will vary by date and we will need to staff these sites each day. You will be notified of hours and availability in the near future.

We hope that Election Day will be a positive and rewarding experience and once again, want to say  
**THANK YOU!**

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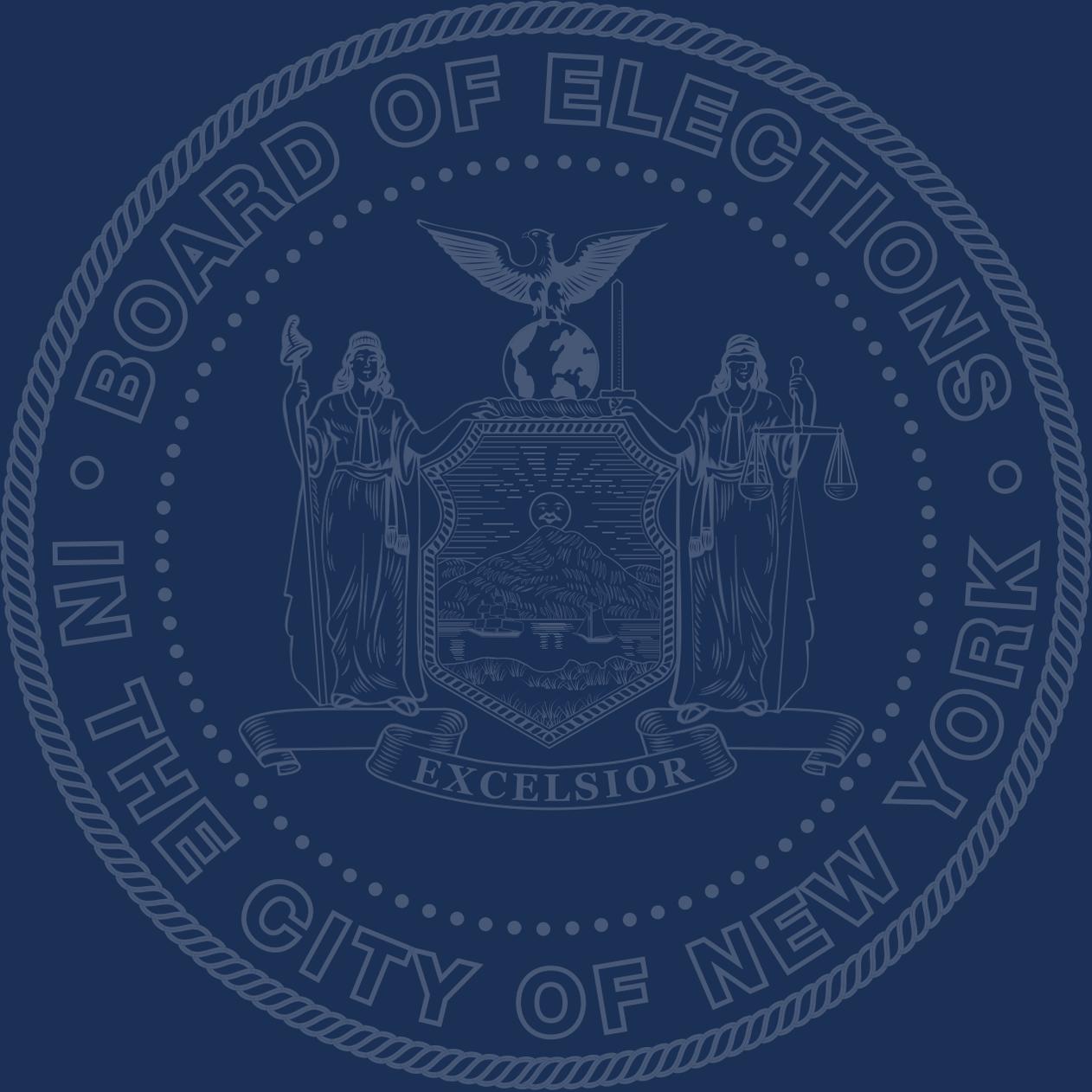
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# PREPARING FOR ELECTION DAY



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# Schedule of Elections for 2019/2020 Certification

OCTOBER 26 – NOVEMBER 3, 2019	Early Voting for General Election
NOVEMBER 5, 2019	General Election
APRIL 18 – APRIL 26, 2020	Early Voting for Presidential Primary Election
APRIL 28, 2020	Presidential Primary Election
JUNE 13 – JUNE 21, 2020	Early Voting for Primary Election
JUNE 23, 2020	Primary Election

Please note you may not be called to work every election.

## TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES:

Working at the Polls requires attention to detail. However, with time between elections, it is possible to forget exactly what you are to do, or your duties may be changed. There are several options for improving your understanding of the process immediately after training and/or before a specific election:

### Manual

Become comfortable with using this manual. There is a detailed table of contents, an index, and a glossary to define election terms.

The manual is your best tool before and on Election Day. Take it with you on Election Day.

### Online

**[nyc.electiondayworker.com](http://nyc.electiondayworker.com) – you will need to log on and register**

**[www.vote.nyc](http://www.vote.nyc) to view:**

- Basic Poll Worker Manual
- Accessibility videos also available on YouTube
- Scanner Opening and Closing Videos

## IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS:

There are people ready to help. Before Election Day, call your Borough Office directly. On Election Day, advise your Coordinator of any problems and the Coordinator will call the Borough Office if necessary. All phone numbers are on back of manual.

# Customer Service

## POLL WORKER MISSION

- Take care of every voter according to procedure.
- Treat every voter and visitor with dignity, respect and courtesy to ensure that all voters and visitors have a positive experience at the polls.
- Follow procedures in this manual to be sure no voter is denied the right to vote.
- Remain calm and neutral in all circumstances.

All voters deserve to be treated equally, regardless of race, color, ethnicity, gender, and physical or language ability.

Voters may have different physical and/or language abilities that may require your assistance.

Throughout this manual there is additional information on how to provide this service in specific situations.

## BASIC GUIDELINES

Greet every voter with a smile and eye contact. A friendly greeting will help the voter feel welcome and comfortable.

- Listen carefully and be patient.
- Make reasonable accommodations to assist voters.
- Poll Workers should not discuss: Candidates or issues on the ballot; topics related to the ethnicity, culture, religion and gender of a Poll Worker, voter, or any other person at the Poll Site.

- Please note that you may discuss the specific needs of a voter who needs additional support or assistance.
- Poll Workers can discuss how to accommodate voters.
- Keep the Poll Site peaceful and quiet – loud talking and other noises make it difficult for voters to concentrate.

## LANGUAGE ASSISTANCE GUIDELINES

When a large number of voters require assistance in a specific language, an interpreter will be assigned to that Poll Site to assist the voter with any part of the process. Interpreters perform their duties alone.

Assistance is currently provided in Spanish, Chinese (Mandarin and Cantonese), Korean, Hindi, Bengali and Punjabi depending on the needs of a Poll Site.

Every BMD (Ballot Marking Device) automatically offers the ballot in English and Spanish. Additionally, if the Poll Site is designated for Chinese, Korean, or Bengali, the voter can press the language button on the BMD welcome screen to change the language.

Poll Workers who speak one of the above languages will have that information printed on their badge. If an Interpreter is not available, two Poll Workers speaking the language and representing different parties may assist the voter upon request.

**REMEMBER THAT EVERYONE YOU WORK WITH IS ALSO A CUSTOMER. SHOW EVERYONE YOU WORK WITH THE SAME COURTESY AND RESPECT THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE YOURSELF.**

# Disability Awareness

Never assume that a voter requires assistance.

If you think a voter needs assistance, ask how you can be helpful. Listen to and respect the voter's answers.

## General Guidelines

If a voter asks for your assistance, listen to or ask for instructions as to how best to assist.

Relax. Don't be afraid to ask questions when you are unsure of what to do.

If a voter is assisted by an aide, make eye contact and speak directly to the voter, not the aide or anyone else.

Be patient. Take as much time as is necessary.

## Voters who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing

If you do not understand something, do not pretend that you did.

Make eye contact and speak directly to the voter (not his/her companion), speak clearly and use short, simple sentences. Don't shout. Ask the voter to repeat and then repeat it back to make sure you understand correctly.

Rephrase; don't repeat your statements. Sometimes different words are heard and understood better than others.

Have a pad of paper and pen handy for written communication.

Keep your hands and other objects away from your mouth and do not chew gum.

## Voters with Speech Disabilities

If you do not understand something, do not pretend that you did. Ask the voter to repeat and then repeat it back to be sure you understand correctly. Ask questions that require a short answer or nod of the head.

Do your best to understand the voter but if you continue to have difficulty, ask if the voter can suggest another option for communicating. The voter may offer to write the question but do not assume this is what the voter should do. Do not become impatient or finish sentences for the voter.

## Voters with Limited Mobility

Try to place yourself at eye level. Do not hover over the voter. Do not lean on a wheelchair or other assistive device – these objects are considered personal space.

Do not assume a voter in a wheelchair wants to be pushed. Poll Workers may push wheelchair if requested by the voter.

Keep the Poll Site free of clutter or barriers in the path of voters.

## Voters with Visual Impairments

Identify yourself to the voter (e.g. your name, role, and how you can assist the voter). Verbalize what you are doing: e.g. "I am locating your name on the Voter List."

Let the voter locate you by the sound of your voice; do not touch the voter unless asked.

Offer all instructions and assistance verbally. Tell the voter of any obstacles in his or her path. For example, "The voting booths are located ten feet to your right."

Notify the voter when you are leaving him/her alone.

## Disability Awareness (continued)

### Voters who are Deaf-Blind

You may touch the voter through their safe zones e.g.: shoulders and elbows.

Do not grab their hands.

Do not shout.

Anticipate the excessive touching, it's how they communicate with you (tactile).

Allow sighted support provider to assist Deaf-Blind.

Do not move around too quickly, allow them to follow you (tracking).

Gesturing in small spaces may be a good way to communicate.

### Voters with Cognitive Disabilities

Voters with Cognitive Disabilities may have mental processes of perception, memory, judgment or reasoning.

Be patient, flexible, and supportive. Take time to understand the voter and make sure the voter understands you.

Do not try to finish the voter's sentences.

Try to limit distractions and keep things simple – take one task at a time.

Offer assistance completing forms or understanding written instructions and provide extra time for decision-making.

### Service Animals

Many people use service animals for reasons that may not be visible or apparent. Dogs are permitted to serve as service animals in New York State.

Service animals are NOT required to “wear” identification such as a vest or bandana. If a voter says an animal is a service animal, it is permitted into the polling place. Do not touch or interact with any service animal.

# Election Day Information and Rules



## Poll Hours

Poll Workers must arrive at the Poll Site by 5:00 a.m. Polls must open at 6:00 a.m. and close at 9:00 p.m. Every voter in line at 9:00 p.m. must be allowed to vote.



## Legal

You must administer the election impartially and in accordance with the law. (See inside back cover for more details.)



## Number of Poll Workers

Bipartisan teams work at Scanners, BMDs, and ED Tables. If there are shortages, the Coordinator should call the Borough Office.



## Pay

You must complete the Time Sheet with information contained on your Notice to Work Card. You will be paid for your training class and for working on Election Day. You can expect to be paid in 6–8 weeks. Please do not call before that time. Also be sure to check in using the tablet to speed up the payroll process.



## Meals and Breaks

You are allowed 2 hours total for breaks and meals. The Coordinator will schedule times. Do not exceed your time as it will affect other workers or voters. Do not leave your station without notifying the Coordinator.

You may not have time to leave the Poll Site and purchase food, so pack snacks and meals that do not require refrigeration.

Do not place food or drinks on work tables or carts. Do not eat while serving voters.



## No Smoking or E-Cigarettes

No smoking is allowed at the Poll Site or within 100 feet of a school.



## Cell Phones

Cell phone use inside the Poll Site is only for official business. If you have a cell phone, it must be silenced. If you need to make a call or text, you must do so on your break and outside of the room where voting takes place. NO HEADPHONES.



## Politics

Poll Workers and voters are not allowed to have political conversations while at or near the Poll Site. Personal reading material is fine as long as it is not political in nature.



## Dress Code

As representatives of the Board of Elections, Poll Workers should dress in a clean and professional manner. Attention to personal hygiene and grooming is also expected. Clothing should be tasteful and in good condition. T-shirts, shorts, buttons or hats with improper or political slogans, graphics, photos, midriff baring tops and ripped, torn or oversized pants are examples of inappropriate dress. **Note: For your own safety, and to prevent injury around equipment, wear closed-toed shoes. No flip-flops.**



## Children and Pets

Poll Workers are not allowed to bring children to the Poll Site. However, voters may bring children.

Only service animals are allowed at the Poll Site.



## Poll Worker Voting

If you are not working at your home Poll Site, as a Poll Worker you can request a ballot using a Special Ballot Application prior to the election. (See Appendix).

# Election Day Team

Many team members work at a Poll Site on Election Day – rely on each other for success!

## Coordinator

- Poll Site Supervisor and must be respected as such.
- Places any necessary calls to the Borough Office.
- Reassigns Poll Workers as needed to ensure procedures are followed.
- Oversees set up of Poll Site and distribution of supplies to all other Poll Workers.
- Is responsible for safety in the Poll Site.
- Takes attendance, signs and validates accuracy of Time Sheets.
- Confirms Scanners are opened, closed and Results Tapes are printed after close of polls.
- Confirms ED Tables have completed the Return of Canvass accounting for all ballots.
- Maintains ADA Complaint Log and ADA Checklist.
- Oversees all final closing procedures.

## Police Officer (or designee)

- Delivers Police Poll Site Envelope to Coordinator (contains all keys).
- On duty at Poll Site until polls close and closes door at 9:00 p.m.
- Returns scanner PMDs to counting center (Round #1).
- Returns paper ballots and large return bag (Round #2).

## ED Table Chairperson

Rep at even # ED  
and  
Dem at odd # ED

- Selected by Inspectors at the table or assigned by Coordinator.
- Organizes layout, manages work activity.
- Completes the ED Forms Booklet and confirms accuracy of other documents.
- Performs same duties as other Inspectors for the table.

## ED Table Inspectors

2 per table:  
  
One Rep/  
One Dem

- At opening, set up the table and supplies and record ballots received.
- Obtain voter signatures on the E-Poll Book, making sure voters are in the correct ED/AD.
- Give voter the proper ballot and privacy sleeve.
- Assist voters in special situations such as using an Affidavit Ballot, Court Order, or when challenged.
- At closing, account for ballots, pack materials, and secure critical items.

## Election Day Team (continued)

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### Scanner Inspectors

2 per scanner:

One Rep/  
One Dem

- Make sure Scanners are in the location shown on Floor Plan.
- Set up/open Scanners; print Zero/Configuration tapes.
- Place Scanner “Wait Here” sign.
- Stand 5 feet from the Scanner, ready to assist voters if necessary but not looking at the ballot.
- Troubleshoot Scanner as necessary.
- Perform closing duties including printing tapes and sealing equipment.

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### BMD/Privacy Booth Inspectors

One Rep/  
One Dem

- Make sure Privacy Booths and the BMD are placed according to the Floor Plan.
- Check booth lights, make sure magnifying sheet and pen are in each booth and lock the feet of each booth. Check booths during the day to remove any electioneering material and to see if a replacement pen is needed.
- Set up the BMD.
- Ready to assist voters in using the BMD or its accessories.
- Close the BMD and stack the booths.

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### Information Clerk

- Posts inside signage.
- Greets & welcomes voters as they enter the Poll Site.
- Directs voters to correct ED/AD Table or to correct Poll Site as necessary.
- Hands out Poll Worker Applications to encourage voters to work at the Poll Site.
- Assists in closing activities as needed.

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### Accessibility Clerk

**Note: Accessibility Clerk cannot be reassigned.**

- Posts signage outside before polls open.
  - Installs doorbell at alternate accessible door (if needed).
  - Makes sure ramps, cones and mats are in place.
  - Monitors alternate accessible entrance to open door as needed.
  - Conducts periodic inspections of path of travel if requested by Coordinator.
  - Assists, but does not provide physical help to voters with disabilities.
  - Removes and packages all outside signage and doorbell when the Poll Site closes.
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## Election Day Team (continued)

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### Interpreter(s)

**Note: Interpreters cannot be reassigned to another position.**

- Assist non-English speaking voters by translating information and the ballot in a designated language and translating between Poll Worker and voter.
  - Maintains the Interpreter Journal.
  - Gives completed Journal pages (in Return Envelope) to Coordinator.
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### AD Monitors

- Bipartisan teams of two sent out from each Borough Office to provide assistance and troubleshooting to a group of Poll Sites within an Assembly District.
  - There may also be monitors sent from the General Office.
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### Standbys

- Poll Workers who have been trained but not pre-assigned to a Poll Site.
  - Can be sent to Poll Sites to fill vacancies and perform various duties.
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### Relief Workers

- Poll Workers who have been trained and assigned to a Poll Site to provide relief to other workers during breaks.
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# Poll Watchers, Observers and Media

To ensure fair and honest elections, New York State Election Law provides for appointing Poll Watchers to observe voting at the polls. Poll Watchers are designated by candidates, political parties, or independent organizations, which have candidates on the ballot and/or political committees.

**ALL** Poll Watchers and observers inside the room where voting takes place **MUST** sign the Visitor Log and show proper certificates, authorization letters or identification.

## Role of a Poll Watcher:

Observe elections at the Poll Site. Report any observed irregularities to the Poll Site Coordinator or Inspector, Police Officer, and/or the Borough Office.

## Poll Watcher qualifications:

Each Poll Watcher must be certified in writing by one of the following: a candidate, a chairperson of a political committee, or a chairperson of an independent body. Each Poll Watcher **must show a certificate** for **each** Election District to the Poll Site Coordinator or Chairperson.

At any time, there are to be no more than three Poll Watchers per ED per candidate, political committee or independent body. Only one of the three is allowed within close proximity to the ED Table.

**POLL WATCHER'S CERTIFICATE**

To The Board of Elections in the City of New York:

Pursuant to provisions of Section 8-500 of the Election Law of the State of New York, the undersigned hereby appoints:

\_\_\_\_\_

Name of Individual (Print)

To act as Watcher on their behalf, at the \_\_\_\_\_ Election to be held on \_\_\_\_\_  
(date)  
 in the \_\_\_\_ Election District. \_\_\_\_\_ Assembly District, Borough or County of \_\_\_\_\_, City of New York.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature of Candidate, Chairperson of Political Committee or Independent Body

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Name of Candidate, (Print) Political Committee or Independent Body

## How to interact with Poll Watchers:

- Welcome them. Introduce yourself with your name and position. The Coordinator should ask to see the Poll Watcher's Certificate and ask them to sign the Visitor Log.
- If Poll Watchers have questions about what they can or cannot do, the Coordinator should show them the Poll Watcher rules on the poster at the entrance.
- Be familiar with what Poll Watchers CAN and CANNOT do.

## Poll Watchers, Observers and Media (continued)

### Poll Watchers CAN:

- Arrive at 5:00 a.m. before the unlocking and examination of any voting machine to verify no votes have been cast and that the ballot boxes and Ballot Bin Liner case are empty.
- Compare ballot to Sample Ballot Poster.
- Examine the E-Poll Book as long as they do not interfere with the Inspectors or election proceedings.

If a poll watcher presents a Poll Watcher certificate for your ED and wants to view who voted, and there are no voters in line:

- Press the MENU button on the top left of the E-Poll Book to get to the HOME screen
  - Press Summary Report on the HOME screen
  - Press CHECK-INS at the top of the screen
  - The poll watcher may then scroll through the names of voters who have checked in at the ED
  - If a voter arrives, the poll watcher must stop scrolling and allow the voter to vote
  - Press HOME and GET STARTED to go back to checking in voters
- Observe the closing of the polls and the Return of Canvass.
  - Challenge individual voters on the basis of signature authenticity, residence, multiple voting, or qualification to vote. See “Voter is Challenged” in the Special Situations charts for ED Inspector Serving the Voters.
  - Report possible violations to the Coordinator, Inspector, Police Officer, or Borough Office.

### Poll Watchers CANNOT:

- Interfere with the election process.
- Electioneer in any manner within 100 feet of any Poll Site entrance. This includes soliciting votes or distributing, wearing or carrying political literature, posters, banners or buttons, or showing a candidate or party’s name.
- Tamper with election materials including any posted official signs and/or results tape.
- Protest a vote ruling.
- Accompany a voter to the Privacy Booth, BMD, or Scanner.

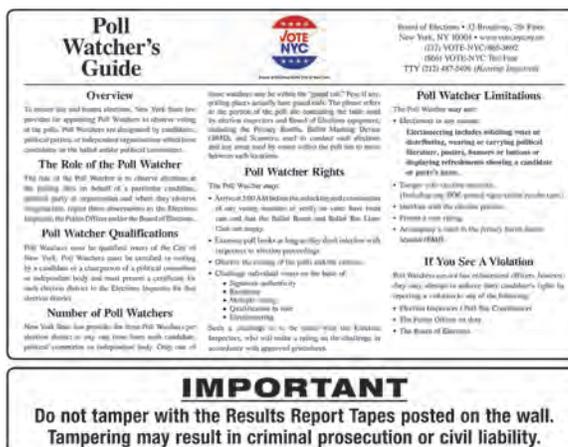
#### Examples of “Interfering with the election process”:

- Talking to Poll Workers while voters are present
- Talking to voters who are voting
- Carrying on any conversation that may create a distraction or disturbance
- Electioneering

# Poll Watchers, Observers and Media (continued)

## If a Poll Watcher Breaks a Rule:

- Show them the rules posted at the entrance of the Poll Site and remind them of the specific rule they are violating.
- If the Poll Watcher refuses to comply with the rules, the Coordinator should call the Borough Office.
- If necessary the Police Officer can be asked for assistance.



## Observers

There may be observers visiting your Poll Site on Election Day. You may have several observers or you may have none. All are required to have proper authorization. Some examples of observers who may be present include:

- **Federal Observers** are interested in making sure the Voting Rights Act is being followed, meaning no voter is faced with discrimination on the basis of race, color or language. They are also observing whether language assistance is being provided as required. They **do not require** written authorization, but **must show proper identification**.
- **HAVA Observers** and other groups are making sure the Poll Site is accessible and that voters with disabilities are able to vote. They **must present a letter** from the Board of Elections or identification.
- **Board of Elections Observers** are looking to see that policies and procedures are being followed, and to identify areas in need of improvement. They **must show a Board of Elections ID or identification**.

## Media/Press

Media/Press are allowed to be inside the Poll Site if they have **written authorization** from the Board of Elections. They are allowed to film or take pictures of individuals with the individual's permission. You may choose not to be photographed. They are also allowed to take pictures of equipment and booths as long as voters are not present.

## Exit Polls

Exit polls attempt to find out how voters have voted and are allowed outside the Poll Site beyond 100 feet of any Poll Site entrance. They cannot ask voters how they will vote before they enter the Poll Site.

# Pre-Election Checklist

## Use this checklist to ensure you are well prepared for Election Day

1. Receive your Notice to Work in the mail – check all information carefully. This will also serve as your badge on Election Day. It provides the date of the election, your Poll Worker Number, location of your assigned Poll Site, and job position to which you are assigned. **Note: Coordinators can move certain workers to another position if necessary.**

If you have not received your Notice to Work by 7 days prior to the election, call the Borough Office or check online at [nyc.electiondayworker.com](http://nyc.electiondayworker.com).

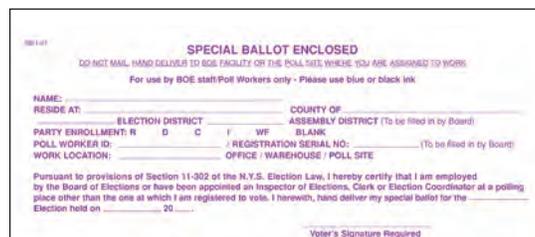
If you are not working at the Poll Site where you are assigned to vote, you can request and vote using a Special Ballot. You should have received an application and returned it at training. If not, contact the Borough Office.

Your ballot will be mailed to you before the election. If you do not receive your special ballot, you can visit your borough office to receive one. **Do not return your voted ballot by mail.** Bring it to the Poll Site where you are working on Election Day and give it to the inspector at any ED Table. Be sure the inspector signs the back of the envelope.

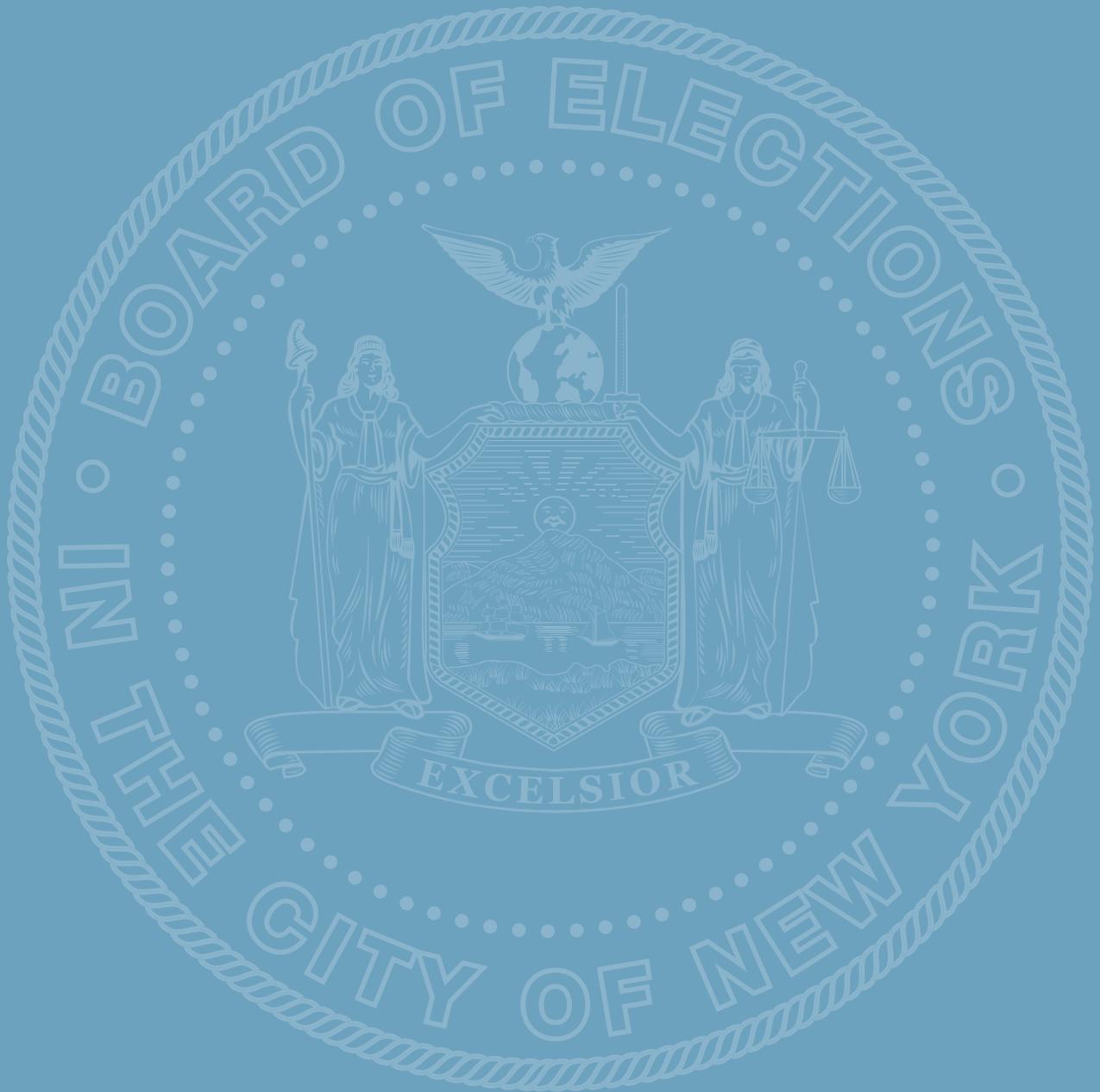
2. Review your manual and any guides received at training or go online to refresh your mind as to how to perform your assigned duties. Review the Election Day Information and Rules in this manual and your legal duties/responsibilities on the inside back cover.
3. Make arrangements to arrive at the Poll Site NO LATER THAN 5:00 A.M. If arranging transportation pickup at end of night, schedule it for after 9:30 p.m.

4. Plan to dress comfortably, but professionally. It is best to bring a warm layer (like a jacket) you can wear during cooler times of day.
5. You will be at the Poll Site for more than 16 hours and may not have time to travel outside the Poll Site for meals. Pack snacks and food that do not require refrigeration or re-heating.

6. **Bring your manual, Notice to Work, and Special Ballot with you to the Poll Site on Election Day. If you fail to bring the Notice to Work, you may not be allowed to work. You must report to the Poll Site where you are assigned or this will result in not being paid.**



# OPENING THE POLL SITE



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# Overview of Opening the Poll Site



1. Everyone arrives at the Poll Site NO LATER THAN 5:00 a.m. The custodian or contact person provides access to the Poll Site.
2. The Police Officer delivers keys and other items to the Coordinator for Scanners, ED Supply Carts, and BMD. The Coordinator signs the Police Officer Receipt in the Police Poll Site Envelope, returns it to the Police Officer and distributes the keys to the Inspectors.
3. The Coordinator takes attendance on Site Coverage Report, assigns workers to their positions, and oversees all procedures. **Note: If there is no Accessibility Clerk or Information Clerk, the Coordinator will assign duties to another Poll Worker.**
4. Workers receive supplies from the Coordinator, who gets them from the lowest numbered ED of the lowest numbered AD Supply Cart. Once they are received, they proceed to set up the room according to the Floor Plan on top of each ED Supply Cart.
5. Scanner Inspectors open Scanners, produce Configuration/Zero Report Tapes and set up the "Wait Here" sign.
6. BMD/Privacy Booth Inspectors open the BMD and place and inspect all Privacy Booths.
7. Information Clerks set up their table near the main entrance and post all inside signage.
8. Interpreters set up the table and prepare Interpreter Journal pages.
9. Accessibility Clerk posts all outside signage, making sure path of travel is clear and ramps are installed if required, and installs the door bells, cones and mats if required.
10. ED Inspectors set up the ED Table and Supply Cart with materials needed to issue ballots and set up ED/AD Sign.
11. Just before opening of the Poll Site all Poll Workers must sign the Time Sheets **in the Forms Book**. All Poll Workers must attach their badge, and Poll Site must be ready to open at 6:00 a.m. **YOU MUST SIGN THE FORMS BOOKLET IN ORDER TO BE PAID.**

### TIME SHEET

**POLL WORKER CERTIFICATION OATH**  
I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOLLOWING SERVICES WERE RENDERED:

ED:  AD:  Borough: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Election: \_\_\_\_\_

Chairperson's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Coordinator's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**OATH OF OFFICE FOR POLLWORKERS**

I, the undersigned, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the State of New York, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Poll Worker for the City of New York, according to the laws of the State of New York, and that I do not hold any public office, am not a candidate for any office to be voted for by the voters of this Election District, or the spouse, partner or child of such a candidate. I am I have not been convicted of or otherwise disqualified and am able to speak and read the English language and write if needed. I further swear (or affirm) I will not, in any manner requested to, seek to persuade any voter to vote any particular ticket or for any particular candidate, and that I will not employ or make an appointment for any of my family members within the booth, and that I will not, directly or indirectly, reveal to any person the nature of any candidate voted for by any voter or voters within the booth, or anything concerning voters the voting booth, except I may be called upon to testify as a witness in a judicial proceeding for a violation of the election law. I further swear (or affirm) that I will treat all voters equally and with respect, honor the candidate and other ballot choices of all voters who receive assistance to mark their ballots and avoid making any statement or allowing any person to make any communication within or near the polls to influence any voter's ballot choice, allow voters requested assistance to choose a person to assist them, consistent with Section 2106 of the Voting Rights Act, and other applicable federal or state laws which are essential to such federal or state law.

**POLL WORKER TIME SHEETS**

CHAIRPERSON ED Table	PARTY:	DOB:	TIME OF ARRIVAL	TIME OF DEPARTURE	OFFICE USE
Name: _____			AM PM	AM PM	
Address: _____		Zip: _____	APT#: _____		Transferred to: _____
Telephone Home: ( ) _____		Work: ( ) _____			
Cell: ( ) _____		Poll Worker #: _____		Position	
E-Mail Address: _____					ED    AD

# Overview of Scanner and Ballot Marking Device

## Ballot Scanner

The Scanner is a portable electronic voting system that uses an optical Scanner to read marked paper ballots and tally the results.

This system allows for paper ballots to be immediately tabulated at the Poll Site.

## Ballot Marking Device (BMD)

The electronic voting system also includes a Ballot Marking Device (BMD), which is an electronic device that assists voters in marking a paper ballot on Election Day. All voters, including voters with disabilities, can use the BMD to mark a ballot privately and independently at their Poll Site.

It allows the voters to:

- view the ballot in larger print by adjusting the print size on an adjustable touch screen.
- listen to the choices for candidates and propositions through audio headphones.
- mark the ballot using the touch screen, Braille-embossed keypad, Sip & Puff device or Rocker Paddle.
- view the ballot in English and Spanish. If the Poll Site is designated for additional languages, those will also be available on the BMD.

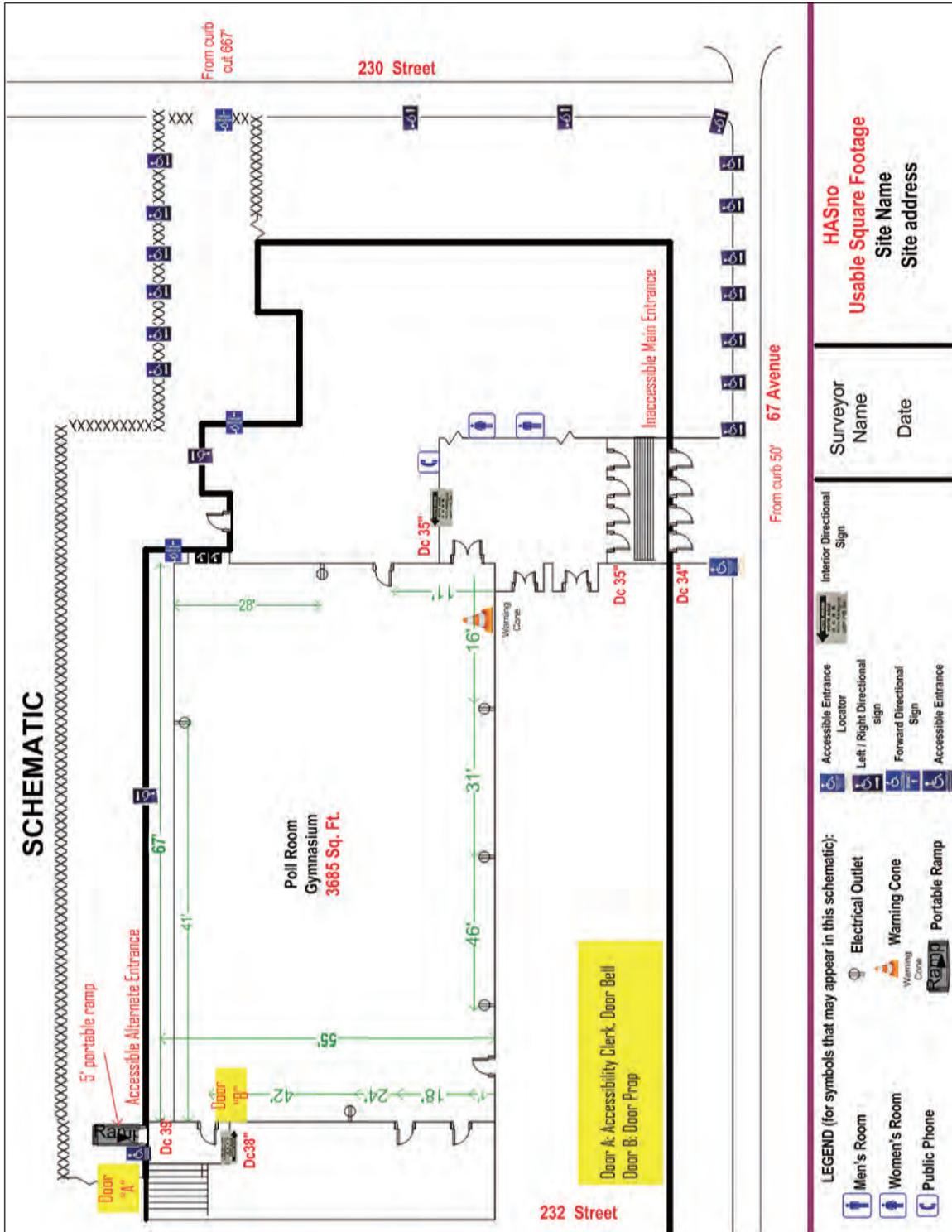


**Note:** BMD does not count ballots or print reports.



# Example of Poll Site Schematic: Outside

The schematic (diagram) for your Poll Site will be in the Coordinator Packet. The schematic shows the building, path of travel, alternate accessible entrance, and room in which voting will take place. It is used by the Coordinator to make sure the site meets ADA requirements and the Accessibility Clerk to locate entrances and post outside signage and set up doorbell.



## Poll Site Interior Set Up

Following is an example of a Floor Plan showing placement of equipment and furniture. The Floor Plan for your specific Poll Site is on top of each ED Supply Cart. The Floor Plan has been designed to meet legal requirements as well as for maximum efficiency. It is important to set up the Poll Site according to your actual Floor Plan to ensure accessibility for all voters and avoid legal challenges. If there are any problems with this Floor Plan, inform the Coordinator.

There is a tape measure in the Coordinator's Supply Envelope for measuring.

### Privacy Booth Placement

- Privacy booths must be placed according to the diagram found on the top of each supply cart.

### ADA Booth Placement

- ADA Privacy Booth (lower writing surface) is placed nearest to the BMD with the voter's back to the wall.
- This booth must have 5 feet of clearance on two sides to allow a voter in a wheelchair easy access BMD Placement

### Ballot Marking Device (BMD) Placement

- The BMD is placed 5 feet from the wall, with the doors open, with the Voter's back to the wall (use tape measure).
- The BMD must be near to and plugged into a working outlet.
- The power cord should run on one side of the machine with the mat covering the cord and taped down if necessary.
- The other side should have 5 feet of clearance for the voter to access the machine.

### Information Table/Interpreter Table Placement

- Tables should be near the entrance to the room with information table visible as a first stop.

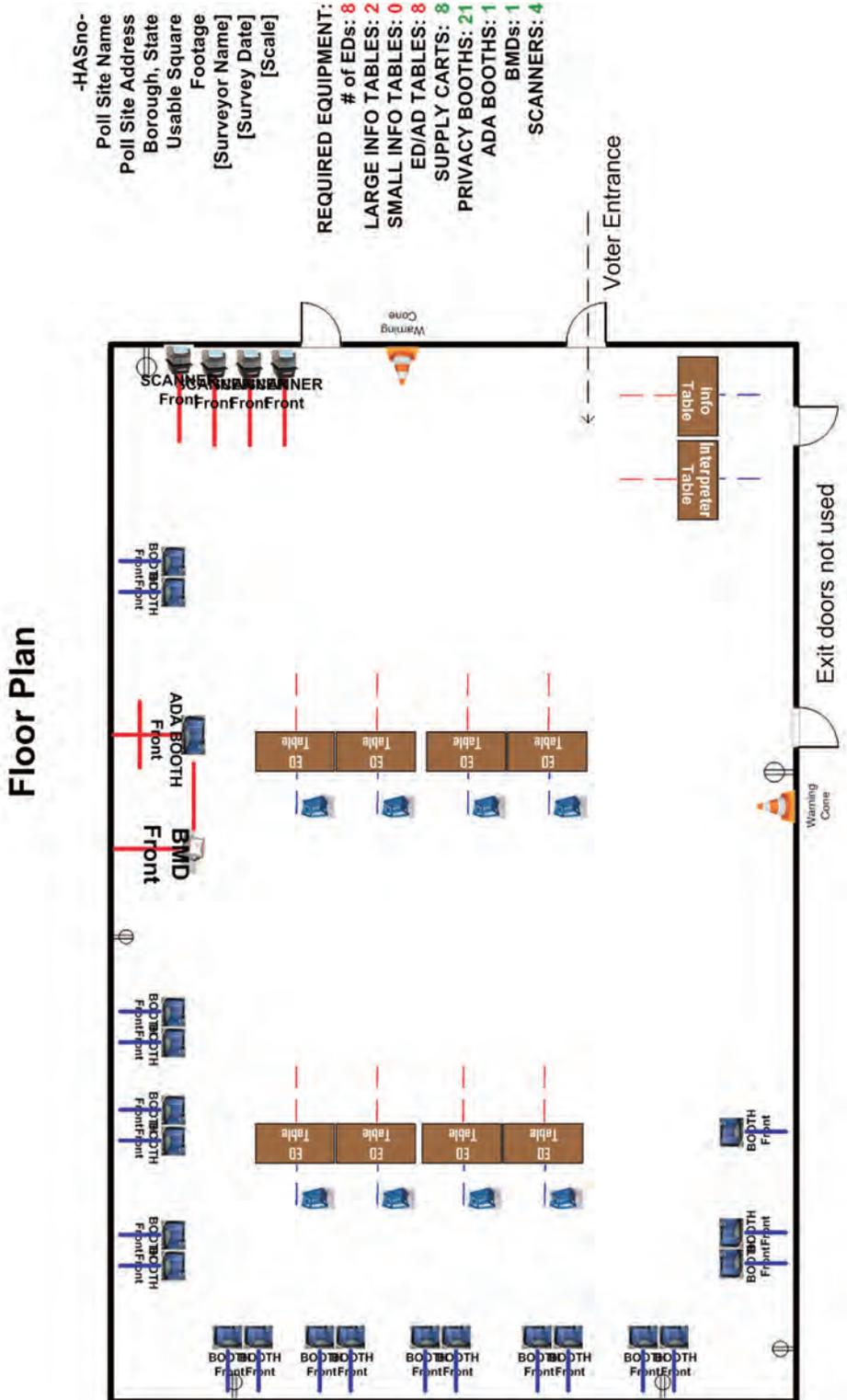
### ED Table Supply Cart Placement

- Supply Cart should be placed on the side or behind the table as space allows, but doors should not be accessible to the voters.

### Scanner Placement

- Back of Scanner towards the wall.
- Be sure privacy panels are in place.
- "Wait Here" sign is 5 feet in front of the Scanners (use tape measure).

# Examples of Poll Site Floor Plan: Inside



Copy on top of each ED Supply Cart

# Examples of Inside Signage and Placement: Posted by Information Clerk

All signage will be in the languages required for your poll site. Post signs 1–4 where voters enter, or just inside the entrance door where voting takes place. Be sure they are visible to all voters.



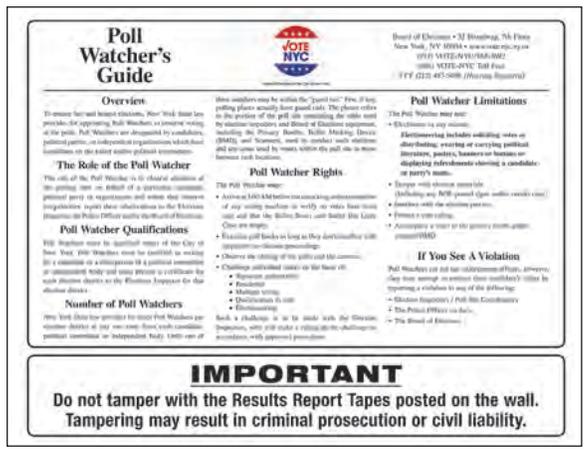
1. International Symbols Poster



2. Instructions To Voters/Multi Language



3. Voter Bill Of Rights



4. Poll Watcher's Guide Poster

# Examples of Inside Signage and Placement: Posted by Information Clerk



5. VOTE HERE ARROWS – post them along the pathway from the entrance of the building to the entrance of the room where voting takes place. The larger the Poll Site and longer the distance – the more arrows are needed. If you need more, tell the Coordinator.



6. Do Not Tamper



7. Poll Site Locator Sign – post inside entrance and near information table.



8. No Photography Sign – post near privacy booths and scanners.

# Examples of Outside Signage and Placement: Posted by Accessibility Clerk

All signage will be in the languages required for your poll site. If you post signs in the order shown it might save you steps. All outside signage should be laminated.



**1. Vote Here (no arrows)**  
Post at main entrance to the building.



**2. Vote Here (with arrows)**  
Post along pathways leading toward main entrance of Poll Site. **DO NOT** use to direct voters to the alternate accessible entrance.



**3. Interpreter sign(s)**  
Post near main entrance. There is one for each language for which there is an interpreter at your Poll Site.



**4. No Electioneering**  
Post 100 feet from each entrance to the Poll Site, at main entrance and the alternate accessible entrance, if there is one.

# Examples of Outside Signage and Placement (continued)

All signage will be in the languages required for your Poll Site.



## 5. Accessible Entrance Sign (no arrows)

If the main voter entrance IS ACCESSIBLE, hang this sign on that entrance.

If the main voter entrance is NOT ACCESSIBLE, hang this at the ALTERNATE ACCESSIBLE entrance.

## 6. Accessible Pathway Sign

Hang the arrow signs along the sidewalk and pathway to direct voters to the accessible entrance.

Make sure the arrow signs are always upright.



These signs tell the voter to go right or left.



This sign tells the voter to go straight.



## 7. Accessibility Locator Sign

Remember to write the location of the accessible entrance on the bottom of the sign if it's not there already.

Hang this sign where a voter with a disability can read it! If the main entrance has steps, hang it on the bottom of the steps!

## 8. Cone

Place as indicated on the schematic to warn voters about obstacles that may be on the accessible path.



# BMD/Privacy Booth Inspector Job: Opening the Poll Site

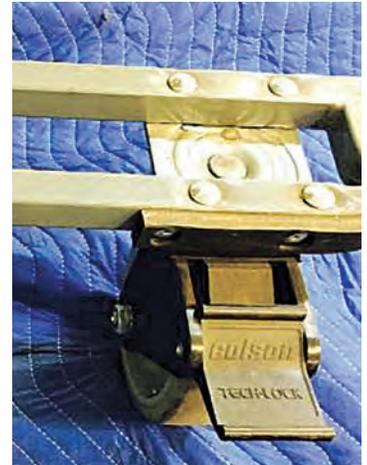
The BMD/Privacy Booth Inspector's job when opening is to set up all Privacy Booths and the BMD(s). All procedures from this manual for opening, serving and closing will be on a BMD Laminated Open/Close Card on the outside of the BMD.

## ARRIVE NO LATER THAN 5:00 A.M.

- If your Poll Site is locked, ring the bell or knock loudly on door/windows to alert the custodian of your presence.
- If you are still unable to enter, call the Borough Office (number on back of manual). If the Coordinator is present, he or she should make the call.

Locate the Coordinator and introduce yourself.

1. The Coordinator will meet you at the BMD to give you the BMD Police Envelope. Remove the plastic cover from the cart. Store cover in bottom of BMD Cart.
2. If Privacy Booths or BMD are not already in place, move them to the correct location, which is shown on the Floor Plan on top of each ED Supply Cart.
3. Be sure to lock the wheels on all Privacy Booths and BMD by pressing down firmly on the lever with your foot. You may have to move the BMD slightly so the lever faces out. Caution: Do not do this with open-toed shoes.
4. **PRIVACY BOOTHS** must be placed according to the diagram found on the top of each supply cart. The lowest booth with the accessibility logo is the Accessibility Privacy Booth.
  - The Accessibility Privacy Booth is to be placed with 5 feet of clearance between the wall and the booth and 5 feet on one side for wheelchair access (use tape measure).
  - Check each booth to be sure it contains a pen and magnifying sheet. Turn on the light before the Poll Site opens. Rotate the light down onto the writing surface. If the light does not work tell the Coordinator.
5. **BMD** is placed with the screen facing the wall and voter's back to the wall. It must be 5 feet from the wall and have clearance on one side of 5 feet, measured from the open door (use tape measure).
6. Check the contents of the BMD Police Envelope: Seals Report, Seals, and Keys. If key(s) is missing see Troubleshooting/Special Situations. The key number will match the gold plate on the side of the BMD.



# BMD/Privacy Booth Inspector Job: Opening the Poll Site

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7. Compare the two green seal numbers on the BMD Cart with the numbers on the Seals Report. **If correct**, initial the report and proceed. **If not**, notify the Coordinator.



8. Break the two green seals and put them in the BMD Police Envelope. **Caution:** Do not break any other seals, numbered or otherwise, on the actual BMD.
9. Using the silver barrel key from the BMD Key Envelope, open the front and back of the BMD Cart. Inside you should have a **BMD Supply Package**, extension cord, and black floor mat.

(Items a–c are in a Ziploc bag)

- Headphones
- Sip & Puff Device
- Rocker Paddle
- Stylus
- Headphone Covers (5 pair)
- Sip & Puff Straws (5)
- Alcohol Wipes (10)
- Gloves
- Operators Manual



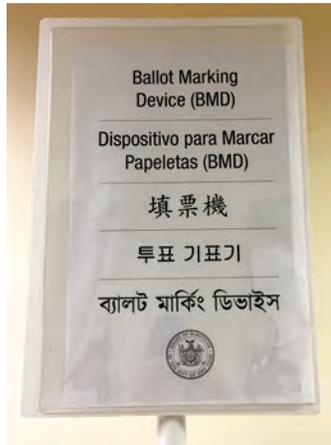
10. Pull out the extension cord and feed it through the shelf holes on the back of the BMD then plug it into the power cord. Be sure the power cord is plugged into the BMD. Rewind the extension cord to remove slack and plug into the outlet on the wall. **Note: Run the extension cord out of the back, along the side of the cart to the outlet.**
11. Cover the extension cord with the black mat. The cord and mat **should not be placed in front of the cart.** Have a chair readily available if a voter requests it, but do not place chair in front of the BMD screen. It is important that the area in front of the BMD screen is free of any obstacles.



# BMD/Privacy Booth Inspector Job: Opening the Poll Site

(continued)

12. Set up the BMD sign (located inside the BMD in a net bag) behind and close to the BMD.



13. Insert the gold key into the BMD and turn to the ON position (middle).

14. The ON light should be green. If it is yellow it is only running on battery. Make sure the power cords are plugged in correctly. If still yellow, continue setting up but tell the Coordinator immediately.



15. Fold back the metal top of the BMD Cart. Open the touchscreen by moving the plastic lid latches towards the outer edges, lifting the lid and pulling up on the screen from the back.



**Note: it takes a little strength to pull up the screen.**

16. Open the ballot feed tray that is in the front of the BMD, by pulling up on the top and then outward away from the BMD.



17. Close the metal top of the cart that you folded back in Step 15.

18. Put the keys and the Seals Report back in the BMD Police Envelope. Put this envelope in the plastic sleeve at the back of the machine. If there is no sleeve, put it behind the screen.

19. Remove accessories from the Ziploc bag and place on the right side of the screen. Place empty supply bags in the back of the BMD.

20. Insert your badge from the Notice to Work Card into the badge holder and put on your badge. Put the remaining portion of the Notice to Work card in the Notice to Work Envelope at the ED Table.

21. Go to ED Table assigned on the Notice to Work and complete the Time Sheet. **If you don't do this before you start, you must do it during the day. You need to sign the book in order to be paid.**

22. You are now ready to serve the voters.

# ED Table Inspector Job: Opening the Poll Site

There should be at least two inspectors at each table, one Democrat and one Republican. One will be designated as the Chairperson. Work together to be ready for first voter at 6:00 a.m.

## 1. ARRIVE NO LATER THAN 5:00 A.M.

- If your Poll Site door is locked, ring the bell or knock loudly on door/windows to alert the custodian of your presence.
- If you are still unable to enter, call the Borough Office (number on back of manual). If there is a Coordinator assigned to your Poll Site, he or she should make the call.

## 2. Locate the Coordinator and introduce yourself.

## 3. Receive the ED Police Envelope from the Coordinator who checks that the Supply Cart number on the ED Police Envelope is the same as the number on the Supply Cart (on the top or side of the cart). If there are any problems, notify the Coordinator.

## 4. Your Supply Cart and table may already be in place. But if not, check by looking at the Floor Plan located on top of any ED Supply Cart. Speak with Coordinator and move as necessary to match the Floor Plan.

## 5. Check contents of ED Police Envelope using the checklist on the envelope. Tell the Coordinator if anything is missing. If there are any special instructions, they will be in this envelope.

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BOARD OF ELECTIONS IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK

### ED SUPPLY CART POLICE ENVELOPE

ED # \_\_\_\_\_ AD # \_\_\_\_\_ Borough \_\_\_\_\_

ED SUPPLY CART UNIT # \_\_\_\_\_

ED Inspector check the contents and if anything is missing tell the Coordinator.

(2) Red plastic numbered seal
ED Supply Cart Key Envelope
Special Instructions (if any)*
Number to call for Emergencies is on the side of the cart.

\*Note: ED Inspector – Read and follow any Special Instructions contained in this envelope

Return this envelope to the Coordinator at the close of polls.

# ED Table Inspector Job: Opening the Poll Site (continued)

- 6. Check to be sure the green seal on the front doors of the Supply Cart has not been tampered with and that it matches the number on the ED Police Envelope. If it is missing or tampered with or not the same number, tell the Coordinator but still write the number of the tampered seal on the Seals Report in your ED Forms Booklet.

## Continue with Set Up:

- Break the seal and put it in the ED Police Envelope. Remove the key.
- Open the Supply Cart doors, put the key back in the envelope, and put the envelope in the plastic sleeve on the inside door of the cart.

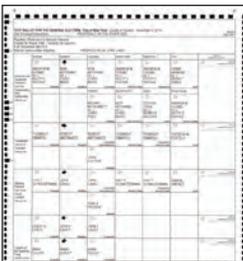
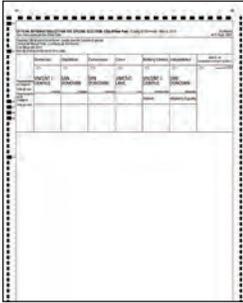


- Record the green seal number on the ED Seals Report.
- If the seal is missing, note this on the second line.
- If the seal number is different, check the box on the seals report and record the actual seal number in the first space above.
- Remove lime green case containing E-Poll Book. Break the green seal and note the seal number on the ED Seals Report.
- At the end of the night, record the red seal number placed on the case after the unit and accessories are packed up.

ED SUPPLY CART SEALS REPORT	
Election date: _____	ED _____ AD _____
Poll Site Name: _____	Address: _____ Poll Site # _____
<b>OPENING ED SUPPLY CART :</b>	
Record seal number already on cart door (green plastic). If the seal is missing place check mark here.	<input type="checkbox"/>
If the seal number is different than that listed on the ED Police Envelope, make a check mark here. Write new number in first space above.	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>OPENING E-POLL BOOK:</b>	
Record seal number already on carrying case. If the seal is missing place check mark here.	<input type="checkbox"/>
If the seal number is different than that listed on the ED Police Envelope, make a check mark here. Write new number in first space above.	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>CLOSING ED SUPPLY CART:</b>	
Record the seal number of the red plastic seal you placed on the cart at the close of polls.	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>CLOSING E-POLL BOOK:</b>	
Record the seal number of the red plastic seal you placed on the e-poll book carrying case at the close of polls.	<input type="checkbox"/>

## ED Table Inspector Job: Opening the Poll Site (continued)

7. Remove items from the Supply Cart. You should have everything listed below. If items are missing, tell the Coordinator. **Note: If you are the lowest numbered ED in the lowest AD, your Supply Cart will have additional supplies.**

WHAT IS IN EACH ED SUPPLY CART	How it is packaged
ED Supply Envelope (content listed on next page)	Manila paper envelope
Grey Transport Bag (content listed on next page)	Canvas bag
Orange Return Bag (empty)	Canvas bag
Scannable Ballots Blue pattern (image of the state) 	Multiple packages of ballots – each package is shrink wrapped with the Ballot Transmittal Sheet on top of the first package.
Affidavit Ballots (unscannable) 	Shrink wrapped bundle with red sticker or packages in a box. This may vary by election.
Sample Ballot Poster(s)	Loose
(1) ED/AD Sign	Mesh bag
(1) Court Order Certificate pad	Loose
(1) Blue table display	Shrink wrapped with forms inside
Red striped border privacy sleeves (Affidavit Ballot)	Shrink wrapped
Black striped privacy sleeves	Shrink wrapped
E-Poll Book	Lime green case

## ED Table Inspector Job: Opening the Poll Site (continued)

8. Check that you have everything listed for the ED Supply Envelope and the Grey Transport Bag, telling the Coordinator if anything is missing. Lay the items out on the table or Supply Cart as you check them off.

### WHAT IS IN THE ED SUPPLY ENVELOPE

- Basic Poll Worker Manual
- ED Forms Booklet (contains Notice to Work Envelope)
- Magnifying Sheet
- Void Ballot Envelope
- Large "A" Envelope
- Special Ballot/Absentee Ballot Return Envelope\*
- Excess Ballot Envelope
- Valid Emergency Ballots Envelope
- Partially Used Ballot Package Envelope
- Small plastic envelope with: (4) badge holders, language badge holders, tape, (4) pens, (1) pad of white paper seals, white plastic ties for Grey Transport Bag and Orange ED Return Bag, (5) rubber bands, (1) roll of tape, (1) small writing pad
- Affidavit Tent Card
- "I Voted" stickers and Future Voter stickers
- Extra Affidavit Ballot Envelopes



### WHAT IS IN THE GREY TRANSPORT BAG

- Return of Canvass forms (2) – place one copy on the ED Table to track ballots given out
- Affidavit Ballot and Court Order Log Book

**Note: Actual bag has ED/AD number.**



## ED Table Inspector Job: Opening the Poll Site (continued)

- 9. If you are in the lowest numbered ED in the lowest numbered AD you will also have extra paper rolls for the Scanners plus the following supplies for other Poll Workers:**

### **COORDINATOR GETS THESE ITEMS FROM LOWEST ED/AD AND GIVES TO THE POLL WORKERS:**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Packaging</b>
Scanner Supply Envelope(s)	Manila envelope
Interpreter Supply Envelope(s)	Manila envelope
Information Clerk Supply Envelope(s)	Manila envelope
Accessibility Clerk Supply Envelope	Manila envelope
Outside Signage Bag	Bag with handle
Inside Signage Envelope	Manila envelope
Tablet and MiFi (battery pack, charger)	Black case

### **SCANNER INSPECTOR GETS THESE ITEMS FROM LOWEST ED/AD:**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Packaging</b>
Extension Cord(s)	Rolled
Black Scanner Privacy Panels (2 for each scanner)	Loose
“Wait Here” sign (instructions included)	Black canvas bag
Small Yellow Canvas Scanner Pouch (inside is pink Ziploc bag, white paper seal, and one yellow two pronged plastic seal – two seals if Scanner A).	Loose

### **THESE ITEMS ARE FOR THE COORDINATOR FROM THE LOWEST ED/AD:**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Packaging</b>
Coordinator Supply Envelope	Manila envelope
Purple Coordinator Bag*	Canvas bag
Blue Poll Site Return Bag*	Canvas bag
Large Yellow Scanner Voting Records Bag*	Canvas bag with straps
Return of Canvass Envelope*	Manila envelope

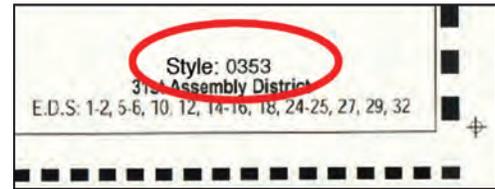
\*Coordinator may choose to leave in Supply Cart until close of polls.

## ED Table Inspector Job: Opening the Poll Site (continued)

- Lay the items for your table out on the table or Supply Cart according to the diagrams in these procedures. Only one package of ballots is unwrapped and placed on the table at a time. Leave other packages (wrapped) in the Supply Cart, out of reach of the public. **Note: In a Primary Election, you will put one package for each party on the table.**

Do you have the right ED ballots? Notice the style number is on the back of the ballot in the lower right corner above the list of ED/ADs. If wrong ED/AD, tell the Coordinator.

Code on Scanner Tape



**The Borough of Queens has special procedures for placing, distributing, and recording Tri-Lingual Ballots. See the Appendix for these procedures.**

- Remove the Lime Green E-Poll Book Case in the supply cart. Open the case and set up the E-Poll Book according to the instruction manual in the case. Remove green seal and place in ED Police Envelope.
- Complete the **Ballot Transmittal Sheet** (packaged on top of the first package of scannable ballots). **Note: If it is a Primary Election there will be a separate Ballot Transmittal Sheet and separate ballots for each party. If there is only one package of ballots, there is no Ballot Transmittal sheet.**

KINGS		AD 41 – ED 80		
General Election - May 5th, 2015		Total Ballots: _____ Total Ballots per Package: <u>25</u> Total Packages: <u>4</u>		
Initial as packages are opened	Package	Ballots	Amount of ballots used	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> = all used from pkg. <input type="checkbox"/> = none used from pkg.
	1			
	2			
	3			
	4			
<b>Total Number of Ballots used</b>		<input type="text"/>		

**Signatures**

Name _____ date/time _____	Name _____ date/time _____
Name _____ date/time _____	Name _____ date/time _____

ZONE B0086

- Count packages without unwrapping and multiply by 25 which is the amount in each package. Enter total on Total Ballots line above.
- Initial next to Package #1 and put the form back in the sleeve on the inside door of the cart with extra ballots. You do not have to use a form for the Affidavit Ballots.
- Use this form and initial each time you remove a package of ballots from the cart throughout the day.

# ED Table Inspector Job: Opening the Poll Site (continued)

- Complete the **Return of Canvass** (2 forms found in the Grey Transport Bag). Check that the pre-printed ED/AD on the form is correct and if not, tell the Coordinator. Record the total number of ballots you started with in the space marked "START OF DAY TOTAL."

The image shows a 'Return of Canvass' form. At the top, there are fields for 'Assembly District - Assembly District' and 'Poll Site Name'. Below this, there are two main sections: 'Section 1 Ballots Cast by Scanner' and 'Section 2'. Section 1 includes a table with columns for 'Ballot Code' and 'Ballot Style', and rows labeled A through J, plus a 'Total' row. Section 2 is a large grid for recording ballot counts. There are orange circles around the 'Assembly District' field and the 'Section 2' header.

Please turn over the **Return of Canvass** and fold it in half. On the right side of the back page, there are horizontal rows numbered from 1–25. There are 25 ballots in each package. When you open a package and hand out ballots, start with the first row –X the number 1 – then number 2 – and then continue until you X 25. When you get to 25 your ballot package will be empty. Continue this process with each package of ballots. **Note: You must keep this sheet on the ED Table and current so we can do ballot accountability during the day.**

- Check the **Sample Ballot Poster** to be sure it matches the real ballots and that the same language(s) appear on both documents. If not, tell the Coordinator. There may be two posters if the ballot continues to the back side or it is a Primary Election with different ballots.
- Set up the **ED/AD Sign** (directions in the bag), attach the Sample Ballot Poster(s) to the pole, and place the sign on the side of the table. **Do not** place behind the table.

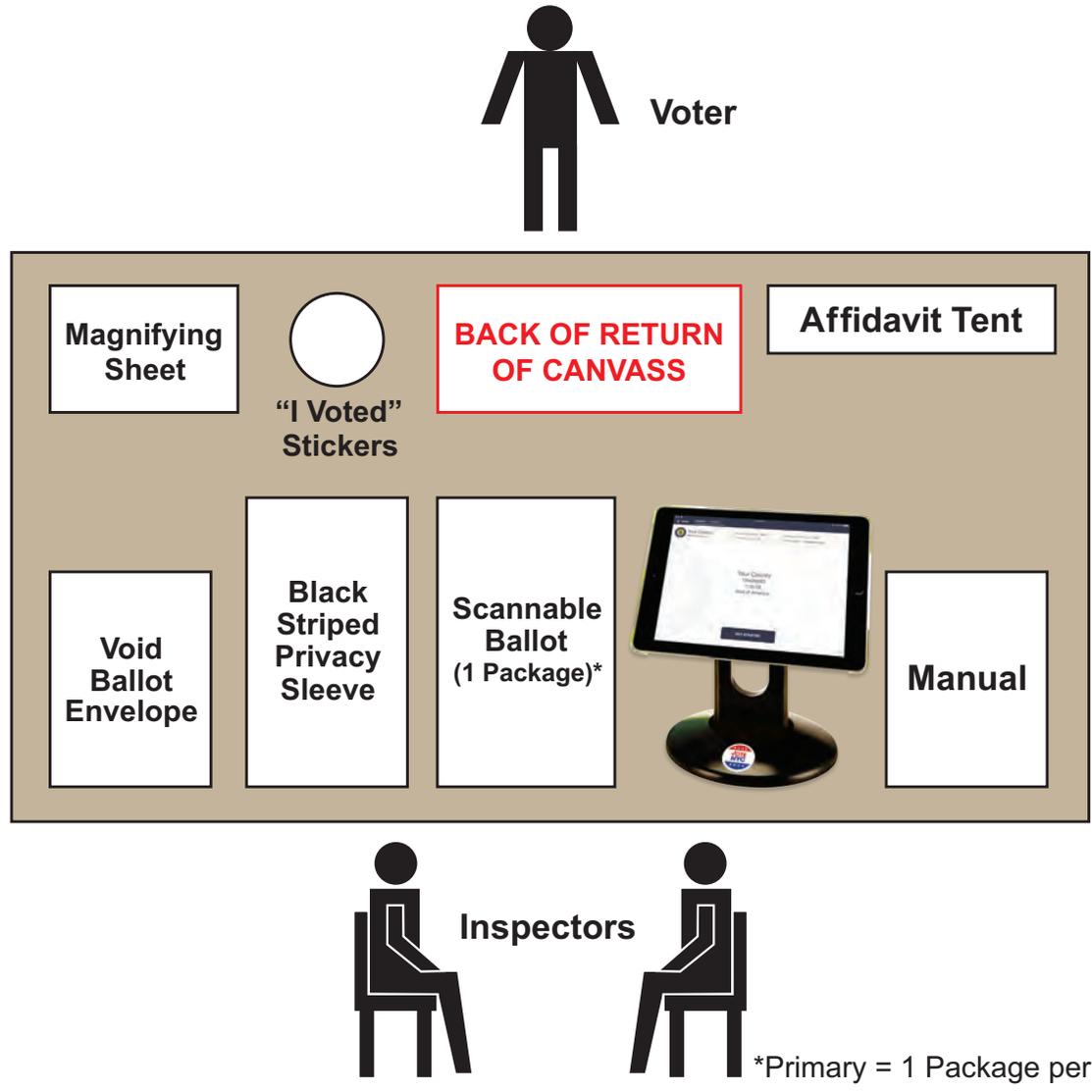
The image shows a 'Results of Hand Canvass of Unscanned Ballots' form. It has a header with a checkbox 'Check, print ED Ball Not Unscanned Ballot'. Below the header is a large grid with 25 rows and 25 columns, used for recording the number of ballots in each row. The grid is currently empty.

- Position the Supply Cart behind or to the side of your table, but be sure the public cannot reach the ballots.
- Complete the opening section of the ED Seals Report in the ED Forms Booklet.
- Sign the Time Sheet in the ED Forms Booklet before you start. If this cannot be done, please be certain to sign sometime during the day.
- Insert your badge from the Notice to Work Card into the badge holder and put on your badge. Put the remaining portion of the Notice to Work Card in the Notice to Work Envelope stapled inside the ED Forms Booklet.
- You are now ready to serve the voters.

**CAUTION: DO NOT LET ANY BALLOTS OUT OF YOUR SIGHT at any time. You are accountable for every ballot (used and unused) at the close of polls.**

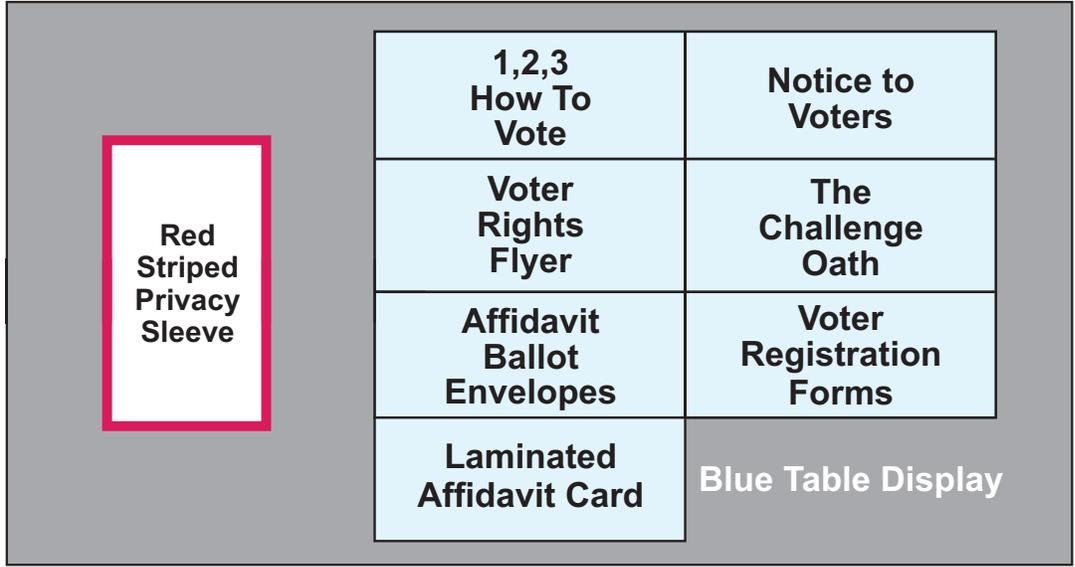
# ED Table Layout

- It is important to keep the table neat and organized. Only items most often used should be on the table. Items that are not used as often are to be placed on or in the Supply Cart.
- The Inspector Affidavit tent card contains information on one side for the Inspector, listing reasons for an Affidavit.
- All supplies for voting an Affidavit Ballot are in the Blue Table Display on the top of and first shelf of the Supply Cart.
- Special Situations are listed in the Basic Poll Worker Manual with procedures on how to handle each situation. Keep the manual open to these pages when serving the voters.
- The manual also contains a procedure page for Using an Affidavit Ballot and for Using a Court Order.

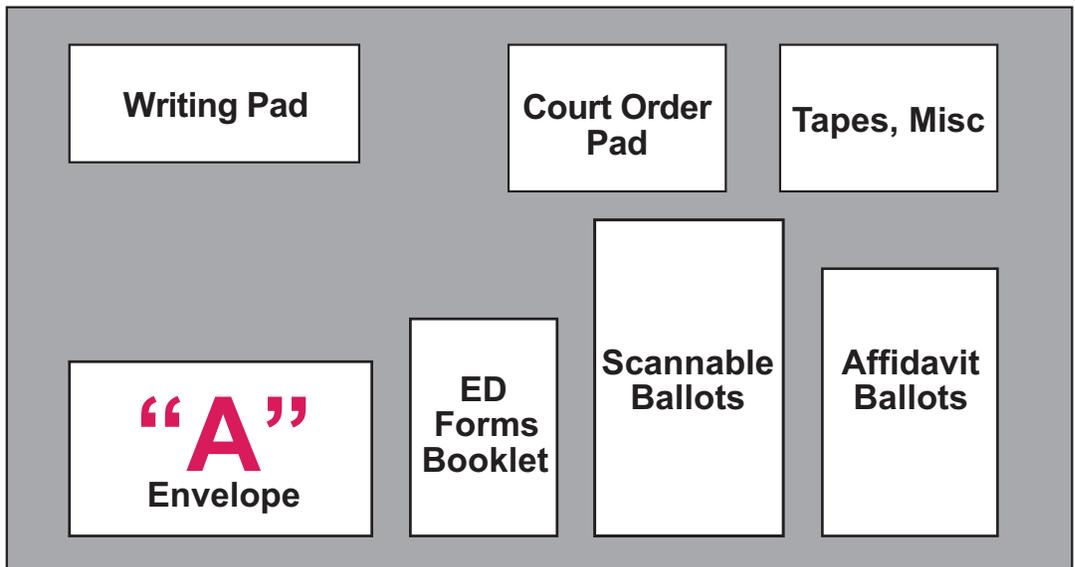


# ED Supply Cart Layout

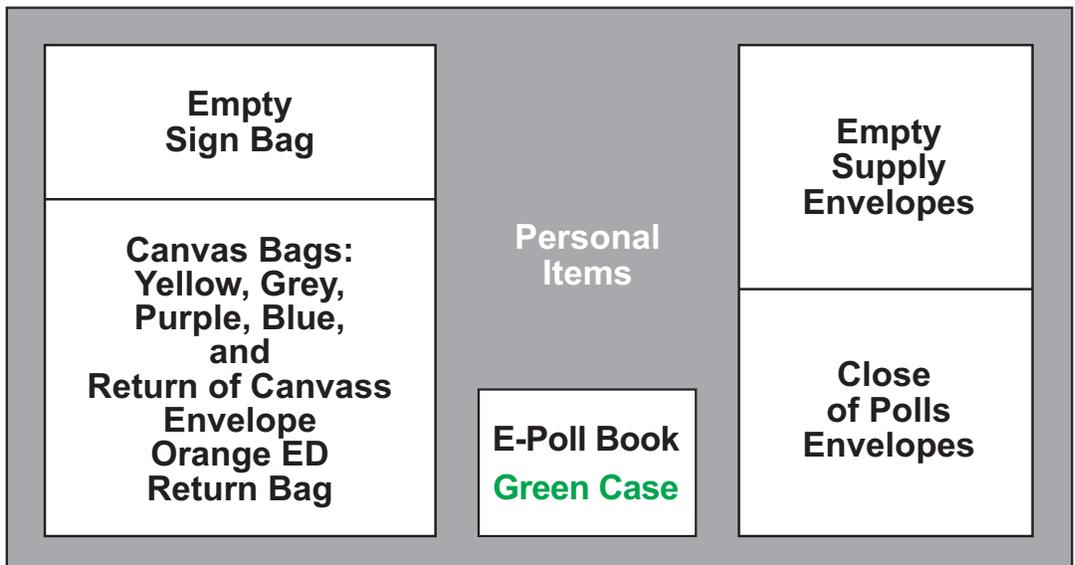
Top of Cart



First Shelf



Bottom Shelf



# Scanner Inspector Job: Opening the Poll Site

Each Poll Site has a minimum of two Scanners. Two bipartisan Scanner Inspectors oversee the setup, use, and closing of each Scanner. You will find Scanner Opening and Closing Instruction Cards on the outside of the Scanner. **All Scanners must be opened.**

## ARRIVE NO LATER THAN 5:00 A.M.

- If your Poll Site door is locked, ring the bell or knock loudly on door/windows to alert the custodian of your presence.
- If you are still unable to enter, call the Borough Office (number on back of manual). If the Coordinator is present, he or she should make the call.

Locate the Coordinator and introduce yourself.

1. Go to the lowest numbered ED of the lowest AD Supply Cart to get your supplies which include: Scanner Supply Envelope; extension cord(s), Privacy Panels, Small Yellow Pouch and "Wait Here" Scanner sign (black canvas bag).



Extension Cord(s)

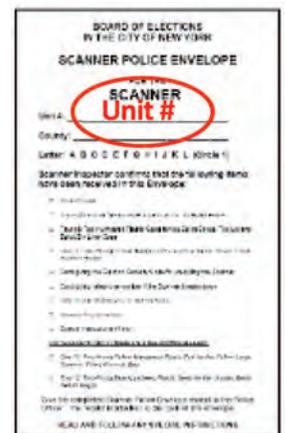
Small Yellow Pouch

Scanner Supply Envelope

Privacy Panels

Wait Here Sign found in Black Canvas Bag

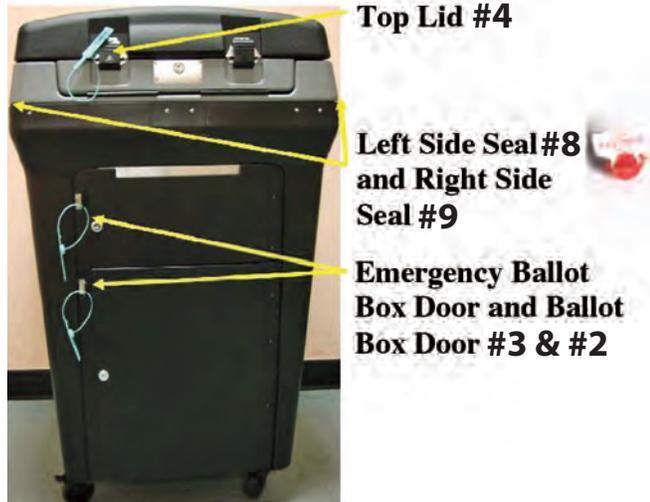
2. Meet the Coordinator at the Scanner to receive the Scanner Police Envelope. The Inspector will check that the Scanner unit number is correct. If not, he/she will notify the Coordinator who will call the Borough Office.
3. Confirm contents of **Scanner Police Envelope** using checklist on the envelope. The envelope contains the Seals Report, seals, Election Security Code, Key Envelope and Special Instruction Envelope (if any). If you are assigned to Scanner A, you will have additional seals for emergency use. **Note: Any seals that are removed are to be placed inside this envelope.**
4. Confirm the contents of the **Scanner Supply Envelope** using the checklist on the envelope and if anything is missing, tell the Coordinator.



# Scanner Inspector Job: Opening the Poll Site (continued)

5. If the Scanner is not already in place, position it as shown on the Poll Site Floor Plan which is on top of each ED Supply Cart. Turn the Scanner so you can see the lock. Step down on the lever – **do not use hands or step with open toed shoes** to prevent injury.

6. Remove the Seals Report from the Scanner Police Envelope. Check that the seal numbers on the report match the seal numbers on the outside of the Scanner and initial the report by the seal numbers. There are five seals. The red seals on the left and the right sides are permanent. If a seal does not match, ask the Coordinator to call the Borough Office to report it and write the number on the report.



Opening The Poll Site

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Scanner Seal Pack ID: 68872, Assigned To: KG0135

Location	Type	Color	When Used	Number	Insp Init
1. PMD/Printer Compartment Door	Paper Label	Yellow	During Day	01941233	_____
2. Ballot Box Door	Plastic	Green	Opening	15580322	_____
3. Emergency Ballot Box Door	Plastic	Green	Opening	15580323	_____
4. Top Lid	Plastic	Green	Opening	15580324	_____
2. Ballot Box Door	Plastic	Yellow	During Day	12961864	_____
3. Emergency Ballot Box Door	Plastic	Yellow	During Day	13577526	_____
2. Ballot Box Door	Plastic	Red	Closing	17730461	_____
3. Emergency Ballot Box Door	Plastic	Red	Closing	17730462	_____
4. Top Lid	Plastic	Red	Closing	17730463	_____
5. Ballot Bin Liner Case	Plastic	Red	Closing	17730464	_____
6. Screen	Paper Label	Green	Opening	3228550	_____
7. Backup Door	Paper Label	Red	Permanent	01941222	_____
Small Yellow Scanner Pouch	Tab Insert	Yellow	Closing	3344531	_____
<i>Existing Seals on KG0135</i>					
Left Side Seal	Wire	Red	Permanent	_____	_____
Right Side Seal	Wire	Red	Permanent	_____	_____
Inspector: _____				Date: _____	
Inspector: _____				Date: _____	

## Scanner Inspector Job: Opening the Poll Site (continued)

7. Remove keys from the Scanner Key Envelope found in the Scanner Police Envelope. Using the silver key, open the power cord compartment at the back of the Scanner. Unwrap the cord and plug into the extension cord, then into the wall outlet. **Note: Connect no more than two Scanners to each extension cord. DO NOT use the BMD extension cord for the Scanners.** If you are missing an extension cord, please ask your Coordinator to request more.

8. You should hear a faint beep. If not, check that the plug is connected to the black power converter in the back of the Scanner.

9. Check that the metal bar in the power cord compartment is held in place by the white clip and if not, push to close it. Leave the compartment door open.



Ensure the white clip is closed and leave power cord compartment open.

10. Remove the green seal from Top Lid (Location #4) and put it in the Scanner Police Envelope. Use the **silver** key to unlock the lid – turn left and remove key. Unlock latches on the lid and lift.

11. Use the Seals Report to check the following seals on the interior of the Scanner. If they match, initial the report. If they do not match, tell the Coordinator.

- Release lock (yellow) – listed on report – **DO NOT REMOVE SEAL**
- Backup door (red) – Location #7 – **DO NOT REMOVE SEAL**
- Screen seal (green) – Location #6 – **TAKE OFF THE SEAL** and put in Scanner Police Envelope



Backup Door #7

Screen #6

Release Lock

12. Use the black barrel key to unlock the screen.

Lift the screen up from the front and you should hear a beep as the screen automatically turns on. If not, check the power cord and if there is still a problem, tell the Coordinator. Return key to Scanner Key Envelope and place into Scanner Police Envelope.

13. Check the yellow paper seal at the PMD compartment (location #1) matches the Seals Report, and if so, initial where indicated.

14. While the Scanner is booting up, remove the green seal from the Emergency Ballot Box door (location #3). Open the door with the silver key and make sure the box is **empty**. **Note: Make sure the emergency slot is closed.** If yes, close and re-lock the door. If not tell the Coordinator.

15. Reseal the door with the yellow plastic numbered seal designated for that purpose in the Seals Report and initial the report.

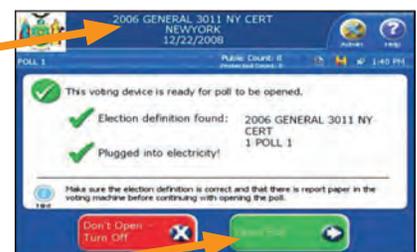
16. Remove the green seal from the Ballot Box (location #2) and put it in Scanner Police Envelope. Use the silver key to open the door. Remove the Ballot Bin Liner case. Check the inside of the box and the bin liner to be sure they are **empty**. If not tell the Coordinator. If empty, put the Ballot Bin Liner case back inside and make sure the lids/flaps are up so the bin can receive ballots.

# Scanner Inspector Job: Opening the Poll Site (continued)

- 17. Close and lock the ballot box door. Reseal the door with the yellow plastic numbered seal shown on the Seals Report for that purpose. Initial the report where indicated.
- 18. Return keys to the Scanner Police Envelope. Place the envelope into the plastic pouch on the back of the Scanner until the close of polls.
- 19. Put up the privacy panels with the logo facing out.
- 20. Enter the Election Security Code provided to you in the Police Envelope and press **"Accept."** Scanner will print a Configuration Report Tape. **DO NOT TEAR OFF TAPE YET.** If not printing, tell the Coordinator immediately.



- 21. Screen will display Poll Site name and address. Make sure they are correct and if not, tell the Coordinator who will call the Borough Office **IMMEDIATELY.**
- 22. Look at the screen to check power to be sure the Scanner is plugged in correctly. Green indicates the Scanner is receiving electricity. Red means the Scanner is using the battery.

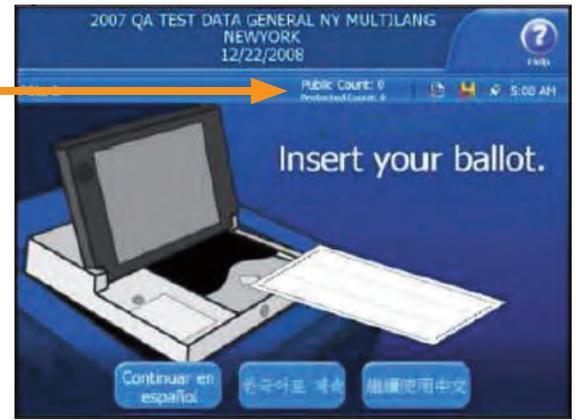
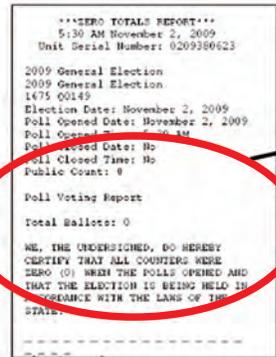


Press **green "OPEN POLL"** button and Scanner will print a Zero Report Tape. Make sure all vote totals for every candidate or proposal are zero.

- 23. Tear off the tape containing both the Configuration and Zero Report Tape. Write the Scanner letter on the tape and both Scanner Inspectors sign the report tape. **Note: Poll Watchers are allowed to see this tape before it goes in the pouch.** Put the tape in the small Yellow Scanner Pouch, and put the pouch in the clear plastic sleeve on the back of the Scanner or on open door until close of polls.

# Scanner Inspector Job: Opening the Poll Site (continued)

24. If tape is pink, you need to replace the paper roll. See instructions in Scanner: Troubleshooting.
25. **At 6:00 a.m.** press the green **“GO TO VOTING MODE”** button. The Coordinator will announce the time.
26. The “Insert your ballot” screen appears on the screen and the system is ready for voting.
27. Make sure the Public Count is Zero. If not tell the Coordinator.
28. Enter the Public Count and Protected Count in the Public/Protected Count Work Sheet found in the Scanner Booklet. Fill in the Scanner letter from the front of the Scanner.
29. Fill in the Poll Site and Scanner information on the cover and inside forms of the Scanner Booklet.
30. Both Scanner Inspectors must sign the Scanner Inspectors Certification for Opening in the Scanner Booklet.
31. Set up the “Wait Here” sign five feet in front of the Scanners. Instructions for how to set up are in the bag.
  - Put the empty supply envelopes and sign bag out of the way.
32. Be sure the “Do Not Tamper” sign is posted near the Scanners.



**SCANNER INSPECTORS CERTIFICATION**

Election date pre-printed: \_\_\_\_\_ Scanner Letter: \_\_\_\_\_

Poll Site name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_

**OPENING:**

We the undersigned, do certify that the following is true:

- Statements on Scanner Seals Report and Public/Protected Count Worksheet.
- Scanner keys were delivered to us in a secure envelope.
- Scanner was inspected by all Scanner Inspectors present at opening.
- Scanner serial number provided on the key envelope was confirmed.
- Scanner was locked and sealed and all seals matched those reported on the Seals Report and if not, the Borough Office was notified.
- Scanner keys were removed in the presence of one Democrat and one Republican.
- The zero tape was reviewed to confirm all races had zero counts and then secured in the yellow pouch.
- No Inspector or other person touched the interior of the voting system or its mechanism.

Inspector name \_\_\_\_\_ and poll worker # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Inspector name \_\_\_\_\_ and poll worker # \_\_\_\_\_

**CLOSING:**

We the undersigned, do certify that the following is true:

- Scanner has been secured against further voting with the seals listed on the Seals Report.
- All numbers on the Public/Protected Count Worksheet are correct.
- Close of polls results tape has been reviewed and signed by inspectors and given to the Coordinator to secure to the Return of Canvass.
- All cast ballots have been secured and given over to the Police Officer for transport.
- No Inspector or other person touched the interior of the voting system or its mechanism.
- All necessary certificates and forms have been completed.

Inspector name \_\_\_\_\_ poll worker # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Inspector name \_\_\_\_\_ poll worker # \_\_\_\_\_

You are now ready to serve the voters.

## Example of Seals and Seals Report

The Seals, Seals Report and the Security Code come inside the Scanner Police Envelope. The Seals Report shows:

1. Seal numbers are pre-printed on the report.
2. When checking seals already on the Scanner, find that seal on the report. Seals are listed by description, location and type of seal – paper or plastic.
3. The report will tell you when during the day the seal is used. For example: Ballot Box Door is Location #2 but that door uses three different seals at different times. If opening the Scanner, you would look at the #2 for “opening.”
4. Once you find the correct seal and when it is used, check that the numbers are the same. If so, initial on the line. If different, tell the Coordinator before proceeding and write down the number on the report.
5. At the close of polls both Scanner Inspectors must sign the Seals Report.
  - **Note: green seals are on the Scanner at opening and will be replaced, yellow seals are used as replacement seals, and red seals are not to be removed.**
  - Seals that are already on the Scanner: **green** if to be removed and **red** if they are not to be removed.
  - Seals to be put on the machine during the day or potential replacement: **yellow**.
  - Seals to be put on at close of polls: **red**.

# Example of Seals and Seals Report (continued)



**Top Lid #4**

**Left Side Seal #8  
and Right Side  
Seal #9**

**Emergency Ballot  
Box Door and Ballot  
Box Door #3 & #2**



**Backup Door #7**

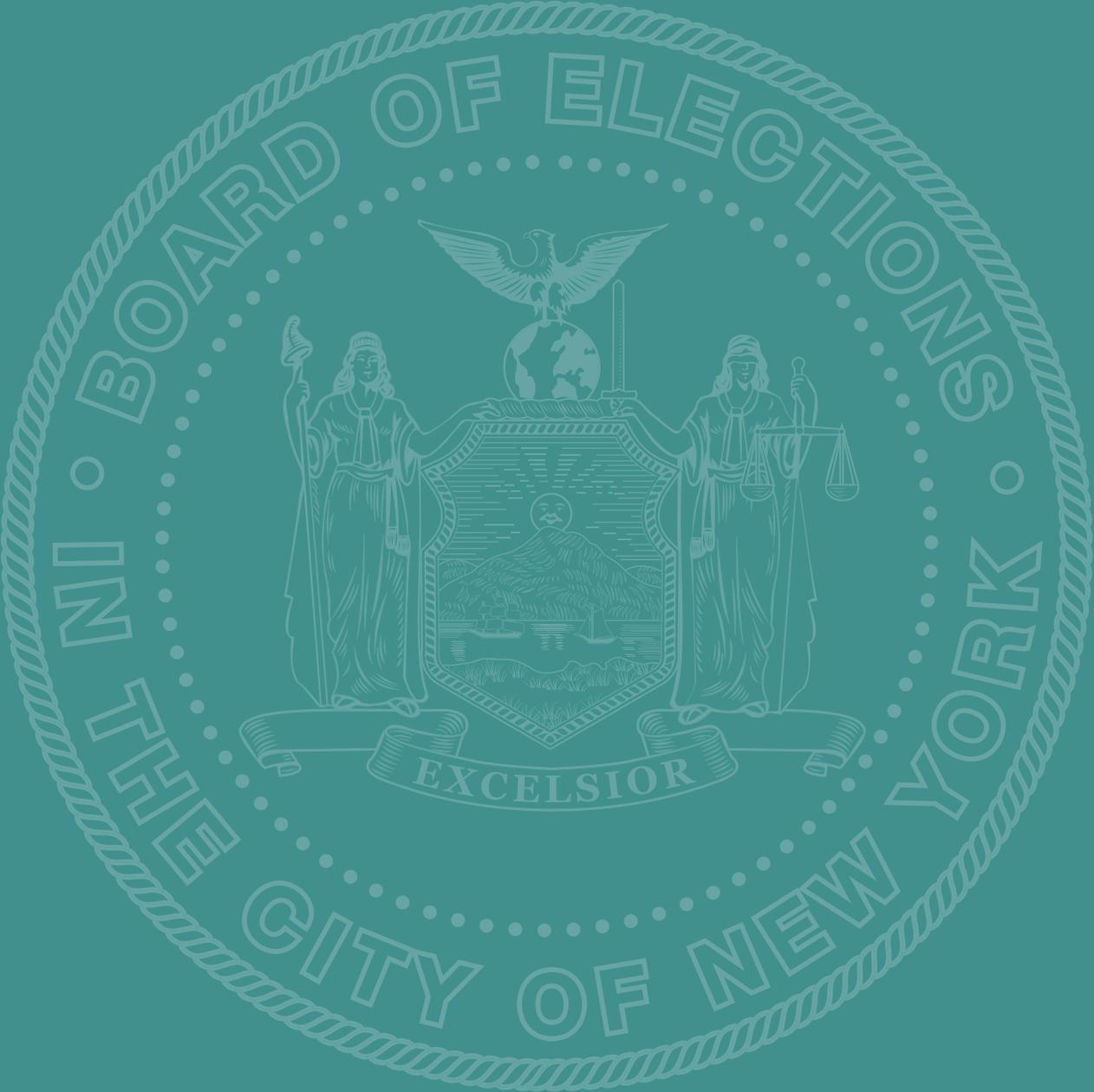
**Screen #6**

**Release Lock**



**PMD Compartment #1**

# SERVING THE VOTERS



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# Overview of the Voting Process

A voter will follow three simple steps to cast his or her vote at the Poll Site.



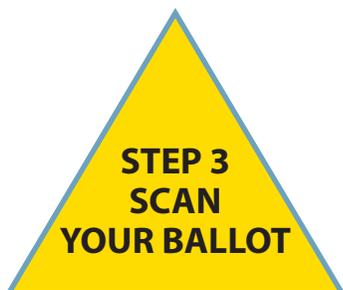
## STEP 1 GET YOUR BALLOT

- Voters who do not know their ED/AD number should stop at the Information Table first for directions.
- The voter then goes to his or her ED/AD Table to sign in on the E-Poll Book.
- After signing the E-Poll Book, the Inspector at the ED/AD Table will issue a paper ballot inside a black striped privacy sleeve which has instructions on how to mark the ballot.
- Special situations including affidavit ballot and court order are addressed in the manual.



## STEP 2 MARK YOUR BALLOT

- After marking their scannable ballot, the voter places it in the privacy sleeve and takes it to a Scanner. The Scanner Inspector will instruct the voter on which Scanner to use.
- Affidavit Ballots are returned in the sealed envelope to the ED Table.



## STEP 3 SCAN YOUR BALLOT

- The voter waits in a single line behind the “Wait Here” Scanner sign for the next available Scanner.
- The voter removes the ballot from the privacy sleeve, inserts the ballot into the Scanner to cast his or her vote, and returns the sleeve to the Scanner Inspector.
- Scanner Inspectors are stationed 5 feet away from the Scanner and ready to assist upon request.
- The voter receives an “I Voted” sticker.

# ED Table Inspector Job: Serving the Voters

## Greet the voter with a smile and welcome.

1. Voter appears at ED Table and announces name and address to Inspector #1. If you are unsure of the name, ask for it to be repeated, spelled out, or written on a piece of paper.
2. Inspector #1 finds the voter in the E-Poll Book. Follow the prompts on your E-Poll Book.



- Choose Manual Entry.
- **IF THE VOTER PROVIDES IT**, you may scan the barcode on the Voter Information Notice card to find the voters record.

3. IF IT IS A PRIMARY ELECTION, Inspector(s) must confirm party enrollment.
4. Inspector #2 removes a ballot from the ballot package. **Queens** – see **Appendix for Tri-Lingual Ballot procedure**. Be sure to X the next number on the manual tally sheet on the back of the Return of Canvass.
5. Inspector #2 places the ballot inside the black striped privacy sleeve and reminds the voter that the sleeve contains voting instructions. The voter is directed to the Privacy Booths.  
**Note: Privacy sleeves MUST be given to every voter.**
6. Give the voter an “I Voted” sticker. If there are children with the voter, offer them a Future Voter sticker.



# ED Table Inspector Job: Serving the Voters (continued)

## Special Situations

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# ED Table Inspector Job: Serving the Voters (continued)

## Special Situations

Most voters will fall into the “perfect” category. However, it is when things do not go perfectly that you need to find help quickly. Use the chart below to find the problem and the solution. Do not try to commit this to memory – there are too many variables and some of these situations happen very rarely. **Remember to be patient and listen carefully.**

IF	THEN
<b>USING AFFIDAVIT BALLOT</b>	COMPLETE INSTRUCTIONS ON Pages 51–57.
<b>USING A COURT ORDER</b>	COMPLETE INSTRUCTIONS ON Page 58.
<b>1. YOU CANNOT FIND NAME IN E-POLL BOOK</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Confirm the spelling of the name.</li><li>• Check that the first and last names have not been reversed.</li><li>• Go to Advanced Search on E-Poll Book. Press Reset button. Go to DOB and ask for the voter’s date of birth. Fill in the 2 digit month, 2 digit date and 4 digit year. All voters with that date of birth will appear alphabetically. If the voter is listed, and all information is correct, you can continue with the check-in process.</li><li>• <b>Note: Voter’s name may have been misspelled in the E-Poll Book. Use the Voter Information Correction Form in the back of the ED Forms Booklet and fill in the correct information.</b></li><li>• If you still cannot locate the voter’s name, offer them an Affidavit Ballot if they insist on voting, or offer a Court Order Certificate.</li><li>• <b>Note: In a Primary, ask the voter if they are registered in one of the parties conducting a Primary Election. If their party is not holding an election their name will not be on the list.</b></li></ul>
<b>2. E-POLL BOOK SHOWS NO OR WRONG SIGNATURE</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Inform voter that he/she must vote an Affidavit Ballot.</li><li>• On the E-Poll Book, check the affidavit box.</li><li>• Complete the Affidavit Log in the grey transport bag.</li><li>• If the voter refuses to vote the Affidavit Ballot, offer the voter a Court Order Certificate.</li></ul> <p><b>Note: A wrong signature is one that is not the same name. If a signature is for the same name but does not match, that becomes a challenge and they are offered the Challenge Oath.</b></p>

## ED Table Inspector Job: Serving the Voters (continued)

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### 3. VOTER QUESTIONS PARTY ENROLLMENT IN A PRIMARY ELECTION

- If it is a Primary Election and the voter says he/she is registered to a different party than what is shown on the E-Poll Book, the voter must vote by Affidavit Ballot.
- Click the “Affidavit” Box and fill out Affidavit Log.

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### 4. E-POLL BOOK SAYS “ID REQ”

- The voter must show one of the IDs listed next to their name in the E-Poll Book. Check the box for the ID presented in the E-Poll Book.
- Click the box for the form of ID shown by the voter.
- If the voter **does not have ID or refuses to show ID**, offer the voter an Affidavit Ballot or Court Order Certificate.

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### 5. VOTER WANTS A NEW AFFIDAVIT BALLOT

- Write “VOID” on the back of the ballot, fold it and put it in the Void Ballot Envelope on the ED Table.
- Find the voter’s name on the Affidavit Log in the grey transport bag.
- Give the voter another ballot.
- Check the box under the second ballot column. If the voter comes back a third time, check the box under the third ballot column.
- Voter is entitled to up to 3 ballots. After that, they must request a court order.

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### 6. VOTER IS AT WRONG POLL SITE BUT INSISTS ON VOTING

- Issue the voter an Affidavit Ballot.

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### 7. VOTER SIGNS IN WRONG PLACE / VOTER LISTED IN E-POLL BOOK AS ALREADY VOTED

- Issue the voter an Affidavit Ballot.
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# ED Table Inspector Job: Serving the Voters (continued)

**8. VOTER CANNOT SIGN BUT MAKES A MARK**

- Issue a Challenge Oath and the voter can make a mark on the oath.
- Issue the voter a scannable ballot.
- If it is a permanent disability, give the voter a new voter registration form.

**9. VOTER IS CHALLENGED**

A voter may be challenged by anyone allowed in the Poll Site.

- Explain to the voter that they may only vote if they sign the "Challenge Oath."
- The Challenge Oath is in the E-Poll Book. Press button on screen for Challenge.
- When Challenge Oath appears on screen, have voter sign on the signature line.

If the voter does not sign the oath, they may not vote but they can seek a Court Order.

**10. VOTER'S AGE IS IN QUESTION**

- The E-Poll Book contains the voter's age. If there is a clear and dramatic difference you should challenge the voter.

**11. VOTER MOVED WITHIN THE SAME ED**

- If the voter has moved within the same ED, use the Voter Information Correction Form in the back of the ED Forms Booklet and fill in the correct information. Issue a scannable Election Day ballot.

**OR**

**VOTER CHANGED NAME**

- If the voter has had a name change, have the voter sign the name that is in the E-Poll Book on the signature line, then sign their new name above that signature. Use the Voter Information Correction Form in the back of the ED Forms Booklet by entering the voter name as it appears in the E-Poll Book in the second column and the new name in the column next to it.

- Voters can now vote a scannable Election Day ballot.

**VOTER INFORMATION CORRECTION FORM**  
FOR ERRORS IN VOTER REGISTRATION RECORDS

Voting Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 HASNO#: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_

REGISTRATION #	VOTER NAME / (Date of Birth)	CORRECTION TO BE MADE (Name/Address)
1.	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____
5.	_____	_____

## ED Table Inspector Job: Serving the Voters (continued)

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### 12. VOTER NEEDS ASSISTANCE OF INTERPRETER

Ask Interpreter for assistance if one is at the site. Tips to follow:

- Talk to the voter not the Interpreter.
- Speak clearly. Use short sentences. Speak slowly, not loudly.
- Pause after each thought is complete.
- Watch that Interpreter is keeping up with you and don't interrupt the Interpreter unless necessary.
- Avoid excessive body gestures or body language.
- If no Interpreter is available, the voter can mark their ballot on the BMD (screen shows required languages) or a bipartisan team of Inspectors speaking the required language can assist.
- Offer a piece of paper and pen for alternate method of communication.

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### 13. VOTER NEEDS ASSISTANCE – OTHER

If a voter requests assistance in marking his/her ballot, it can be provided by:

- Bipartisan team of Poll Site Inspectors
- Poll Site Interpreter
- Any person the voter requests, EXCEPT their employer, union representative, poll watcher or candidate
- Click the Assist Oath box on the E-Poll Book. When the Oath appears on the screen, the assistant must sign the oath prior to the voter receiving a ballot.

**Note: If the voter is assisted by anyone other than a Poll Worker, the Assisted Oath must be sworn to and signed by the person assisting the voter. The Oath is found in the E-Poll Book on the Poll Worker Confirmation Page. Check the Assistance Required Box. A pop up will instruct the person assisting the voter to sign in the box below. Once signed, the Poll Worker presses CONTINUE to complete the voter check-in process.**

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## ED Table Inspector Job: Serving the Voters (continued)

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### 14. VOTER WANTS A NEW SCANNABLE BALLOT

A voter is allowed up to three ballots. Void the first ballot before giving the voter a new one. After three attempts the voter must get a Court Order in order to get another ballot. **Note: If the Poll Worker damages a ballot, mark it “VOID – P” and put it in the Void Ballot Envelope.** This does not count as one of the three ballots the voter is allowed.

- Fold ballot and write “Void” on the back. Mark “V” if reason is voter and “P” if reason is Poll Worker.
- Look up the voter’s name in the E-Poll Book.
  - Click box to void ballot
  - Enter password 1234 to void the ballot
- Give the voter a new ballot.
- Place the Void Ballot in the Void Ballot Envelope.

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### 15. EMERGENCY BALLOTS

There is a box on the E-Poll Book for checking “Emergency Ballot.” This is when ALL Scanners are not working. The Coordinator will tell you when to use these procedures.

- Voter signs the E-Poll Book.
- Check the Emergency Ballot box in the E-Poll Book.
- Give the voter a scannable ballot.

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### 16. SMALLER PARTY PRIMARY

- In an election where only a handful of voters may vote at your ED Table and the privacy of the voter may be compromised, you will receive special instructions.
- Such voters do not put their marked ballot into the Scanner and instead return it to the ED Table in a sealed envelope.

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### 17. ABSENTEE BALLOTS DELIVERED TO THE POLL SITE

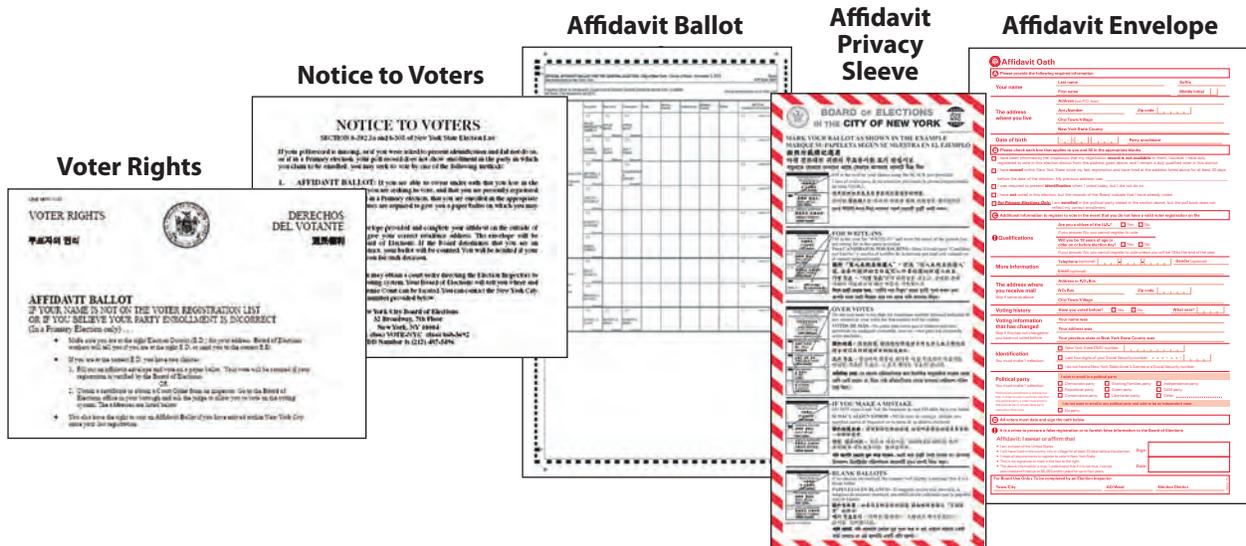
- Absentee Ballots may be accepted at the ED tables.
  - If a voter arrives at the poll site with an Absentee Ballot, a Democratic and Republican Inspector **MUST BOTH INITIAL THE ENVELOPE** and then place it in the Special Ballot/Absentee Ballot Envelope.
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# Using an Affidavit Ballot

Under the Help America Vote Act (HAVA) a voter must be offered an Affidavit Ballot even if the Inspector believes the voter is ineligible to vote in the election or is in the wrong Poll Site. Before issuing an Affidavit Ballot, inform voters that they have the right to obtain a Court Order to allow them to vote on an Election Day ballot.

**Note: Affidavit Ballots are returned inside an Affidavit Ballot Oath Envelope and researched prior to determining eligibility to be counted.** The ballots are in separate shrink wrapped packages and have Affidavit printed on the back of them. They cannot be fed into the Scanners. If an Affidavit voter requests to use the BMD, no extra steps are required as the BMD will accept the Affidavit Ballots.

1. If the voter is listed in the E-Poll Book, **the voter does not sign the E-Poll Book**. The Inspector checks the Affidavit Box. Refer to Special Situations on pages 46–47.
2. Place the following items in the red striped Affidavit Privacy Sleeve and direct the voter to a Privacy Booth or BMD.



3. The voter marks the ballot, completes the information on the envelope, places the ballot in the envelope and seals it, and returns the envelope and empty privacy sleeve to the Inspector.
4. It is your responsibility to complete the Inspector portion of the Affidavit Envelope at the bottom of Section D. Use the laminated card as a guide.
5. All Affidavit voters are to be recorded in the Affidavit Ballot and Court Order Log in the grey transport bag.
6. Place the sealed Affidavit Ballot Envelope in the Large "A" Envelope in your Supply Cart.

All **yellow** highlighted areas must be filled in by the voter.

All **blue** highlighted areas must be filled in by the Inspector.

Section highlighted in **gray** is optional unless voter is registering to vote or changing voter registration information.

**DO NOT GIVE THIS CARD TO THE VOTER.**

**Affidavit Oath**

**A** Please provide the following required information

**Your name**  
Last name **DOE** Suffix  
First name **JOHN** Middle Initial **A**

**The address where you live**  
Address (not P.O. box) **123 ANY STREET**  
Apt. Number **1A** Zip code **00000**  
City/Town/Village **CITY WHERE VOTER LIVES**  
New York State County **BOROUGH WHERE VOTER LIVES**

**Date of birth** **00/00/2025** Party enrollment **POLITICAL PARTY**

**B** Please check each box that applies to you and fill in the appropriate blanks

I have been informed by the inspectors that my registration record is not available to them, however I have duly registered to vote in this election district from the address given above, and I remain a duly qualified voter in this district.

I have moved within New York State since my last registration and have lived at the address listed above for at least 30 days before the date of the election. My previous address was: \_\_\_\_\_

I was required to present identification when I voted today, but I did not do so.

I have not voted in this election, but the records of the Board indicate that I have already voted.

For Primary Elections Only: I am enrolled in the political party stated in the section above, but the poll book does not reflect my correct enrollment.

**C** Additional information to register to vote in the event that you do not have a valid voter registration on file

Are you a citizen of the U.S.?  Yes  No  
If you answer No, you cannot register to vote.

**Qualifications**  
Will you be 18 years of age or older on or before election day?  Yes  No  
If you answer No, you cannot register to vote unless you will be 18 by the end of the year.

**More information**  
Telephone (optional) **555-555-5555** Gender (optional)  
Email (optional) **name@email.com**

**The address where you receive mail**  
Address or P.O. Box **456 ANY STREET 1A**  
P.O. Box **456** Zip code **00000**  
Skip if same as above City/Town/Village **CITY WHERE VOTER LIVES**

**Voting history**  
Have you voted before?  Yes  No What year? \_\_\_\_\_

**Voting information that has changed**  
Your name was **PREVIOUS NAME**  
Your address was **PREVIOUS ADDRESS**  
Skip if this has not changed or you have not voted before Your previous state or New York State County was \_\_\_\_\_

**Identification**  
You must make 1 selection

New York State DMV number \_\_\_\_\_

Last four digits of your Social Security number x x x - x x - \_\_\_\_\_

I do not have a New York State driver's license or a Social Security number.

**Political party**  
You must make 1 selection

I wish to enroll in a political party

Democratic party  Working Families party  Independence party  
 Republican party  Green party  SAM party  
 Conservative party  Libertarian party  Other \_\_\_\_\_

I do not want to enroll in any political party and wish to be an independent voter

No party

**D** All voters must date and sign the oath below

**It is a crime to procure a false registration or to furnish false information to the Board of Elections**

**Affidavit: I swear or affirm that**

- I am a citizen of the United States.
- I will have lived in the county, city or village for at least 30 days before the election.
- I meet all requirements to register to vote in New York State.
- This is my signature or mark in the box to the right.
- The above information is true, I understand that if it is not true, I can be convicted and fined up to \$5,000 and/or jailed for up to four years.

Signature: **John Doe**  
Date: **01/01/0000**

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Town/City **BOROUGH** AD/Ward **AD#** Election District **ED#**

ONE MUST BE CHECKED

COMPLETE ONE

COMPLETE ONE

INSPECTOR MUST COMPLETE

# Example of Affidavit Ballot Envelope filled out correctly.

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## Affidavit Oath

**A Please provide the following required information**

**Your name** Last name Woods Suffix \_\_\_\_\_  
 First name Miranda Middle Initial R

**The address where you live** Address (not P.O. box) 737 East 8 Street  
 Apt. Number 2F Zip code 11218  
 City/Town/Village Brooklyn  
 New York State County Kings

**Date of birth** 01/01/1960 **Party enrollment** Republican

**B Please check each box that applies to you and fill in the appropriate blanks**

I have been informed by the inspectors that my registration **record is not available** to them, however I have duly registered to vote in this election district from the address given above, and I remain a duly qualified voter in this district.

I have **moved** within New York State since my last registration and have lived at the address listed above for at least 30 days before the date of the election. My previous address was: 456 Front St., Brooklyn, NY 11218

I was required to present **identification** when I voted today, but I did not do so.

I have **not** voted in this election, but the records of the Board indicate that I have already voted.

**For Primary Elections Only:** I am **enrolled** in the political party stated in the section above, but the poll book does not reflect my correct enrollment.

**C Additional information to register to vote in the event that you do not have a valid voter registration on file**

**Are you a citizen of the U.S.?**  Yes  No  
 If you answer *No*, you cannot register to vote.

**Qualifications** **Will you be 18 years of age or older on or before election day?**  Yes  No  
 If you answer *No*, you cannot register to vote unless you will be 18 by the end of the year.

**More information** Telephone (optional) 718-999-9999 Gender (optional) Female  
 Email (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

**The address where you receive mail** Address or P.O. Box \_\_\_\_\_  
 P.O. Box \_\_\_\_\_ Zip code \_\_\_\_\_  
 Skip if same as above City/Town/Village \_\_\_\_\_

**Voting history** Have you voted before?  Yes  No What year? 2014

**Voting information that has changed** Your name was \_\_\_\_\_  
 Your address was 456 Front Street  
 Skip if this has not changed or you have not voted before Your previous state or New York State County was \_\_\_\_\_

**Identification** You must make 1 selection  
 New York State DMV number \_\_\_\_\_  
 Last four digits of your Social Security number x x x - x x - 0001  
 I do not have a New York State driver's license or a Social Security number.

**Political party** You must make 1 selection  
 Political party enrollment is optional but that, in order to vote in a primary election of a political party, a voter must enroll in that political party, unless state party rules allow otherwise.  
 I wish to enroll in a political party  
 Democratic party  Working Families party  Independence party  
 Republican party  Green party  SAM party  
 Conservative party  Libertarian party  Other \_\_\_\_\_  
 I do not want to enroll in any political party and wish to be an independent voter  
 No party

**D All voters must date and sign the oath below**

**It is a crime to procure a false registration or to furnish false information to the Board of Elections**

**Affidavit: I swear or affirm that**

- I am a citizen of the United States.
- I will have lived in the county, city or village for at least 30 days before the election.
- I meet all requirements to register to vote in New York State.
- This is my signature or mark in the box to the right.
- The above information is true, I understand that if it is not true, I can be convicted and fined up to \$5,000 and/or jailed for up to four years.

Sign Miranda Woods  
 Date September 10, 2015

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Town/City Brooklyn AD/Ward 44 Election District 29

## Section A

Be certain the following is filled in:

- Name
- Address
- Date of Birth
- Party Enrollment



### Affidavit Oath

**A** Please provide the following required information

<b>Your name</b>	Last name	Woods	Suffix
	First name	Miranda	Middle Initial
		R	
<b>The address where you live</b>	Address (not P.O. box)	737 East 8 Street	
	Apt. Number	2F	
	City/Town/Village	Brooklyn	
	New York State County	Kings	
<b>Date of birth</b>		01/01/1960	Party enrollment
			Republican

## Section B

### One box must be checked.

- If further information is needed next to that box, all information must be filled in.

**B** Please check each box that applies to you and fill in the appropriate blanks

I have been informed by the inspectors that my registration **record is not available** to them, however I have duly registered to vote in this election district from the address given above, and I remain a duly qualified voter in this district.

I have **moved** within New York State since my last registration and have lived at the address listed above for at least 30 days before the date of the election. My previous address was: 456 Front St., Brooklyn, NY 11218

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# Section C

This section is optional unless the voter is registering to vote or changing their voter registration information.

**C** Additional information to register to vote in the event that you do not have a valid voter registration on file

Are you a citizen of the U.S.?  Yes  No

If you answer No, you cannot register to vote.

Will you be 18 years of age or older on or before election day?  Yes  No

If you answer No, you cannot register to vote unless you will be 18 by the end of the year.

Telephone (optional) **718-999-9999** Gender (optional) **Female**  
 Email (optional)

**The address where you receive mail**  
 Skip if same as above

Address or P.O. Box \_\_\_\_\_ Zip code \_\_\_\_\_  
 City/Town/Village \_\_\_\_\_

Have you voted before?  Yes  No What year? **2014**

Your name was \_\_\_\_\_

Your address was **456 Front Street**

Your previous state or New York State County was \_\_\_\_\_

New York State DMV number \_\_\_\_\_  
 Last four digits of your Social Security number **x x x - x - 0001**

I do not have a New York State driver's license or a Social Security number.

**Identification**  
 You must make 1 selection

**Political party**  
 You must make 1 selection

- I wish to enroll in a political party**
- Democratic party
  - Republican party
  - Conservative party
  - Working Families party
  - Green party
  - Libertarian party
  - Independence party
  - SAM party
  - Other -----

**I do not want to enroll in any political party and wish to be an independent voter**

No party

Political party enrollment is optional but that, in order to vote in a primary election of a political party, a voter must enroll in that political party, unless state party rules allow otherwise.

## Section D

### Be certain that voter has signed and dated the envelope.

- Inspector must fill in city, AD and Election District.

**D** All voters must date and sign the oath below

**I** It is a crime to procure a false registration or to furnish false information to the Board of Elections

#### Affidavit: I swear or affirm that

- I am a citizen of the United States.
- I will have lived in the county, city or village for at least 30 days before the election.
- I meet all requirements to register to vote in New York State.
- This is my signature or mark in the box to the right.
- The above information is true, I understand that if it is not true, I can be convicted and fined up to \$5,000 and/or jailed for up to four years.

<i>Miranda Woods</i>	Sign
September 10, 2015	Date

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Town/City **Brooklyn**

AD/Ward **44**

Election District **29**

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# Voting with a Court Order

If a voter chooses not to use an Affidavit Ballot, they have the option of getting a Court Order to vote a scannable ballot.

## Issuing a Court Order Certificate:

- Offer the voter a Certificate to Request a Court Order.
- Inspector must fill out the Certificate for the voter and direct the voter to the Borough Office or additional location where a judge may be available. **Note: Court Order is filled out in duplicate. Carbon copy remains in Court Order Book and original is given to the voter.**
- Both Inspectors must sign – one from each party.
- If the voter refuses both an Affidavit Ballot and a Court Order, there is no other option available for the person to vote.

## Receiving a Court Order:

- If the voter returns with a Court Order and **is in the E-Poll Book**, complete as usual but check “Court Order” and note the reason in Remarks column in the Court Order Log located in the Grey Transport Bag.
- If the voter returns with a Court Order and **is not in the E-Poll Book**, complete the Court Order Log which is found in the grey transport bag, then place the Court Order in the grey transport bag.
- Issue a regular scannable ballot and enter into the Court Order Log found in the grey transport bag.
- Ensure that voter writes their name and Voter Serial Number (VSN – if any) on the top page of the Court Order.

## Affidavit Ballot and Court Order Logs

(see images on continuing pages)

# Affidavit Ballot and Court Order Logs

## CHALLENGE REPORT

### SECTION (VI-A) PEOPLE VOTING BY AFFIDAVIT BALLOT

SEE ELECTION LAW SECTIONS 8-302 (3) (F), 8-508 (2) (h)

REGISTRANT	ADDRESS	VSN	CHECK APPROPRIATE COLUMN		ISSUED BALLOTS			REMARKS
			Affidavit Ballot	Challenge Oaths	#1	#2	#3	
Affie Davitz	988 Coney Island Ave		✓					Name not in book
Miranda Woods	737 East 8 Street 2F		✓					Name not in book Moved within NYC
Ming Fong	689 Foster Ave. 3FL	300521718	✓					Signature missing
ALTAGRACIA GARCIA	298 Newkirk Avenue	300493234	✓					Claims wrong party
Eric Henry	687 Avenue H BSMT	300214321	✓					No ID
Harry HAVA	760 East 8 Street		✓					Wrong site/Voter insisted
Zakir Kahn	707 East 8 Street	300233714		✓				Signature didn't match Signed challenge oath
Rachel Lebowitz	1036 Coney Island Ave Apt 6B	300521718		✓				Dramatic age difference Signed challenge oath



# BMD/Privacy Booth Inspector Job: Serving the Voters

BMD/Privacy Booth Inspectors play a critical role by allowing voters with disabilities to vote unassisted. However, **ANY** voter may choose to use the BMD. The BMD is a device that serves many needs and it is your job to be familiar with the features and be able to assist voters to use this machine. The following pages show ways to use the BMD.

- **Note: anyone can use the ADA Privacy Booth and Poll Workers should not be attempting to diagnosis disabilities. If someone has an obvious disability and there is a line at the ADA booth, they should be moved to the front of the line.**

You can help those not using the BMD by directing them to an empty Privacy Booth and ensuring that each booth is properly supplied. A voter is not required to use the Privacy Booth as long as they do not disrupt other voters.

IF THE SITE IS BUSY AND VOTERS ARE WAITING IN LINE FOR A BOOTH – a bipartisan team of Inspectors may approach a voter after five minutes to offer assistance. If a voter has problems reading the ballot, remind them that they can use the magnifying sheet as well as the BMD to enlarge the font.

1. You should stand in a position that allows you to direct voters from all ED Tables to an empty Privacy Booth.
2. If the voter wishes to use the BMD, connect any accessories as needed. If the voter chooses to black out the screen, have them press the blue diamond button to provide privacy. Do your best to provide assistance without viewing how the voter is voting. **Note: A voter may use his/her own device (accessory) and you should point out the plug in port.**
3. If voters request assistance while using the BMD or a Privacy Booth, that assistance is to be provided by a bipartisan team – one Democrat and one Republican. Or, the voter may choose anyone (including interpreters), except their union representative, employer, Poll Watchers or candidates.
4. If the voter has an obvious physical disability and is not using the BMD, offer to direct the voter to the Accessible Privacy Booth.
  - Do not force the voter to move into different place to cast their ballot.
5. When the voter has finished marking his/her ballot, look at the privacy sleeve.
  - If the privacy sleeve has a black stripe, direct the voter to the Scanner.
  - Regular ballots => Scanner area
  - If the privacy sleeve has a red stripe, direct the voter to the ED Table

**Note: A red striped privacy sleeve is for Affidavit Ballots which do not get scanned.**

An Affidavit Ballot voter also receives an Affidavit Ballot Envelope inside the red striped privacy sleeve, and they must return the ballot, envelope and privacy sleeve to the ED/AD Table that issued the Affidavit Ballot.

# BMD/Privacy Booth Inspector Job: Serving the Voters

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However, if a scannable (Election Day) ballot is mistakenly given out in a red striped privacy sleeve, that voter is to be directed to the Scanner.

6. If a voter has a problem and needs another ballot, direct the voter back to the ED Table. Voters are allowed up to 3 ballots and after that they must get a Court Order to receive another one. **If a ballot is spoiled by a Poll Worker, it does not count towards the three ballots.**
7. The voter will go to any available Privacy Booth, ADA Privacy Booth, or a Ballot Marking Device (BMD) to mark their ballot.
  - Remove any signs of electioneering – put in trash.
  - If any ballots, Affidavit Envelopes, or privacy sleeves are in the booth, take them to the ED Table. Ballots will be voided. You will find the ED number on the lower back side of the ballot under the style number.
  - Be sure lights are working – if not tell the Coordinator.
  - Be sure that pens and magnifying sheets are in each Privacy Booth and replace if needed. ED Tables or Coordinator should have extra pens.
8. During the day, inspect all Privacy Booths:

## Reasons to Use the BMD:

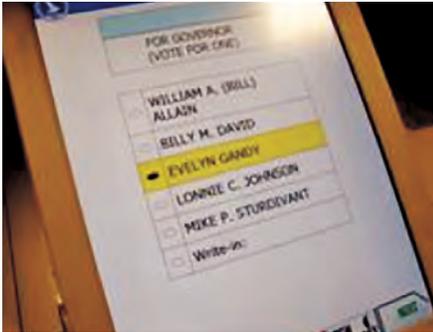
## How the BMD Helps:

Voter wants to see a ballot with larger type	The ballot shows on the screen in larger font.
Voter is unable to mark ballot with a pen	Choices can be made using either the touchscreen or keypad.
Voter wants to see the ballot in a different language or an Interpreter is unavailable	The ballot appears in any language mandated for the Poll Site.
Voter has visual disabilities	Headphones allow voter to listen to the ballot and mark it using a keypad.
Voter has mobility disabilities	Accessories such as Sip & Puff and Rocker Paddle assist in marking the ballot.
Voter needs language assistance	Interpreter may accompany voter to BMD.

# BMD/Privacy Booth Inspector Job: Serving the Voters

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## Ways to use the BMD and Accessories:



### Touchscreen

Make selections and move through the ballot by touching the screen or using the stylus.

### Keypad

Make selections by using the key pad:



- Up/down to move through the current screen
- Back/forward to move from one contest screen to the next
- Select what is "highlighted" Make adjustments:
- Turn screen on/off (diamond) for added privacy
- Repeat the audio
- Adjust the speed of audio
- Adjust the volume of audio



### Front Plug In for All Devices

Used to plug in all devices.

**Note: The Sip & Puff and Rocker Paddle use the same port so they cannot be plugged in at the same time.**



### Headset

When plugged into the front of the BMD, a synthesized voice reads the ballot instructions and ballot to you. You can adjust the volume on the keypad.

You can then make choices using the touchscreen, keypad, or Sip & Puff and Rocker Paddle

# BMD/Privacy Booth Inspector Job: Serving the Voters

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## Ways to use the BMD and Accessories:



### Sip & Puff

**Puff** when:

- Selecting and marking a screen
- Choosing the highlighted selection on the screen
- Wanting to advance to the next contest
- “NEXT” button appears and you want to move to the next contest

**Sip** when:

- Wanting to advance a screen
- Wanting to skip to next screen
- Wanting to scroll to “NEXT” button

The instruction must be attached in each BMD.



### Rocker Paddles

Using only yes/no you can move through all screens and make choices. You must press Yes to activate any screen.

- Press Yes to choose a highlighted selection and NO to move to the next selection.
- Press NO to skip a contest without casting a vote.
- After voting on a contest, you can use NO to scroll to “NEXT”.
- Pressing Yes on “NEXT” will move to the next contest (screen).
- The Rocker Paddle may be used by hands or feet and with or without the audio headphones.



### Stylus

- Voters may choose to use the stylus to mark their ballot on the touch screen.

# BMD/Privacy Booth Inspector Job: Serving the Voters

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## Troubleshooting / Special Situations

<b>No key to open the BMD cart or device</b>	<b>Ask the Coordinator to contact the Borough Office and wait for a technician.</b>
<b>No green light when powered on</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Check the power cord and extension cord connections.</li><li>• Check the outlet to see if it has power by plugging in something else.</li><li>• If outlet is not working, try moving the cord to the closest working outlet, being careful to keep a 3 foot clear path of travel and 5 by 5 foot clearance in front of the BMD's opened doors for the voter.</li></ul>
<b>Preserving the voter's privacy while troubleshooting</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ask the voter to press the top right diamond button on the keypad to turn off the screen while a Poll Worker is troubleshooting.</li><li>• You can also use this button to turn off the screen when approaching the BMD from behind.</li></ul>
<b>Paper jam</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Bipartisan team of inspectors will insert gold key and turn to "test."</li></ul>
<b>Expired voter session with ballot still in the machine</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Press "Eject Ballot." The ballot will be returned, unmarked.</li><li>• Turn key back to "on" position.</li></ul>
<b>Voter abandons ballot</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Determine if ballot has been damaged – try inspecting ballot from the back so as not to see how the voter voted.</li><li>• If ballot is okay, allow the voter to reinsert and continue voting.</li><li>• If damaged, voter must return the damaged ballot to the ED Table, where it is voided and a new ballot issued.</li><li>• If the voter has left the site, take the ballot to the ED Table.</li></ul>
<b>BMD not accepting a ballot</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Have voter try inserting the ballot in a different direction.</li><li>• Have voter try re-feeding the ballot, being careful to insert it as straight as possible.</li><li>• Check the ballot to be sure there is no damage. If damaged, the voter must return the damaged ballot to the ED Table, where it is voided and a new ballot issued.</li></ul>

# BMD/Privacy Booth Inspector Job: Serving the Voters

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**BMD breaks down**

If this happens and you are not able to fix the problem, tell the Coordinator. The voter has three options if this happens:

- Wait until BMD is repaired.
- Return to Poll Site later after repair is completed.
- Vote with assistance from a bipartisan team of Inspectors.

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**For further assistance**

Call the emergency breakdown number on the side of the BMD.

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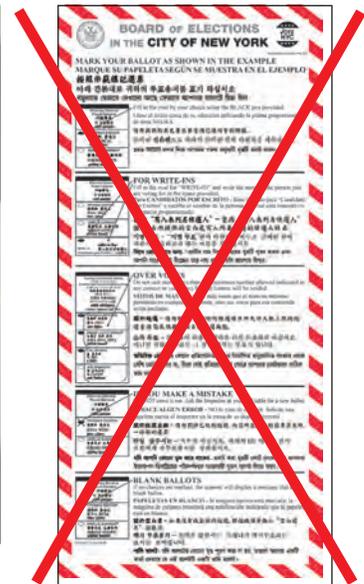
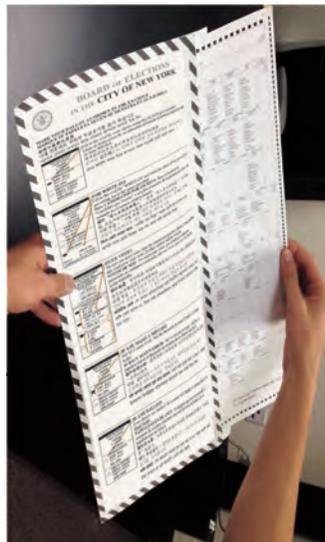
# Scanner Inspector Job: Serving the Voters

Voters approach the Scanners and wait in line at the “Wait Here for Scanner” sign. When a Scanner is available, direct the voter to the next available Scanner. When finished scanning the ballot, the voter returns the privacy sleeve to the Scanner Inspector. Provide assistance if requested and help resolve Scanner problems.

1. **STAND 5 FEET FROM THE SCANNER** to make sure voters have privacy when scanning their ballots.
2. Do not look at the voter’s ballot. The ballot should be in a **black** striped privacy sleeve.
3. If a voter approaches with a **red** striped privacy sleeve, it may be an Affidavit Ballot and they are not to be scanned. Ask if the voter has an Affidavit Ballot Envelope and if so, direct them back to the ED Table. If not, allow voter to scan the ballot. **Note: Affidavit Ballots will be rejected by the Scanner.**



4. Remind the voter to remove the ballot from the sleeve and that the ballot can go into the Scanner in any direction.
5. Avoid looking at or touching the voter’s ballot. Offer verbal assistance. If the voter has a problem, look directly at the screen, not the ballot. Assistance is to be provided by a bipartisan team.
6. When the voter is finished scanning his/her ballot, they should return the privacy sleeve to you.
7. When you have a few privacy sleeves, return them to the ED Tables.



## Scanner Inspector Job: Serving the Voters (continued)

### Scanner Troubleshooting and Special Situations:

<b>Key(s) missing</b>	Borrow key from another Scanner and tell the Coordinator.
<b>Power problems</b>	<p>Check all power cords, including extension cords and connections.</p> <p>Check the outlet on the wall and if needed move to another outlet. Do not use the BMD extension cords for the Scanners. If there is still a problem, report it to the Coordinator.</p>
<b>Scanner turns black</b>	Scanner screen may turn black if scanner is not used for an extended period of time. Touch the screen. If it does not come back on, follow the instructions for power problems.
<b>Scanner jams</b>	<p>Report it to the Coordinator.</p> <p>Direct voters to another Scanner until a technician arrives to fix the Scanner.</p>
<b>Scanner breaks down (Coordinator has complete procedures for broken Scanner replacement)</b>	Direct voters to the next available working Scanner, and tell the Coordinator to report the problem. Wait for the technician to come and fix the problem.
<b>Tape shows pink color</b>	Tape is running out. See instructions on page 69.
<b>Reports are printing but no text is visible or tape not moving</b>	The paper roll is not put in correctly. See instructions at end of Troubleshooting pages.

# Scanner Inspector Job: Serving the Voters (continued)

## Troubleshooting – changing the paper roll



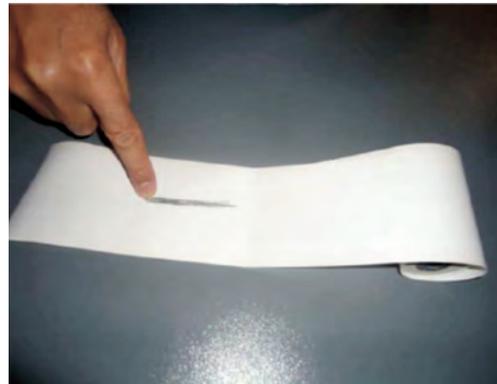
**1.** Break the yellow seal and open PMD Compartment Door (Location #1) with barrel key from Scanner Police Envelope.



**2.** Click the blue latch to lift up the paper compartment door.



**3.** Remove the paper roll from the compartment (pink shows when paper is running low).



**4.** Get new paper roll from the side of the Scanner and scratch the paper to see which side makes a mark.



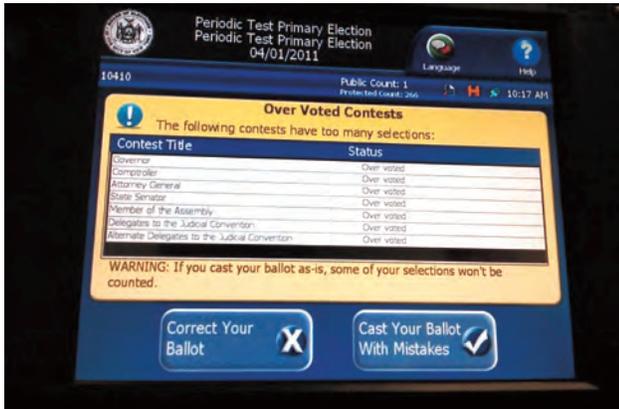
**5.** Put the new paper roll (side with scratch mark) down.



**6.** Close the paper compartment door and turn the key to lock. Do not place a new seal on door.

# Scanner Inspector Job: Serving the Voters (continued)

## Over vote screen appears



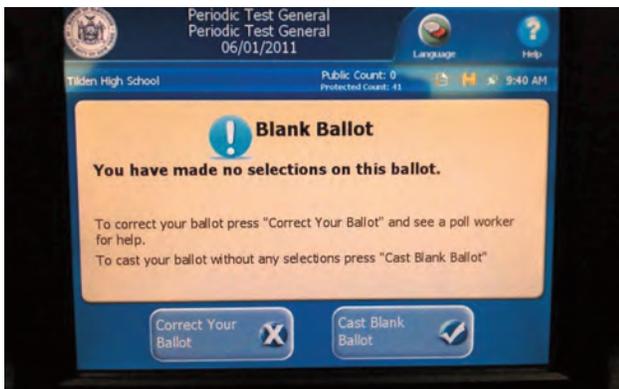
An over vote happens when a voter marks the ballot for more candidates in a race than the number of vacancies to be filled or the candidate is running in more than one party.

The voter has the choice to either:

Cast the ballot they have – tell them that the over voted contest will not be counted, OR

Remove the ballot, take it back to the ED Table and get a new ballot.

## Blank Ballot screen appears



This screen appears when a voter's marks on a ballot cannot be read by the Scanner or the voter does not make a mark. The voter has the choice to either cast the ballot they have or remove it and remark the blank ballot.

## Voter wants to change his/her choice on the ballot BEFORE it is scanned

Voter must return ballot to the ED Table and get a new one.

## Ballot is not scanning

Check to be sure it is not folded or a piece of the ballot torn off. If folded or bent ask voter to straighten it out. If torn, voter should return to the ED Table to get a new ballot.

## Voter's ballot cannot be scanned and voter refuses to get a new ballot OR Voter abandons a ballot at the Scanner

A bipartisan team of Inspectors should attempt to scan the ballot. If it cannot be scanned, put it in the Emergency slot until the end of the day.

Tell the Coordinator.

# Scanner Inspector Job: Serving the Voters (continued)

<b>All Scanners break down</b>	<p>Notify the Coordinator immediately, who will call the Borough Office.</p> <p><b>WAIT for the Coordinator to tell you to begin Emergency Procedures. THEN:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. Break the yellow seal on the Emergency Ballot Box at Scanner A, Location #3, and open door.</li><li>b. Put the metal flap down and close the Emergency Ballot Box door.</li><li>c. Reseal the door with a yellow plastic numbered seal from the Police Envelope.</li><li>d. Direct all voters to place their ballots in the Emergency Ballot Box of Scanner A. If Scanner A becomes full, prepare and use Scanner B following the same procedures.</li><li>e. At the close of polls, if Scanners have been fixed, ALL Emergency Ballots must be scanned into Scanner A. If they have not been fixed, the Coordinator will collect and distribute the Emergency Ballots to the ED Tables for tally.</li></ol>
<b>Who to call for help</b>	Coordinator – The number to call for breakdowns is on the side of each Scanner.

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# BMD/Privacy Booth Inspector Job: Closing the Poll Site

**Polls close at 9:00 p.m. However, any voter in line by 9:00 p.m. is still entitled to vote.**

Do not begin any closing activities until the polls close and the last voter has voted.

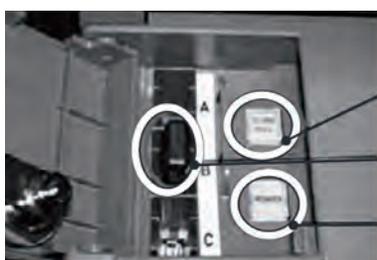
1. Close down Privacy Booths. **Turn off lights.** Unlock the wheels and stack the booths in an area designated by the Coordinator.
2. Close down the BMD following the steps below or use the laminated card.
3. Retrieve the BMD Police Envelope from the back of the BMD Cart and remove the keys.
4. Use the gold key to turn the BMD to the off position.
5. Close the touchscreen, ballot tray, and cart top (reverse of what you did in morning).
6. Use the silver key to open the back of the BMD Cart. Replace all accessories in the Ziploc bag. Place this bag and miscellaneous supplies in the same BMD Supply Package in which they were received and put back inside the cart.
7. Unplug the power cord from the extension cord. Put the extension cord inside the cart and pull the machine power cord back inside the two holes. Fold the black mat and place inside the cart.
8. Lock the back and front doors using the silver key from the BMD Key Envelope. Put the keys back in the BMD Police Envelope.
9. Remove two red seals from the BMD Police Envelope and use them to seal the cart at the front and back. No need to mark seals report.
10. Put the laminated instruction card back on the BMD and cover the BMD with the clear plastic cover that was stored in the bottom of the BMD cart.
11. Make sure the BMD Police Envelope contains the keys and Seals Report and return it to the Coordinator.
12. Go to the ED Table where you signed in and sign the Time Sheet. Put your Notice to Work inside the Notice to Work Envelope if you have not already done so.
13. Assist with other closing tasks as requested by the Coordinator.
14. DO NOT LEAVE THE POLL SITE UNTIL DISMISSED BY THE COORDINATOR.

# Scanner Inspector Job: Closing the Poll Site

**Polls close at 9:00 p.m. However, any voter in line by 9:00 p.m. is still entitled to vote.**

Before closing the Scanners, be sure that ALL voters have finished voting and scanned their ballot. Remove closing card from side of Scanner and follow instructions.

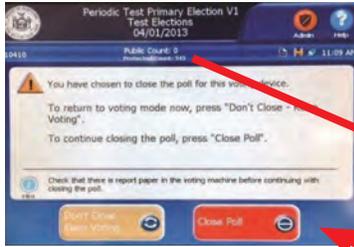
1. Remove the privacy panels and set aside.
2. Break the yellow seal on the Emergency Ballot Box (location #3) and put it in the Scanner Police Envelope. Remove any ballots. **Note: If there are any ballots, contact the Coordinator.**
  - **If no ballots**, find the red plastic numbered seal in the envelope that matches the one listed on the Seals Report for this location. Initial the report and re-seal the Emergency Ballot Box with the red seal.
  - **If there are ballots – STOP.** Sort the ballots by ED and use the Scanner Emergency Ballot Reconciliation Sheet in the Scanner Booklet to record the number of ballots by ED/AD. Scan the ballots at Scanner A. If an error message appears, write the Scanner letter on the ballot. Give these ballots to the ED Table for a manual tally (using the Unscannable Emergency Ballots page in the Forms Booklet). **Note: If no scanners have been fixed, all ballots will be hand tallied.**
  - **If all Scanners have broken down** and emergency ballot procedures used, the ballots are considered emergency ballots. Sort the ballots by ED and use the Scanner Emergency Ballot Reconciliation Sheet in the Scanner Booklet to record the number of ballots by ED/AD. Scan the ballots at Scanner A. If an error message appears, write Scanner letter on ballot. Give these ballots to the ED Table for a manual tally. **Note: If no Scanners have been fixed, all ballots will be hand tallied.**
3. Remove black barrel key from the Scanner Police Envelope in back of Scanner. Remove the yellow paper seal from the PMD compartment door (location #1) and unlock the door.
4. Press CLOSE POLL button. Afterwards the “CLOSING POLL” screen appears. **Caution: DO NOT press the POWER button and DO NOT remove the PMD.**



CLOSE POLL Button  
PMD (Portable Memory Device)  
POWER Button

# Scanner Inspector Job: Closing the Poll Site (continued)

5. Enter the PUBLIC COUNT and PROTECTED COUNT displayed at the top of the screen on the Public/Protected Count Work Sheet in the Scanner Booklet.



6. Touch the SCREEN where it says "Close Poll."
7. When the "Voting Results Report" screen appears and it says "Safe to Remove Election Media" you can remove the PMD. This can be done while tape is printing.



At this time, hand the PMD to the Coordinator to upload the results into the tablet. After this is done, the Coordinator will give the PMD back to you. Continue with the next step.

8. Place the PMD inside the pink Ziploc bag that was in the Small Yellow Pouch. Seal the bag with a white paper seal. If seal is not in your Police Envelope get one from any ED Table. Both Scanner Inspectors sign the seal.



9. Put the Ziploc bag into the Small Yellow Scanner Pouch (which already contains the Zero Report Tape from the morning).



10. Take the Scanner Booklet and the small yellow pouch, along with one yellow 2-pronged seal from the Scanner Police Envelope, to the Coordinator.

**Note: Scanner A will have two yellow 2-pronged seals.**

The Coordinator will check the contents and mark the Scanner Receipt in the booklet. Take the booklet back to the Scanner.



11. The Scanner will print out TWO Results Reports Tapes. Separate the tapes at the stars. Label both tapes with the identifying Scanner letter from the front of the Scanner. Both Inspectors must sign both Results Reports Tapes.

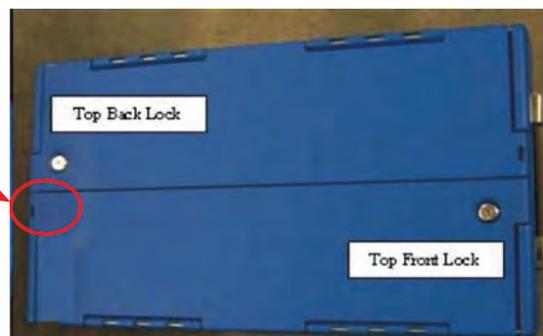
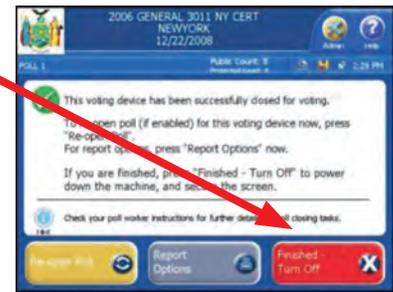
12. Results Report Tape #1 – This is the ONLY tape showing **style numbers** needed by ED Inspectors to complete the Return of Canvass. Post this first tape on the wall closest to the ED Tables. This tape is also the one the Coordinator will attach to the Return of Canvass forms from ED Tables.



13. Results Report Tape #2 – Post this tape on the wall under the "Do Not Tamper" sign. This tape is for Poll Watchers. It is also the tape the Coordinator will remove later and return in the 2nd Results Tape envelope.

## Scanner Inspector Job: Closing the Poll Site (continued)

14. When finished, press the red FINISHED – TURN OFF button and wait for the Scanner to automatically power off.
15. Ensure the power button light turns off then close and lock the PMD compartment door (Location #1 on Scanner) with black barrel key – no seal needed.
16. Break the yellow plastic numbered seal on the ballot box door (Location #2 on Scanner) and unlock the box with the silver key. Close the lids/flaps before removing the Ballot Bin Liner case.
17. Once the Ballot Bin Liner case has been removed, check inside the Scanner for any ballots. If there are any ballots, a bipartisan team will put them back in the liner case.
18. Close the Ballot Bin Liner case and lock both locks with the silver key. Seal one of the locks with the red plastic numbered seal from the Scanner Police Envelope. Be sure it is the seal shown on the Seals Report for this purpose. Initial the report.



19. Close the Scanner screen and lock the screen with the black barrel key. If there is no seal on the release lock, attach a red plastic numbered seal as shown on the Seals Report and then initial the report.
20. Close the Scanner lid, latch and lock the lid with the silver key. Seal the lid with the red plastic numbered seal shown on the Seals Report for this purpose then initial report.
21. Lock the Ballot Box Door (Location #2) and seal with the red plastic numbered seal shown on the Seals Report for this purpose then initial report.
22. Unplug the Scanner, wrap the cord and return it to the back compartment. Lock the compartment with the silver key.
23. Place keys in the Scanner Key Envelope and replace plastic cover on the Scanner.

# Scanner Inspector Job: Closing the Poll Site (continued)

24. Sign the closing portion of the Scanner Inspectors Certification found in the Scanner Booklet. Both Scanner Inspectors must sign. Fill in the top portion of the Scanner Inspector's Receipt in the Booklet.

25. Take the following items to the Coordinator:

- Completed Scanner Booklet
- Ballot Bin Liner Case
- Scanner Police Envelope (Seals Report, keys, used seals included)

**SCANNER INSPECTORS CERTIFICATION**

Election date pre-printed: \_\_\_\_\_ Scanner Letter: \_\_\_\_\_

Poll Site name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Poll Site #: \_\_\_\_\_

**OPENING:**

We the undersigned, do certify that the following is true:

- Statements on Scanner Seals Report and Public/Protected Count Worksheets;
- Scanner keys were delivered to us in a secure envelope;
- Scanner was inspected by all Scanner Inspectors present at opening;
- Scanner serial number provided on the key envelope was confirmed;
- Scanner was locked and sealed and all seals matched those reported on the Seals Report and if not, the Borough Office was notified;
- Scanner keys were removed in the presence of one Democrat and one Republican;
- The zero tape was reviewed to confirm all races had zero counts and then placed in the yellow pouch.

**SCANNER INSPECTOR RECEIPT**

Election date pre-printed: \_\_\_\_\_ Scanner Letter: \_\_\_\_\_

Poll Site Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Poll Site #: \_\_\_\_\_

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Scanner Inspector fills in the top portion of this receipt;
- The Scanner Inspector makes two deliveries to the Coordinator who inspects after delivery of each item and signs after the second delivery;
- Scanner Inspector then removes this receipt from the Scanner Forms Booklet and places it in proof of delivery of these items.

The Coordinator certifies receipt of the following items from the Scanner Inspector:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Small yellow pouch containing sealed PMD and PMD Report - Delivery #1.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Scanner Forms Booklet and Scanner Police Envelope - Delivery #2.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Ballot Bin Liner Case - Delivery #2.

Signature of Coordinator: \_\_\_\_\_ Poll Worker #: \_\_\_\_\_

Scanner Inspector Documents

**BOARD OF ELECTIONS IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK**

**SCANNER BOOKLET**

ELECTION DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Poll Site Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Poll Site #: \_\_\_\_\_

SCANNER LETTER

**CONTENTS:**

- VERIFICATION OF SCANNER SEALS
- PUBLIC/PROTECTED COUNT WORK SHEET
- SCANNER EMERGENCY BALLOT RECONCILIATION SHEET
- SCANNER INSPECTORS CERTIFICATION
- SCANNER INSPECTOR RECEIPT

THIS BOOKLET IS RETURNED TO THE COORDINATOR AT THE CLOSE OF POLLS



Blue Ballot Bin Liner

**BOARD OF ELECTIONS IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK**

**SCANNER POLICE ENVELOPE FOR THE SCANNER**

Unit #: \_\_\_\_\_

County: \_\_\_\_\_

Letter: A B C D E F G H I J K L (Circle 1)

Scanner Inspector confirms that the following items have been received in this Envelope:

- Seals Report
- Three (3) Yellow Numbered Plastic Seals for the Seals Report
- Four (4) Red Numbered Plastic Seals for the Seals Report, Tool Kit and Ballot Bin Liner Case
- One (1) Two-Piece Yellow Numbered Plastic Seal for the Small Yellow Scanner Booklet
- Card giving the Ballot Security Code for unlocking the Scanner
- Card giving the phone number if the Scanner breaks down
- One (1) pair of Gloves for casting Seals
- Scanner Key Envelope
- Special Instructions (if any)

Use Scanner # 006 if (if there are a few additional seals)

- One (1) Two-Piece Yellow Numbered Plastic Seal for the Yellow Large Scanner Keying Penetration Bag
- Two (2) Two-Piece Blue Numbered Plastic Seals for the Unused Ballot Return Bag(s)

Give the completed Scanner Police Envelope receipt to the Police Officer. The receipt is attached to the back of this envelope.

**READ AND FOLLOW ANY SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS**

Scanner Police Envelope

26. The **Coordinator** will sign for receipt of the Ballot Bin Liner Case, Scanner Booklet, Scanner Police Envelope and the Yellow Pouch from earlier in the closing. The **Scanner Inspector** detaches the receipt form from the Scanner Booklet and keeps it for his/her records. **Note: The second Inspector may take a picture of the receipt if he/she wants a copy.**

27. Return to the Scanner and pack up any remaining supplies that were listed on the Scanner Supply Envelope.

28. Pack the "Wait Here" sign in the black canvas bag.

29. Put the Scanner Closing card back in the sleeve on outside of the Scanner.

## Scanner Inspector Job: Closing the Poll Site (continued)

30. Take the following items back to the lowest ED of the lowest AD Supply Cart where you found them in the morning:

- Scanner Supply Envelope
- Extension cord
- Privacy panels
- "Wait Here" sign



31. The Coordinator may ask you to help with additional tasks.
32. Go to the ED Table where you signed in to sign the Time Sheet. **Be sure you have signed the Time Sheet.**
33. **DO NOT LEAVE THE POLL SITE UNTIL DISMISSED BY THE COORDINATOR.**



ED Supply Cart

# ED Table Inspector Job: Closing the Poll Site

**Polls close at 9:00 p.m. However, any voter in line by 9:00 p.m. is still entitled to vote.**

1. Just before 9:00 p.m. make sure you have the following items ready at, or near, your ED Table:

**ENVELOPES**

- Void Ballot Envelope
- Valid Emergency Ballots
- Poll Worker Special Ballot and Absentee Ballot Envelope
- Partially Used Ballot Packages
- Affidavit Ballots Only (Large "A")
- ED Police (contains seals)
- Excess Emergency Ballots

**OTHER**

- ED Forms Booklet
- Return of Canvass Forms
- Ballot Transmittal Sheet
- Orange ED Return Bag
- Grey Transport Bag
- Pad of white paper seals – fill in and sign before using

2. Complete the Ballot Transmittal Sheet AFTER the last voter has voted.

**Queens – see pages 92–94 of appendix for special instructions.**

KINGS		AD 41 – ED 80		
General Election - May 5th, 2015		Total Ballots: <u>100</u>		
		Total Ballots per Package: <u>25</u>		
		Total Packages: <u>4</u>		
Initial as packages are opened	Package	Ballots	Amount of ballots used <b>Step 1</b>	✓ = all used from pkg. 0 = none used from pkg.
DE	1		25	<b>Step 2</b> ✓
DE	2		25	✓
DE	3		15	
	4		0	<b>Step 3</b> 0
<b>Total Number of Ballots used</b>			<b>Step 4</b> 65	

**Step 1** Fill in number of ballots used from each package.

**Step 2** Put a check mark for any package completely used.

**Step 3** Put a "0" for any package not used.

**Step 4** Add up the total number of ballots used.

**Note: Subtract the number of ballots used from the total received to get the number of unused ballots needed for the Return of Canvass forms later. In this example that number is 35.**

# ED Table Inspector Job: Closing the Poll Site (continued)

- When finished, sign and put Ballot Transmittal Form in the Grey Transport Bag. Put ALL shrink-wrapped unused scannable ballots and ALL unused Affidavit Ballots in the ED Supply Cart.
  - Note: Packages of scannable ballots with any ballots removed go into the Partially Used Ballot Envelope.**
3. **Complete the Return of Canvass** forms (2 copies) from the Grey Transport Bag. You are accounting for scannable ballots only. All party ballots are on the same Return of Canvass Form. **Note: You must repeat the same figures on both forms.**

Attach Results Tapes Here

## RETURN OF CANVASS

September 8, 2015

Primary Election  
 Election District 10 Assembly District 72 Poll Site Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Borough: Manhattan

### Ballot Reconciliation

Section 1 Ballots Cast By Scanners				Section 2			
	Democratic	Republican	Independence	DEM	REP	IND	
Tape	00353-10-01	00002-11-01	00001-12-01				<div style="text-align: right;"> <b>Step 2</b> ←  <b>Step 3</b> ←  <b>Step 4</b> ←  <b>Step 5</b> ←  <b>Step 6</b> ←  <b>Step 7</b> ←                 </div>
Ballot Style	0353	0002	0003				
A.							
B.							
C.							
D.							
E.							
F.							
G.							
H.							
I.							
J.							
TOTAL							

We the undersigned Inspectors, certify the above Return of Canvass, attached Results Tapes and tallies are true in all respects.

Chairperson: \_\_\_\_\_ Inspector: \_\_\_\_\_ Inspector: \_\_\_\_\_

**Step 10** ↑
**Step 10** ↑

See Example on Page 83



See Enlarged Example on Page 82

Closing The Poll Site

# ED Table Inspector Job: Closing the Poll Site (continued)

\*\*\* BALLOT STATUS ACCOUNTING REPORT \*\*\*  
 12:35 PM June 25, 2018  
 Unit Serial Number: 0209350649

Test Elections  
 Periodic Test Primary Election V1  
 0001 10410  
 Election Date: April 01, 2018  
 Poll Opened Date: June 25, 2018  
 Poll Opened Time: 12:23 PM  
 Poll Closed Date: June 25, 2018  
 Poll Closed Time: 12:35 PM  
 Public Count: 199

Poll Voting Report

Master Accounting: **A**  
 Total Blank: 0  
 Total Overvote: 0  
 Total Undervote: 38

Ballot Counts Per Party

NONPARTISAN	0
Democratic	165
Republican	34

Total Paper Sheets: 199

Ballots for Code 00353-10-01	31
Ballots for Code 00002-10-01	47
Ballots for Code 00003-10-01	54
Ballots for Code 00004-10-01	33
Ballots for Code 00001-11-01	14
Ballots for Code 00002-11-01	7
Ballots for Code 00003-11-01	9
Ballots for Code 00004-11-01	4

0001 10410  
 Unit Serial Number: 0209350649

\*\*\* END OF REPORT \*\*\*

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\*\*\* VOTING RESULTS REPORT \*\*\*  
 12:35 PM June 25, 2018  
 Unit Serial Number: 0209350649

Test Elections  
 Periodic Test Primary Election V1  
 0001 10410  
 Election Date: April 01, 2018  
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 Poll Closed Time: 12:35 PM  
 Public Count: 199

\*\*\* BALLOT STATUS ACCOUNTING REPORT \*\*\*  
 12:35 PM June 25, 2018  
 Unit Serial Number: 0209350644

Test Elections  
 Periodic Test Primary Election V1  
 0001 10410  
 Election Date: April 01, 2018  
 Poll Opened Date: June 25, 2018  
 Poll Opened Time: 12:23 PM  
 Poll Closed Date: June 25, 2018  
 Poll Closed Time: 12:35 PM  
 Public Count: 160

Poll Voting Report

Master Accounting: **B**  
 Total Blank: 0  
 Total Overvote: 0  
 Total Undervote: 38

Ballot Counts Per Party

NONPARTISAN	0
Democratic	125
Republican	35

Total Paper Sheets: 160

Ballots for Code 00353-10-01	23
Ballots for Code 00002-10-01	36
Ballots for Code 00003-10-01	45
Ballots for Code 00004-10-01	21
Ballots for Code 00001-11-01	8
Ballots for Code 00002-11-01	5
Ballots for Code 00003-11-01	13
Ballots for Code 00004-11-01	9

0001 10410  
 Unit Serial Number: 0209350644

\*\*\* END OF REPORT \*\*\*

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\*\*\* VOTING RESULTS REPORT \*\*\*  
 12:35 PM June 25, 2018  
 Unit Serial Number: 0209350644

Test Elections  
 Periodic Test Primary Election V1  
 0001 10410  
 Election Date: April 01, 2018  
 Poll Opened Date: June 25, 2018  
 Poll Opened Time: 12:23 PM  
 Poll Closed Date: June 25, 2018  
 Poll Closed Time: 12:35 PM  
 Public Count: 160

\*\*\* BALLOT STATUS ACCOUNTING REPORT \*\*\*  
 12:35 PM June 25, 2018  
 Unit Serial Number: 0209350646

Test Elections  
 Periodic Test Primary Election V1  
 0001 10410  
 Election Date: April 01, 2018  
 Poll Opened Date: June 25, 2018  
 Poll Opened Time: 12:23 PM  
 Poll Closed Date: June 25, 2018  
 Poll Closed Time: 12:35 PM  
 Public Count: 69

Poll Voting Report

Master Accounting: **C**  
 Total Blank: 0  
 Total Overvote: 0  
 Total Undervote: 0

Ballot Counts Per Party

NONPARTISAN	0
Democratic	60
Republican	19

Total Paper Sheets: 69

Ballots for Code 00353-10-01	4
Ballots for Code 00002-10-01	18
Ballots for Code 00003-10-01	27
Ballots for Code 00004-10-01	11
Ballots for Code 00001-11-01	5
Ballots for Code 00002-11-01	1
Ballots for Code 00003-11-01	7
Ballots for Code 00004-11-01	6

0001 10410  
 Unit Serial Number: 0209350646

\*\*\* END OF REPORT \*\*\*

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\*\*\* VOTING RESULTS REPORT \*\*\*  
 12:35 PM June 25, 2018  
 Unit Serial Number: 0209350646

Test Elections  
 Periodic Test Primary Election V1  
 0001 10410  
 Election Date: April 01, 2018  
 Poll Opened Date: June 25, 2018  
 Poll Opened Time: 12:23 PM  
 Poll Closed Date: June 25, 2018  
 Poll Closed Time: 12:35 PM  
 Public Count: 69

Closing The Poll Site

# ED Table Inspector Job: Closing the Poll Site (continued)

Attach Results Tapes Here

## Return of Canvass

Primary Election Election District: <u>006</u> Assembly District: <u>65</u> Poll Site Name: <u>Southbridge Tower II</u> Address: <u>66 Frankfort Street</u> Borough: <u>New York</u> Zone: <u>08</u>	June 25, 2019 Poll Site #: <u>11399</u> 65006
<b>Ballot Reconciliation</b>	

### Section 1 Ballots Cast by Scanner

Tape	Democratic	Republican	Independence
Ballot Style	0353	0002	0003
A			
B			
C			
D			
E			
F			
G			
H			
I			
J			
<b>Total</b>			

Transfer the Total of Section 1 to Section 2, Line D

### Section 2

Start of Day # of Ballots	Democratic	Republican	Independence
A. Unused Ballots			
B. # of Voided Ballots (by Poll Worker)			
C. # of Voided Ballots (by Voter request)			
D. # of Ballots in Scanner			
E. # of Emergency Ballots			
<b>Section 2 Total (A+B+C+D+E)</b>			
Does Section 2 Total match Start of Day Ballots?			

If you have any Unscanned Ballots that must be tallied, tally them in the Forms Booklet and transfer the Total Votes for each Candidate to the Reverse side of this Return of Canvass.

This Return of Canvass is authorized under Section 9-106 which states the Board of Elections in the City of New York may initiate closing of Scanners prior to completing Ballot Accountability.

We, the undersigned Inspectors, certify that the above Return of Canvass, attached Results Tapes and all certifications and tallies contained herein are true in all respects.

Chairperson \_\_\_\_\_ Inspector \_\_\_\_\_ Inspector \_\_\_\_\_ Inspector \_\_\_\_\_

**There are no party affiliation columns for a General Election.**



## ED Table Inspector Job: Closing the Poll Site (continued)

Follow these steps to complete the Return of Canvass, using the examples on the following pages.

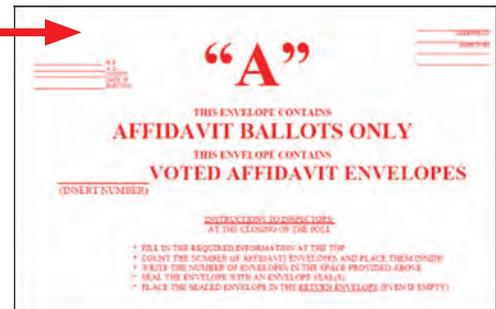
<p><b>Step 1</b></p>	<p>A. Locate your ballot style and tape number (pre-printed in left column of <b>Section 1</b>).</p> <p>B. Go to the posted Results Tape #1 for EACH Scanner. Look for and write down the ballot count for your style and tape number in <b>Section 1</b>.</p> <p>C. Add <b>Total</b> of all Scanner counts in Section 1 and transfer this total to <b>Section 2, Line "D."</b></p>
<p><b>Step 2</b></p>	<p>Count all unused ballots and enter <b>Total</b> in <b>Section 2, Line "A."</b></p> <p><b>This includes: Unopened shrink wrapped packages and ballots still in packages or on the table.</b></p>
<p><b>Step 3</b></p>	<p><b>Empty the Void Paper Ballot Envelope</b> and separate the void Affidavit Ballots from the void scannable ballots. Count the number of scannable ballots and enter the number on the front of the envelope. <b>In Section 2, Line "B" (Void by Poll Worker) &amp; Line "C" (Void by Voter Request).</b> Replace all the ballots in the envelope and seal with a signed white paper seal. Set the envelope aside.</p>
<p><b>Step 4</b></p>	<p>Make sure you have transferred the correct amount from <b>Section 1 Totals</b> onto <b>Section 2, Line "D."</b></p>
<p><b>Step 5</b></p>	<p><b>Empty the Valid Emergency Ballot Envelope</b> and count the number of valid ballots, if any.</p> <p>Write the total on the envelope and set aside to be hand tallied. (Step 8)</p> <p><b>These are ballots that were in the Emergency Ballot Box that for whatever reason could not be scanned and were returned to the ED Table by the Scanner Inspector.</b></p> <p>Enter <b>Total</b> in <b>Section 2, Line "E."</b></p>
<p><b>Step 6</b></p>	<p>Add lines <b>"A"</b> through <b>"E"</b> and enter <b>Total</b> for <b>Section 2</b>.</p> <p>This total should match the <b>"Start of Day Total."</b> If not, add one more time and check each individual total for accuracy.</p>
<p><b>Step 7</b></p>	<p>Answer <b>"Yes"</b> or <b>"No,"</b> <b>"Does Section 2 Total match Start of Day Total?"</b></p> <p>– Last box of Section 2</p>

## ED Table Inspector Job: Closing the Poll Site (continued)

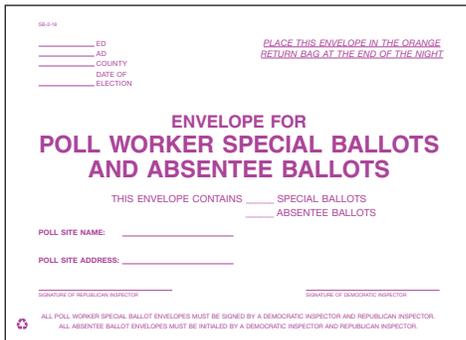
<b>Step 8</b>	<p>Hand tally the ballots from Step 5 (if any) following the instructions in the ED Forms Booklet. Transfer the <b>totals</b> from the booklet to the back of each Return of Canvass Form.</p> <p>Replace the ballots in the Valid Emergency Ballot Envelope, and seal with a signed white paper seal and set aside.</p>
<b>Step 9</b>	Enter the same numbers to complete the second Return of Canvass Form.
<b>Step 10</b>	Two Inspectors (a bipartisan team) must sign the Return of Canvass Forms, and then <b>give to your Coordinator</b> .

- The Return of Canvass Form is complete.** All ED Inspectors **MUST** sign the front of both forms.
- Empty the Affidavit Ballots Only** envelope (Large “A”) and count the number of sealed envelopes.

- Enter the number of Ballot envelopes on the front of the Large “A” envelope
- Fill in information at top of envelope.
- Put all the Ballot envelopes back in the Large “A” envelope, and seal with white paper seal. Set the envelope aside.

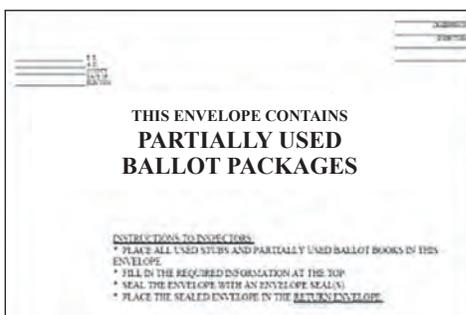


- Follow procedures from Step 5 for Poll Worker **Special Ballot and Absentee Ballot Return Envelope.**



All Poll Worker Special Ballot Envelopes must be signed and dated on the back left side by a Republican and Democratic Inspector, then placed in the Special Ballot/Absentee Ballot Return Envelope.

- Place used ballot packages** into the Partially Used Ballot Package envelope and seal with a white paper seal. Set the envelope aside.



## ED Table Inspector Job: Closing the Poll Site (continued)

8. Be sure to sign the certificate in the back of the Affidavit Ballot and Court Order Log before placing it into the grey transport bag.

9. Put the following items in the **Grey Transport Bag**:

- Signed Challenge Oaths
- Signed Court Orders
- Completed Voter Registration Forms
- Ballot Transmittal Sheet
- Referrals (brought in by voters coming from another Poll Site)
- Affidavit Ballot and Court Order Log Book
- Close Grey Transport Bag with white plastic tie



10. The following items go into the Orange ED Return Bag and will be marked with an orange sticker or orange printing.

- Valid Emergency Ballots Envelope
- Special Ballots Envelope
- Excess Ballots Envelope
- Void Paper Ballots Envelope
- Affidavit Ballots (Large "A") Envelope
- Used Ballot Packages Envelope
- Grey Transport Bag
- Close Orange ED Return Bag with white plastic tie



11. **Set aside** the Return of Canvass Forms, Orange ED Return Bag, ED Forms Booklet, and ED Police envelope.

12. **Re-pack all remaining supplies** (except those in #10 above) and place in Supply Cart. This will include: ED Supply Envelope, unused ballots, Blue Table Display, Sample Ballot Poster(s), ED/AD Sign (in mesh bag).

**Note: If you are the lowest numbered ED/AD Supply Cart, you will be receiving supplies back from other Poll Worker positions. Do not close until given the okay from the Coordinator.**

13. Pack up the E-Poll Book into the lime green case the same way it was when you found it in the morning. Be sure there are 2 styluses as well as the charging cord for the E-Poll Book. Place red seal on case from the ED Police Envelope.

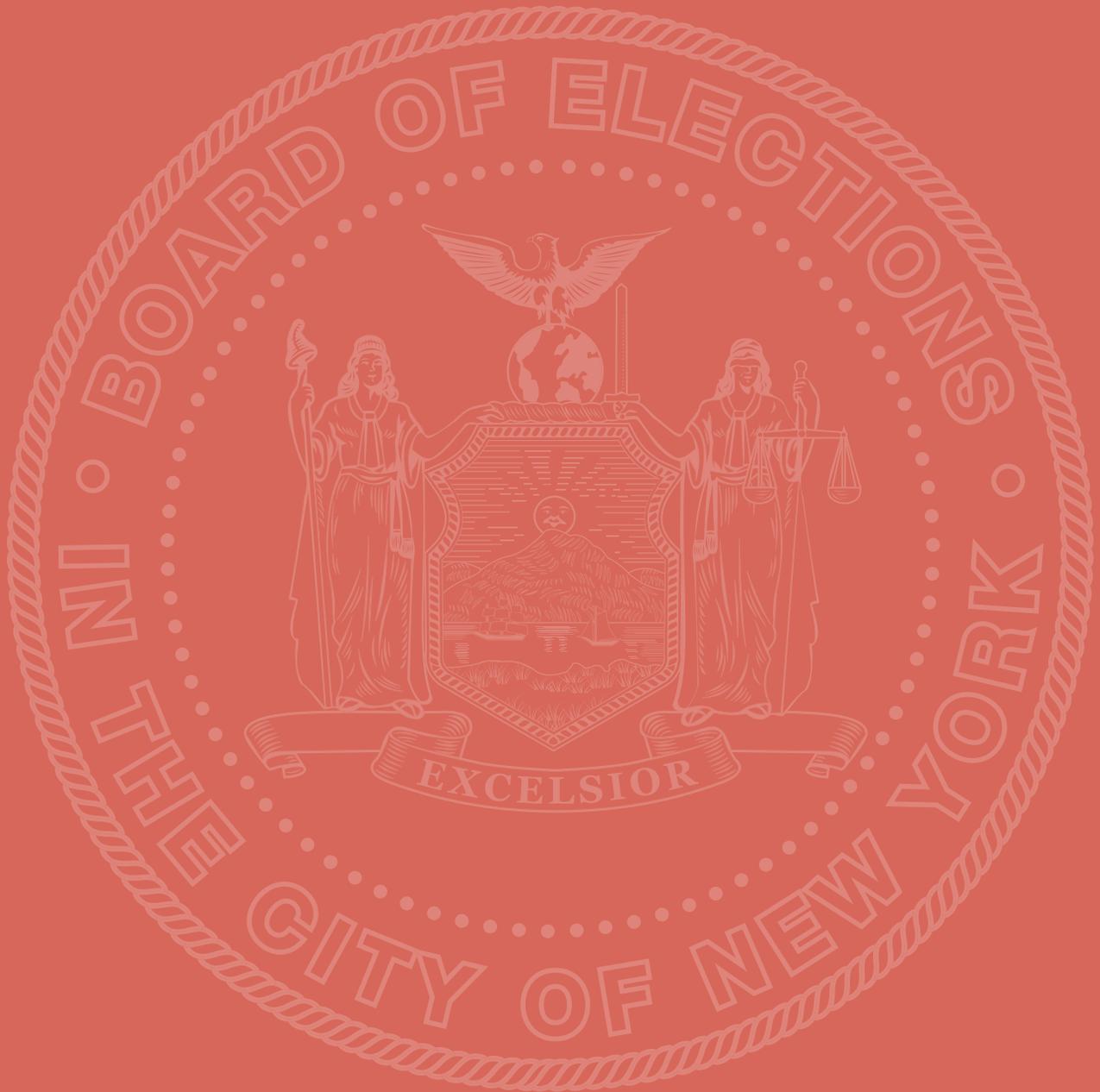
## ED Table Inspector Job: Closing the Poll Site (continued)

14. When everything is packed in the Supply Cart, **lock and seal the cart** with the red plastic numbered seal from the ED Police Envelope. Write the seal number on the **Seals Report** in the ED Forms Booklet.
15. Put key back in ED Police Envelope. All Notice To Work forms are put into the Notice To Work envelope from your ED Forms Booklet.
16. All ED Inspectors complete the **Time Sheet** in ED Forms Booklet. If you are the lowest ED/AD other Poll Workers will be signing in your booklet.
17. ED Inspectors MUST sign the **Certification** in the ED Forms Booklet.

18. Take the following to the Coordinator:
  - Orange ED Return Bag
  - ED Forms Booklet – Coordinator will sign receipt in booklet and Inspector removes and keeps it.
  - ED Police Envelope
  - Both copies of the Return of Canvass
  - Notice to Work Envelope

19. DO NOT LEAVE THE POLL SITE UNTIL DISMISSED BY THE COORDINATOR.

# APPENDIX



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# Appendix 1: Time Sheet Instructions

## Where to find the Time Sheet:

Every ED Supply Envelope contains a Forms Booklet with a Time Sheet. Accessibility Clerks, Information Clerks and Interpreters sign at the lowest ED/AD Table. Other workers sign at the ED Table assigned on Notice to Work – unless the Coordinator reassigns to another ED. The Time Sheet remains in the ED Forms Booklet; **under no circumstance** is the Time Sheet removed from the booklet. **Remember to sign out (regardless of how long you worked) on the same Time Sheet where you signed in.**

### TIME SHEET

#### POLL WORKER CERTIFICATION OATH

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOLLOWING SERVICES WERE RENDERED:

**Step 1** ED: \_\_\_\_\_ AD: \_\_\_\_\_ Borough: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Election: \_\_\_\_\_

Chairperson's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Coordinator's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**OATH OF OFFICE FOR POLL WORKERS**  
I, the undersigned do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the State of New York; and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Poll Worker for the City of New York according to the best of my ability; that I am a registered voter and resident of the City of New York; that I do not hold any public office, am not a candidate for any office to be voted for by the voters of this Election District, or the spouse, parent or child of such candidate, that I have not been removed or otherwise disqualified and am able to speak and read the English language and write it legibly. I further swear (or affirm) I will not in any manner request or seek to persuade or induce any voter to vote any particular ticket or for any particular candidate; and that I will not keep or make any memoranda or entry of anything occurring within the booth and that I will not, directly or indirectly, reveal to any person the name of any candidate voted for by any voter or which ticket he has voted, or anything occurring within the voting booth, except I may be called upon to testify in a judicial proceeding for a violation of the election law. I further swear (or affirm) that I will treat all voters equally and with respect; honor the candidate and other ballot choices of all voters who receive assistance in marking their ballots and avoid making any statement or allowing any person to make any communication within or near the polls to influence any voter's ballot choice; allow voters required assistance to choose a person to assist them, consistent with Section 2108 of the Voting Rights Act, and offer affidavit ballots to voters who are entitled to such ballots under New York law and HAVA.

<b>Step 2</b> CHAIRPERSON		<b>Step 4</b>		<b>Step 5</b>	
ED Table	PARTY:	DOB:	TIME OF ARRIVAL	TIME OF DEPARTURE	OFFICE USE
Name: _____			AM PM	AM PM	Transferred to: _____
Address: _____		Zip: _____			
Telephone Home: ( ) _____	<b>Step 3</b>	Work: ( ) _____			<b>Position</b>
Cell: ( ) _____		Poll Worker #: _____			
Signature: _____					
E-Mail Address: _____					
				ED	AD

## How to fill it out:

1. The ED Chairperson will complete the top of the Time Sheet.
2. Locate your position on the Time Sheet. Standby Poll Workers complete the Time Sheet according to the position they are assigned.
3. Printing legibly, enter your party, date of birth, name, address, phone number and Poll Worker Number, and sign. Your Poll Worker Number is on the Notice to Work that you received in the mail. Be sure to fill in your email address. If you receive your mail at a post office box, include it with your address. If your address changes, be sure to notify your Borough Office.
4. Be sure to enter arrival time in the morning and departure time prior to departure and circle AM or PM.
5. If your assigned position changes during the day, you should still complete the Time Sheet for your original assignment. However, the Coordinator should note your new position under the "transferred to" section.
6. The Coordinator will confirm the accuracy of Time Sheet entries and sign/co-sign to validate it.

## Appendix 1: Time Sheet Instructions (continued)

**BEFORE BEING PAID**, you must pass the exam at your training class, work an election, and complete the Time Sheet.

- **You will receive a full day's pay only if you work a full day.** If you work less, your pay will be pro-rated based on actual hours worked.
- **Poll Workers whose Time Sheets are incomplete, inaccurate or not given to the Coordinator, may not receive their checks on time. You must sign the Forms Booklet in order to be paid.**
- **It is a violation of law to falsely enter information on time sheets.** Poll Workers who submit false information will not be eligible to work for the Board of Elections in the future. The information may be referred for legal action.
- **Please note the most efficient way to receive your check is via direct deposit. Forms are available at training or from your borough office. Please be sure to check in using the tablet at your poll site.**

## Appendix 2: Special Ballot Application Instructions

**IF** you are assigned to work at the Poll Site where you would normally vote, you can vote at your site on Election Day. **Note: At the time of training you do not know for certain where you will be assigned, so you should fill out the Special Ballot Application Form that is available at your training class.** Give the forms to the Trainer. If completed at home, mail the form or take it to the Borough Office.

- **You must fill out an application for EACH Election.**
- Your ballot will be mailed to you before the election. If you have not received your ballot, call your Borough Office Absentee Department.
- **DO NOT MAIL** your ballot back to the Borough Office. Deliver your voted ballot to any ED/AD Table at the Poll Site where you are working on Election Day **BEFORE THE CLOSE OF POLLS.**
- ED Inspectors will sign for receipt of your ballot and put it in the Special Ballot Return Envelope.

If you choose, you can drop off your ballot at the borough office before the election.

# Appendix 3: Special Ballot Application

	<b>WORK</b>	<b>LIVE</b>
<b>ELECTION DISTRICT</b>	_____	_____
<b>ASSEMBLY DISTRICT</b>	_____	_____

## Board of Elections Employee or Poll Worker (Ballots to be cast at the Board of Elections Office or at your assigned Poll Site) Special Ballot Application

Date of Election: \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_\_

Type of Election:       **Primary**       **General**       **Special**

Political Party in which you are enrolled: \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Serial No: \_\_\_\_\_ (To be filled in by Board) PW# \_\_\_\_\_

To the Board of Elections in the City of New York:

I, \_\_\_\_\_, Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ state as follows: \_\_\_\_\_

I reside at: \_\_\_\_\_ in the County of: \_\_\_\_\_

State of New York, am a registered (For Primary; and enrolled) voter of the City of New York.

**I am unable to appear at the polling place for my Election District on the day of election because my duties as a Board of Elections employee or as an elections official at a polling place other than my own require me to be elsewhere.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature/Mark of Voter)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature and Address of Witness to Mark)

A voter unable to vote at his/her own polling place because of his/her Board of Elections employment or because (s)he was appointed to serve as an elections official at a polling place other than his/her own may cast a special ballot at the office of the Board of Elections (beginning two (2) weeks before the election or on the day of election not later than the close of the polls) or deliver the ballot to the Inspectors at the poll site where (s)he is assigned to work on the day of the Election. (Election Law 11-302).

### BOROUGH OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Manhattan:	200 Varick Street, New York, NY 10014	(212) 886-2100
Bronx:	1780 Grand Concourse, Bronx NY 10457	(718) 299-9017
Brooklyn:	345 Adams Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201	(718) 797-8800
Queens:	118-35 Queens Boulevard, Forest Hills, NY 11375	(718) 730-6730
Staten Island:	One Edgewater Plaza, Staten Island, NY 10305	(718) 876-0079

# Appendix 4: Tri-Lingual Ballot Procedures (for Queens)

## Checking the ballots and completing the paperwork

- Check that you have the right ballots for your ED and begin the Ballot Transmittal Sheet that is shrink-wrapped with the first set of ballots.
- Place one pad of ballots for each language on the table as shown below.
- Ballots should be placed on the table in alphabetical order, from left to right as follows: BENGALI, CHINESE, and KOREAN.
- Please know that your ED may not have ballots in all three languages.

**Ballot Transmittal Sheet**

**Queens General Election 11/04/14**

**AD 22 ED 2**

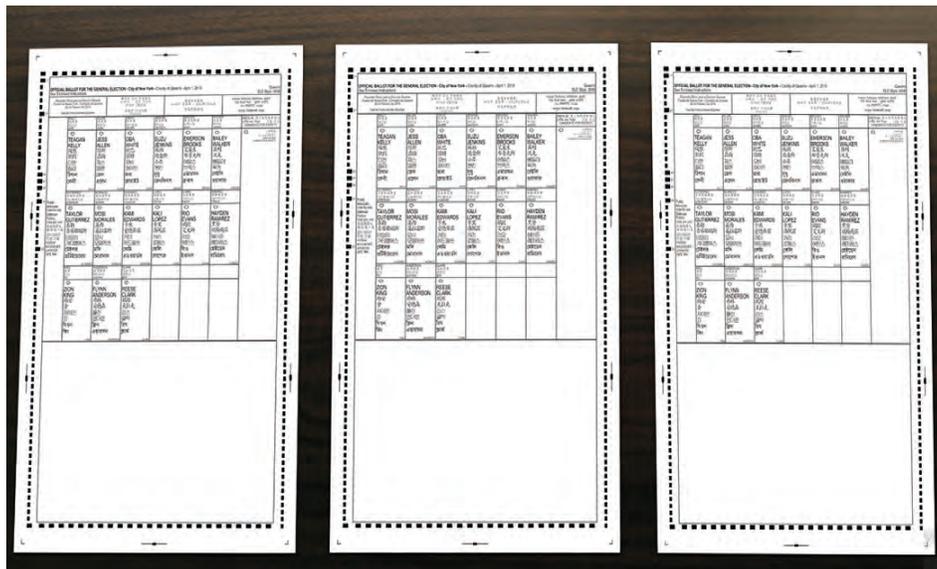
Total Ballots: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Total Ballots per Booklet: 25  
 Total Booklets: 15

Booklet	Lang	Language	Numbered Sequence	Amount of Ballots Issued	* = all used from pad (to be crossed from pad)
1	B	Bengali	1 - 25	25	✓
1	C	Chinese	1 - 25	25	✓
2	B	Bengali	26 - 50	25	✓
2	C	Chinese	26 - 50	25	✓
3	B	Bengali	51 - 75	25	✓
3	C	Chinese	51 - 75	25	✓
3	K	Korean	51 - 75	22	✓
4	B	Bengali	76 - 100	11	✓
4	C	Chinese	76 - 100	12	✓
4	K	Korean	76 - 100	11	✓
5	B	Bengali	101 - 125	0	0
5	C	Chinese	101 - 125	0	0
5	K	Korean	101 - 125	0	0

**Total Number of Ballots Used** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signatures**

Inspector: \_\_\_\_\_ Date/Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Inspector: \_\_\_\_\_ Date/Time: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Chairperson: \_\_\_\_\_ Date/Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Inspector: \_\_\_\_\_ Date/Time: \_\_\_\_\_



**Ballots are available in Chinese, Korean, and Bengali**  
 Let an Election worker know which ballot you need by pointing to your language below

**選票包含中文、韓文及孟加拉文**  
 請向選務人員指出以下您想要的語言的選票

중국어, 한국어 그리고 벵갈어로 된 투표용지가 준비되어 있습니다  
 아래의 귀하의 언어를 지칭하여 선거요원에게 어떤 투표용지가 필요한지 알려주십시오

চাইনিজ, কোরিয়ান এবং বাংলা ভাষায় ব্যালট পাওয়া যায়  
 নিম্নে উল্লেখ করা আপনার ভাষার দিকে নির্দেশ করে নির্বাচন কর্মীকে জানান আপনার কোন ব্যালটটি প্রয়োজন

<p>Point to this square if you wish to vote on a Chinese-language ballot</p> <p>如果您想使用中文選票，請點擊此方格。</p>	<p>Point to this square if you wish to vote on a Bengali-language ballot</p> <p>এই চৌকোনা ঘরের দিকে নির্দেশ করুন যদি আপনি বাংলা ভাষায় অনুবাদ করা ব্যালটে ভোট দিতে চান</p>	<p>Point to this square if you wish to vote on a Korean-language ballot</p> <p>귀하가 한국어로 된 투표용지로 투표하기를 원하면 이 사각형을 지적하십시오</p>
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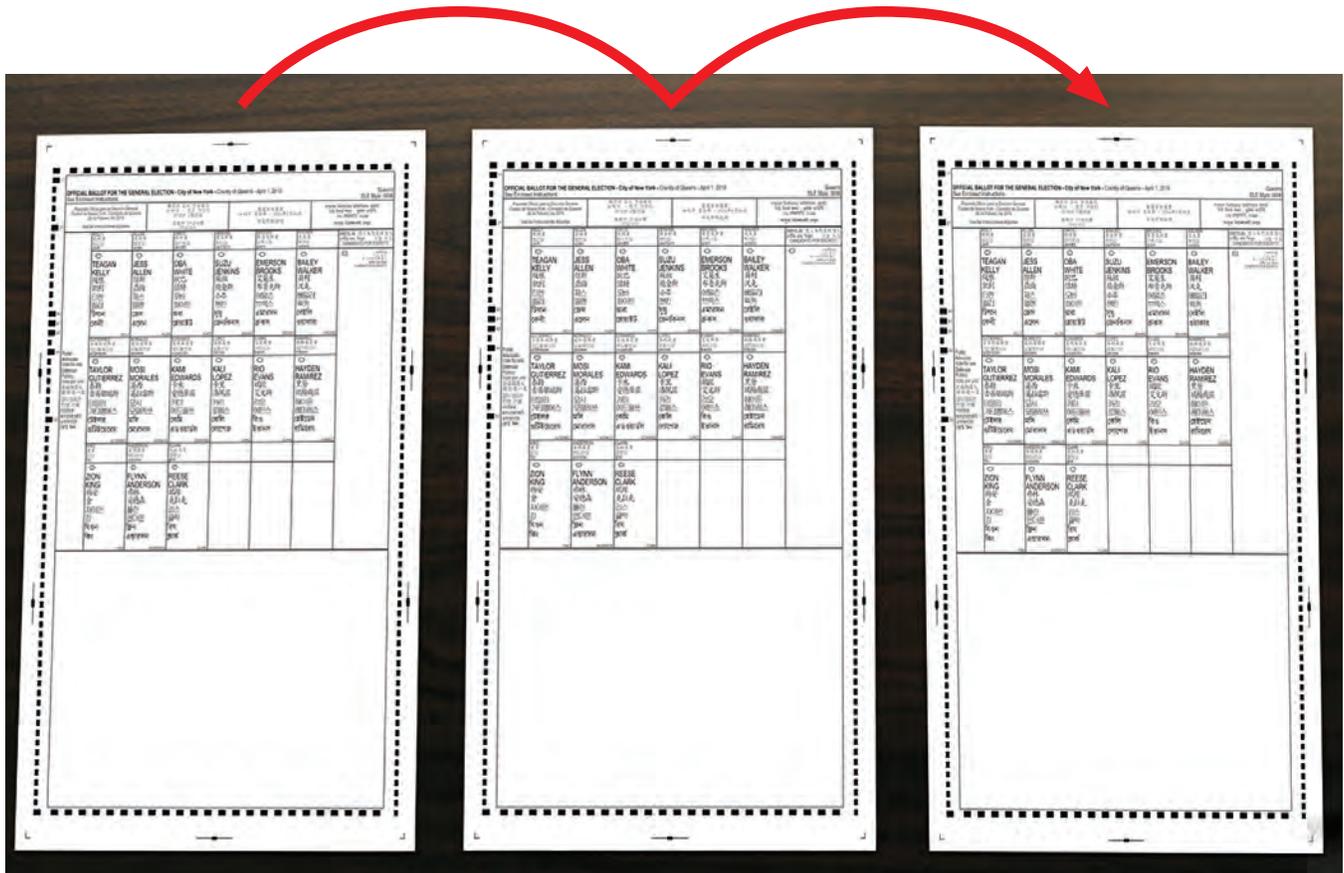
# Appendix 4: Tri-Lingual Ballot Procedures (for Queens)

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## Handing out the ballots

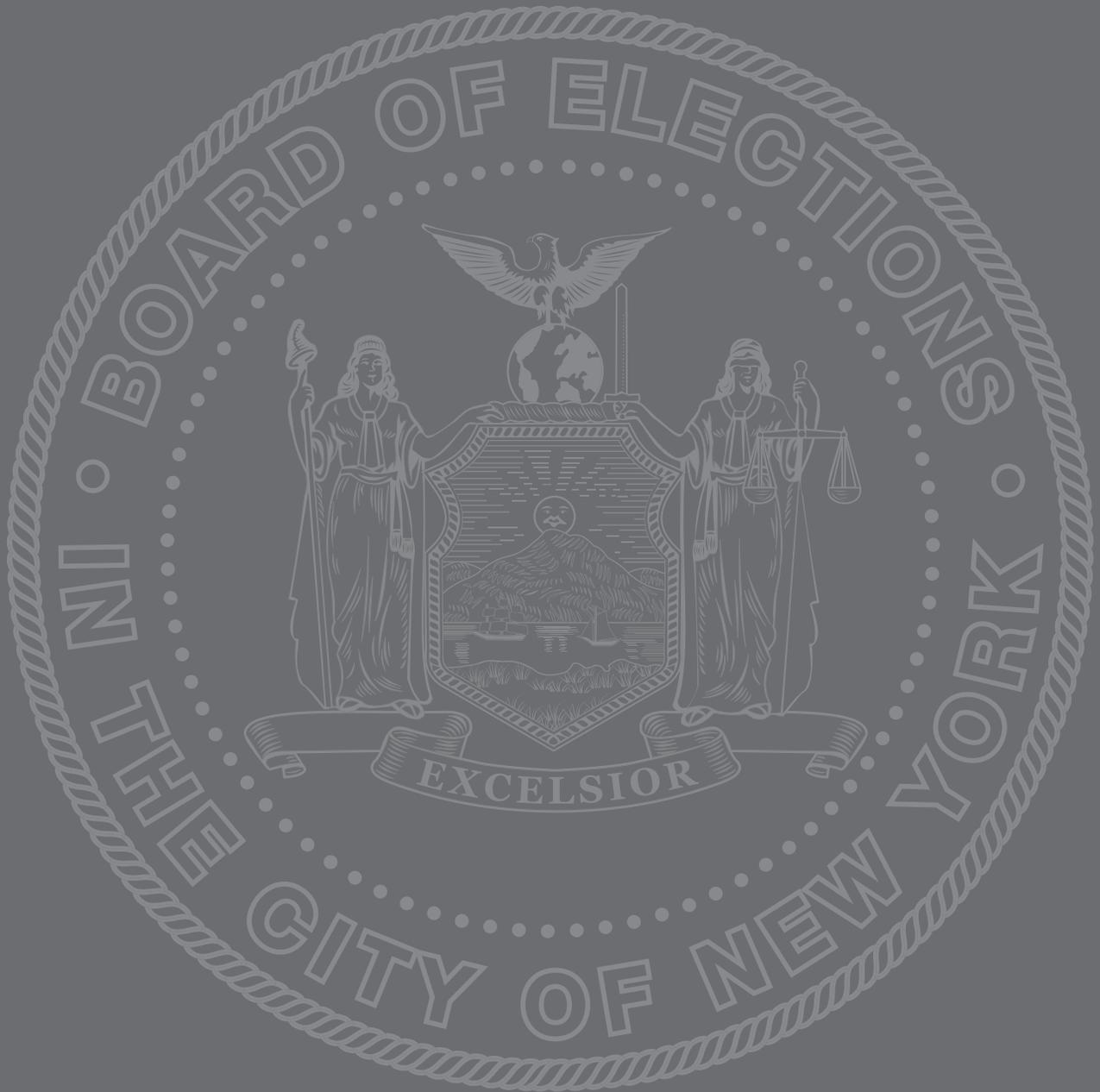
- Ballots will be handed out one at a time from left to right, unless a voter makes a request for a specific language. This is to make sure you keep an equal number of ballots on each package.
- A sheet is packed with the ballots to be placed on the table on which voters may point to their language to request a ballot in a specific language.

**For example:** assume you have an equal number of ballots in each package and you hand out a Bengali ballot from the left first. Then the next five voters request Korean ballots. You will then hand out ballots from the Bengali package and the Chinese package until you have an equal number of ballots in each package. The goal is to keep the number of ballots in each package as equal as possible. See picture below.





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# Glossary

The world of elections has its own language. This glossary defines the most common election terms you may encounter.

## A

**Abandoned Ballots** – BMD: see Page 62.  
Scanner: see Page 70

**Accessible Privacy Booth** – voting booth accessible by wheelchair.

**Accessibility** – a Poll Site is accessible when all voters can enter, travel to the voting area, and vote without obstacles.

**Accessibility Clerk** – Poll Worker who ensures the alternate accessible entrance to a Poll Site is accessible throughout the day and performs other duties to assist voters with disabilities.

**Accessibility Clerk Manual** – instructions on how to perform duties. Located in Accessibility Clerk Envelope which is located in lowest ED/AD Supply Cart.

**Accessibility Clerk Supply Envelope** – contains supplies including Manual, Poll Site Schematic, Badge Holders, and Tape Measure. Located in lowest ED/AD Supply Cart.

**AD (Assembly District)** – area represented by a member of the State Assembly. An AD is composed of numerous election districts (ED).

**ADA** – Americans with Disabilities Act. Federal Law requires an accessible voting process in Poll Sites that are accessible to everyone, including voters with disabilities.

**ADA Check List** – form completed every two hours verifying accessibility. Located in Coordinator Supply Envelope.

**ADA Complaint Log** – used to record problems with accessibility.

**Affidavit Ballot** – used when a voter's registration cannot be verified by the E-Poll Book. This ballot cannot be scanned at the Poll Site. Located in the ED Supply Cart.

**Affidavit Ballot and Court Order Log** – located in back of E-Poll Book and used to record those voting by Affidavit Ballot or Court Order.

**Affidavit Ballot Envelope** – voter fills out information on envelope and puts voted Affidavit Ballot inside. Not counted at the Poll Site. Located in Blue Table Display; extras in ED Supply Envelope.

**Affidavit Privacy Sleeve** – red bordered manila folder with ballot marking instructions that is given to voters with the Affidavit Ballot. Located in ED Supply Cart.

**Alternate Accessible Entrance** – at Poll Sites where the main entrance may not be accessible to everyone. For example, stairs. The alternate entrance is either already accessible or is made accessible by use of a ramp or other device. Located on Poll Site Schematic.

**Assistance Oath** – both the voter and any outside individual the voter chooses must take the oath in order to assist a voter in marking his/her ballot. Oath is printed on first page of each Voter Registration Book.

**Assisted Voter** – a voter who chooses someone to help them mark their ballot. A voter may be assisted by anyone they choose except for their employer, union representative or a person with a political affiliation (e.g., Candidate, Poll Watcher). If a voter requests Poll Worker assistance, it must be conducted by a bipartisan team.

## Glossary (continued)

### B

**Badge Holders** – plastic holders for Poll Worker IDs. Located in Supply Envelopes.

**Ballot** – a paper used to record the votes for contests to be decided at an election. They arrive in ED Supply Cart.

**Ballot Bin Liner Case** – a blue plastic case located inside the metal ballot box of the Scanner used to collect and securely store ballots on Election Day.

**Ballot Box** – compartment in bottom of Scanner into which the Ballot Bin Liner case fits.

**Ballot Face Card** – renamed to Sample Ballot Poster. Located in lowest numbered ED/AD Supply Cart.

**Ballot Package** – ballots packed in groups of 25 referred to as packages. Located in ED Supply Cart.

**Ballot Proposal** – voted on in addition to candidates and given out at General Election only. Located on back of the Ballot.

**Ballot Reconciliation** – the ballot reconciliation is part of the Return of Canvass form. Located in the Grey Transport Bag.

**Ballot Transmittal Sheet** – contains the number of ballots each table received in the morning and is used to record the number of used and unused ballots at closing of polls. It is placed on top of the first package of shrink-wrapped scannable ballot pads. Located on the top of Ballot package in the ED Supply Cart.

**Blank Ballot** – a message that appears on the Scanner screen if an inserted ballot has no selections made.

**Blue Table Display** – cardboard table top display containing useful Election Day Handouts. Located in and displayed on the top of the ED Supply Cart.

**BMD (Ballot Marking Device)** – machine that assists voters with marking their selections on the scannable paper ballot. It also offers viewing the ballot in different languages or font sizes. It is available for any voter who requests to use it whether or not they have a disability.

**BMD Laminated Instruction Card** – contains procedures and is found in sleeve on BMD.

**BMD Police Envelope** – delivered by Police Officer and contains two red plastic seals, seals report, special instructions and Key Envelope for BMD. Located in Police Poll Site Envelope.

**BMD/Privacy Booth Inspector** – directs voters to Privacy Booths or BMD. BMD/Privacy Booth Inspector is responsible for the upkeep of the privacy booths and BMD throughout the day.

**BMD Supply Envelope** – contains supplies for operating the BMD. It arrives inside the BMD rear compartment.

**BOE** – Board of Elections.

**Borough** – New York City is composed of five Boroughs – each a part of the Board of Elections: the Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan, Queens and Staten Island.

### C

**Candidate** – an individual running for public office or party position.

**Certificate to Work** – given to a standby worker sent by the Borough to work at a Poll Site.

**Certification** – statement signed by the Inspectors or Coordinator verifying procedures have been followed. Located in various forms, booklets and in back of E-Poll Book.

**Chairperson** – one Inspector at each ED Table designated to be responsible for operations.

**Challenge** – a claim that a voter is unqualified to vote. Anyone can challenge a voter's eligibility to vote.

## Glossary (continued)

**Challenge Oath** – statement signed by a challenged voter stating that he/she is eligible to vote. Challenge Oaths are located in the Blue Table Display.

**Commissioners' Program for Poll Worker Non-Compliance** – program adopted by the Board of Elections' Commissioners to ensure that policies and procedures are correctly followed by Poll Workers.

**Cones** – used for ADA compliance to indicate obstacles in the voter's pathway. Delivered with ramps.

**Configuration Report Tape** – contains Scanner settings and serial number. This is the first tape printed by the Scanner during the opening process.

**Coordinator** – Poll Worker who is responsible for the management of a Poll Site with multiple EDs and is the link between the Poll Site and the Board of Elections.

**Coordinator Journal** – used by Coordinator to log visitors, monitor accessibility, and record problems and resolutions. It is sent by mail to Coordinators.

**Coordinator Manual** – specific job instructions for Coordinator. Located in the Coordinator Envelope which is in the lowest numbered ED/AD Supply Cart.

**Coordinator Poll Site Supply Bag** – contains supplies needed for the site and/or Coordinator. Located in the lowest numbered ED/AD Supply Cart.

**Coordinator Receipt** – signed by Police at close of polls for Round #1 and Round #2 pickups and kept by the Coordinator.

**Coordinator Return Bag** – purple canvas bag containing specific items that is packed in the large blue NYPD Poll Site Return Bag at close of polls. Located in lowest numbered ED/AD Supply Cart.

**Court Order** – an order signed by a New York State Court Judge on Election Day allowing a voter to vote using the Scanner.

**Court Order Certificate (Certificate to Request a Court Order)** – filled in by the Inspector and given to a voter to take to the judge. When signed by a judge, it is returned by the voter to the Poll Site. Located in the ED Supply Cart.

## D

**Door Bell** – installed by Accessibility Clerk. It is at the alternate entrance so they are notified if a voter needs the door opened. Located in lowest numbered ED/AD Supply Cart.

**Door Clerk** – see Accessibility Clerk.

**Door Prop** – plastic or wood wedge for propping open a door. Located in the lowest numbered ED/AD Supply Cart.

## E

**ED (Election District)** – a group of eligible voters within a specific geographic area. Several Election Districts make up one Assembly District (AD).

**ED Forms Booklet** – contains forms, Certification Receipts and Notice to Work Envelope. Located in ED Supply Envelope.

**ED Receipt** – signed by Coordinator/ Chairperson at close after receiving required items and given back to the ED Inspector/ Chairperson. Located in ED Forms Booklet.

**ED/AD Sign** – placed at the side of each ED Table to help the voter find their ED. Located in ED Supply Cart.

**ED Return Bag** – orange canvas bag used by ED Table to return items at the close of polls. Located in ED Supply Cart.

**ED Supply Cart** – large metal cart for each ED Table containing all supplies and materials.

## Glossary (continued)

**ED Supply Cart Police Envelope** – delivered by Police Officer and contains one red plastic numbered seal, ED Supply Cart Key Envelope and special instructions, if any. Located in Police Poll Site Envelope.

**ED Supply Envelope** – large manila envelope containing supplies. Located in ED Supply Cart.

**ED Table** – table where voter signs E-Poll Book and is issued a ballot.

**ED Table Inspector** – Poll Worker working at the ED Table.

**Election Day Ballot** – the paper scannable ballots that voters use to cast their vote. Located in ED Supply Cart.

**Election Day Team** – consists of all the Poll Workers, police, AD Monitors, and others working together to ensure voters' rights to vote.

**Electioneering** – efforts to encourage voters to vote a certain way and includes distributing, wearing or carrying political literature, posters, banners or buttons or soliciting votes. Electioneering is prohibited within 100 feet of the Poll Site entrance.

**ENR (Election Night Reporting)** – Coordinator uploads PMDs into tablet to transmit results to Board of Elections.

**Election Security Code** – password used to open the polls on the Scanner. Located in Scanner Police Envelope.

**Emergency Ballot Procedure** – goes into effect when all of the Scanners at a Poll Site break down. Voters place their scannable ballots into the Scanner's Emergency Ballot Box slot. Special procedures are used on how to handle these ballots at closing.

**E-Poll Book** – Electronic tablet used by Inspectors to check in voters.

**Excess Emergency Ballot** – extra ballots that are left over at the end of counting during Emergency Ballot procedures.

**Exit Polls** – voters are asked how they voted AFTER exiting the polls.

## F

**Floor Plan** – (see Poll Site Floor Plan).

## G

**General Election** – any registered voter may vote in this election regardless of party.

**Grey Transport Bag** – canvas bag containing the E-Poll Book, Return of Canvass and Street Locator by ED. At closing, the E-Poll Book and any other secure election documents must be sealed and returned in this bag. Located in ED Supply Cart.

## H

**Hand Tally** – a hand count of votes cast.

**HAVA (Help America Vote Act)** – Federal law that addresses accessibility of the voting process.

**HAVA ID Codes** – are listed on the front of the E-Poll Book. Indicates the code an Inspector must enter in the registration list when a voter is required to provide ID.

## I

**ID Requirements** – ONLY voters with "ID REQ." next to their name on the E-Poll Book are required to show ID when voting for the first time.

**Information Clerk** – Poll Worker who greets voters at entrance and directing them to the correct ED Table or Poll Site.

## Glossary (continued)

**Information Clerk Envelope** – contains supplies and instructions. Located in the lowest numbered ED/AD Supply Cart.

**Information Clerk Handbook** – contains job procedures and comes in Information Clerk Supply Envelope. Located in the lowest numbered ED/AD Supply Cart.

**Inside Signage** – posted in Poll Site by Information Clerk. Located in Inside Signage Supply Envelope in the lowest numbered ED/AD Supply Cart.

**Interpreter** – Poll Worker who assists non-English speakers by translating information provided by other Poll Workers, or on the ballot, in mandated languages.

**Interpreter Journal** – contains forms used to tally the number of voters assisted during the day and record other questions. Located in the Interpreter Supply Envelope.

**Interpreter Journal Return Envelope** – used to return all journal pages to the Coordinator at close of polls. Located in the Interpreter Journal.

**Interpreter Manual** – contains specific job procedures. Located in the Interpreter Supply Envelope.

**Interpreter Supply Envelope** – contains supplies, manual and journal. Located in the lowest numbered ED/AD Supply Cart.

## L

**Large “A” Envelope** – white envelope with red text where completed and sealed Affidavit Envelopes are placed throughout the day. Located in the ED Supply Envelope in the ED Supply Cart.

## M

**Media Representative** – a reporter, photographer, cameraman, etc. from a newspaper, radio or television station.

## N

**No Electioneering Sign** – posted 100 feet from the entrance to the Poll Site prohibiting electioneering between the sign and the entrance. Located in the Outside Signage Supply Bag in the lowest numbered ED/AD Supply Cart.

**Notice to Voters Flyer** – given to voters along with the Affidavit Ballot. Located in the Blue Table Display.

**Notice to Work** – mailed to Poll Workers prior to the election giving their specific job assignment and Poll Worker Number. It also has Poll Worker’s name tag attached which has to be separated and worn on Election Day.

**Notice to Work Envelope** – used to collect Notice to Work Forms from Poll Workers. Located in ED Forms Booklet.

**NYS Voter Bill of Rights Sign** – sign posted at the entrance detailing the rights of the registered voter. Located in the Inside Signage Supply Envelope.

## O

**Orange ED Return Bag** – canvas bag used by each ED Table to return items to the Coordinator. Located in each ED Supply Cart.

**Outside Signage** – posted by Accessibility Clerk. Located in the Outside Signage Supply Bag. Located in the lowest numbered ED/AD Supply Cart.

## Glossary (continued)

**Over Vote** – when a voter chooses a greater number of candidates than is indicated for selection on the ballot, the Scanner displays this message on the screen and the voter can choose to have the ballot returned to them. The voter can then return to the ED Table for a replacement Ballot. If a voter does not request the ballot to be returned, their vote for this one race only will not be counted.

### P

**Partially Used Ballot Package Envelope** – used for returning the partially used ballot packages. Located in ED Supply Envelope.

**PMD** – portable memory device, sometimes referred to as a memory stick or flash drive, placed inside the Scanner to store election results. Scanner screen refers to this as “Election Media.”

**PMD Report** – sometimes called Election Night Return (ENR) is completed by the Coordinator and returned to the Police Officer in Round #1 pickup.

**Police Officer/Peace Officer** – present during Election Day to maintain law and order at the Poll Site.

**Police Officer Receipt** – signed by the Coordinator and given to the Police Officer at the opening of the polls stating that all police envelopes were received.

**Police Poll Site Envelope** – contains Police Envelopes for ED Supply Carts, BMDs, Scanners, special instructions and a receipt for the Coordinator to sign and return to the Police Officer. Delivered by Police Officer at 5:00 a.m.

**Polling Area** – a designated area in the Poll Site where voting takes place.

**Poll Site** – a building in which a polling area is located.

**Poll Site Floor Plan** – shows how the voting room should be set up. Located on the top of each ED Supply Cart and in Coordinator Supply Envelope.

**Poll Site List** – a Borough directory grouped by AD number, showing name and address of the Poll Site for each ED/AD. Used by Information Clerk. Located in the Information Clerk Supply Envelope.

**Poll Site Return Bag** – large blue canvas bag in which Orange ED, Purple Coordinator Return Bags and Return of Canvass are placed before being given to Police Officer at close of polls. Located in the lowest numbered ED/AD Supply Cart.

**Poll Site Schematic** – shows path of travel and entrances for accessibility from outside sidewalk to the polling area. Located in Coordinator Supply Envelope and Accessibility Clerk Supply Envelope.

**Poll Watcher** – representative of a candidate, political party or independent group who observes the election to make sure it is conducted fairly and impartially.

**Poll Watcher Certificate** – given by the candidate permitting a designated person to monitor the Election Day process within specified EDs.

**Poll Watcher Poster** – posted near entrance to voting room explaining Poll Watcher’s rights and responsibilities. Located in the Inside Signage Supply Envelope.

**Primary Election** – held by a political party to choose its candidates for the General Election and elect individuals to party positions. Only registered voters enrolled in the party may vote in this election.

## Glossary (continued)

**Privacy Booth** – metal booths with lights, magnifying sheets and pens used by the voter to mark a ballot in privacy. An Accessible Privacy Booth is also available at each Poll Site.

**Privacy Panels** – black shields (screens) placed on each side of the Scanner screen to ensure voter privacy. Located in the lowest numbered ED/AD Supply Cart.

**Privacy Sleeves** – manila folders with black border for scannable ballots or red border for Affidavit Ballots. Ballot marking instructions are printed on the cover.

**Protected Count** – the total number of votes that have been cast on the Scanner since its first use. Located in the middle of the Scanner screen.

**Public Count** – located on screen of the Scanner showing the total number of votes that have been cast on the scanner in a particular election.

**Public/Protected Count Worksheet** – used to record counts in the morning and at close of polls. Located in the Scanner Booklet.

**Purple Coordinator Return Bag** – used by the Coordinator for items returned at close of polls and put inside large blue Poll Site Return Bag. Located in lowest numbered ED/AD Supply Cart.

## R

**Referral Slip** – form filled out by any Poll Worker sending a voter to a different Poll Site. Located in the Information Clerk Supply Envelope.

**Registered Voter** – a person who is entitled to vote after registering with the Board of Elections.

**Results Report Tape** – paper report printed during the closing of the Scanner that details the election results from that particular Scanner.

**Return of Canvass** – a ballot reconciliation sheet, in which all scannable ballots that were used, voided or unused are accounted for at the end of the day. Vote totals from any hand tally are recorded on the back. Located in the Grey Transport Bag.

**Return of Canvass Envelope** – used to place all Return of Canvass forms from each ED Table. Located in lowest numbered ED/AD Supply Cart

## S

**Sample Ballot Poster (formerly called Ballot Face Poster)** – large poster showing a sample ballot. Hung at each ED Table allowing voters to look at voting options. Located in the lowest numbered ED Supply Cart.

**Scanner Forms Booklet** – contains forms, certifications, and receipts. It is turned in to the Coordinator at close of polls. Located in Scanner Supply Envelope.

**Scanner Laminated Opening & Closing Cards** – specific job procedures for the Scanner Inspector. It comes in a sleeve on the Scanner. Also located in Scanner Supply Envelope.

**Scanner Police Envelope** – delivered by Police Officer and contains seals report, security codes, yellow numbered plastic seals, red numbered plastic seals, one 2-pronged yellow numbered plastic seal for Small Yellow Pouch. Scanner “A” envelope contains two 2-pronged yellow seals, special instructions, Key Envelope for Scanner. Located in Poll Site Envelope.

**Scanner Receipt** – is in back of Scanner Booklet and is signed by Coordinator as items are delivered and then kept by the Scanner Inspector.

**Scanner Seals Report** – comes in Scanner Police Envelope and lists all seals on, or to be placed on the Scanner and checked/ initialed by the Inspector.

## Glossary (continued)

**Scanner Supply Envelope** – contains supplies and is found in lowest numbered ED/AD Supply Cart.

**Schematic** – (see Poll Site Schematic).

**Second Results Tape** – posted on wall under DO NOT TAMPER sign, removed at close of polls by Coordinator and placed in 2nd Results Tape envelope.

**Site Coverage Report** – report that Coordinator uses to take attendance and monitor personnel. Lists names and positions of all workers at Poll Site.

**Smaller Party** – a political party other than Democratic or Republican, also commonly referred to as Third Party.

**Special Ballot** – one that is available to Poll Workers or Board of Election employees who cannot vote at their home Poll Site on Election Day. It can be voted at the Borough Office or received by mail and returned on Election Day to the Poll Site where the Poll Worker is working.

**Special Ballot Application** – purple and white form filled out prior to an election by a Poll Worker to allow them to receive a ballot by mail. Applications are available at training classes.

**Special Ballot Envelope** – purple and white envelope where voted Special Ballots are placed. Located in ED Supply Envelope.

**Special Instructions** – contain any last minute changes in procedure or other important notices for Poll Workers, and are often delivered in Police Envelopes.

**Standby Poll Worker** – trained Poll Worker dispatched from the Borough Office to fill in where an assigned worker has not reported to work.

**Street Finder (by Borough)** – directory of every address in a borough showing the political subdivisions by Election District (ED), Assembly District (AD), ZIP code, Congressional District (CD), Senatorial District (SD), Municipal District (MC), and Council District (CO). Located in Information Clerk Supply Envelope.

**Street Locator (by Poll Site)** – similar to Street Finder by Borough but specific to the Poll Site. Located in the Grey Transport Bag.

**Style Number** – can be found on the back of the ballot in the lower right corner above the list of ED/ADs. Used to account for ballots on the Scanner Results Tape.

## T

**Tally Sheet** – used at ED Tables to record hand tallies of unscannable Emergency Ballots. Located in the ED Forms Booklet.

**Time Sheet** – used to record Poll Workers' attendance, hours, and assigned position. Located in ED Forms Booklet.

## U

**Under vote** – only appears on the screen on the BMD when a voter did not choose all the candidates they possibly could have in a particular race.

**Unused Ballots** – any unmarked ballot that has not been given to a voter. Located in ED Supply Cart.

## Glossary (continued)

### V

**Valid Emergency Ballot Envelope** – used to hold Emergency Ballots that could not be scanned. Located in the ED Supply Envelope.

**Visitor Log** – used to record all visitors to the Poll Site. Located in the Coordinator Journal.

**Void Ballot Envelope** – used to collect void ballots throughout the day. At the close of polls, all void paper ballots are returned to the Board of Elections in this envelope. Located in the ED Supply Envelope.

**Void Paper Ballot** – a paper ballot on which a voter has made a mistake (marked “void v”) or Poll Worker has damaged the ballot (marked “void p”).

**Voter Record** – section in the E-Poll Book containing identifying information for each voter, the signature and place for the voter to sign the record.

**Voter Rights Act** – Federal law that makes it illegal to discriminate against voters or candidate on the basis of race, color, or language. It also provides for language assistance to ensure that voters who do not speak English can vote. Located in Blue Table Display.

**Voter Rights Flyer** – given to every voter who votes by Affidavit Ballot, explaining their rights. Located in the Blue Table Display.

### W

**Wait Here for Scanner Sign** – black plastic pole/metal base with white sign indicating where the line begins (at least 5 feet from Scanners) for voters waiting for an available scanner. Found in lowest numbered ED/AD Supply Cart.

**White Paper Seal Pad** – used to seal all envelopes and signed by designated Poll Workers. Located in the ED Supply Envelope.

**Write-in Vote** – a vote cast on the paper ballot for a candidate other than those pre-printed on the ballot.

### Y

**Yellow Large Scanner Voting Records Bag** – used by Coordinator to secure small Scanner pouches from Scanners at end of the night and provided to Police on first round pick up. Located in the lowest numbered ED/AD Cart.

**Yellow Small Scanner Voting Records Pouch** – Scanner Inspectors place Configuration Report, Zero Report Tape and PMD in the Yellow Small Scanner Pouch and give it to Coordinator who places it in the Large Yellow Scanner Voting Records Bag. Located in the lowest numbered ED/AD Supply Cart.

### Z

**Zero Report Tape** – a paper report printed during the opening of the Scanner that shows vote totals are zero at opening of the polls and is then put in the small yellow Scanner pouch.

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Board of Elections in the City of New York

**THANK YOU FOR  
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# Legal Notices

**Under the Federal Voting Rights Act**, it is illegal to:

- Discriminate against voters or candidates on the basis of race, gender or language.
- Administer the Election on different terms for different racial groups, even without the intention to discriminate.

## **Prohibited Practices:**

Under New York State Election Law, it is a felony punishable by fine, imprisonment or both for a poll worker to:

1. Destroy, remove or alter any ballots.
2. Mark a ballot unless voter requests assistance.
3. Campaign, distribute campaign literature, knowingly and willfully permit campaign literature to be present or electioneering at the polls.
4. Threaten or intimidate voters.
5. Knowingly permit an unqualified voter to vote, or permit someone to vote more than once.
6. Intentionally make or attempt to make a false canvass of the ballots or falsify the results of the canvass.
7. Communicate with others regarding anyone's vote.
8. Go to a privacy booth, BMD or Scanner with a voter, unless the voter requests assistance.
9. Destroy or alter the Registered Voters List, Challenges or Affidavits.
10. Deface or destroy the List of Candidates, Voter Instruction Cards, or other supplies at the polling site.
11. When helping a voter who has requested assistance in voting, induce the voter to vote in a certain way, reveal a vote, or keep a record of anything at a privacy booth, BMD or Scanner.
12. Knowingly deny a qualified voter the right to cast his or her ballot.

## **Commissioner's Program for Poll Worker Non-Compliance**

If you engage in any of the above prohibited practices you may be required to attend a remedial training class. Anyone who fails to attend such class will not be allowed to work until that requirement is satisfied. There will be no pay for attending this class. If it is determined that your behavior toward voters or other poll workers is unacceptable or you fail to follow the directions of the Coordinator or Board of Elections personnel, your name will be submitted to the Commissioners for consideration of dismissal.

Failure to follow procedures or return any of the following closing items may also result in dismissal and/or forfeiture of any bonus, incentive, or stipend:

1. Zero Report Tape, Results Report Tape and Portable Memory Device (in small yellow scanner pouch).
2. Completed Return of Canvass forms.

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