

Election Administration

Election Day: May 21, 2019

- ❖ **Hours of Voting:** 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., prevailing time. At 6 p.m. the Precinct Sheriff goes to the end of the line and stays there until everyone in front of him/her has voted. Anyone in line by 6 p.m. is given the opportunity to vote.
- ❖ **Voter Identification:** All voters must produce identification or be known by a precinct officer prior to voting. Acceptable types of ID are personal acquaintance of precinct officer, driver's license, Social Security card, county issued identification card approved in writing by the State Board of Elections, U.S. government-issued identification card, Kentucky state government-issued identification card with picture, credit card, or another form of ID containing both picture and signature. *KRS 117.227 and 31 KAR 4:010.*

Voting Equipment

- ❖ The SBE certifies voting machines that can be sold in Kentucky. Voting machines are purchased by the county fiscal court.
- ❖ Every polling location has a voting machine accessible to individuals with disabilities.
- ❖ For a detailed listing of voting machines by county, please visit elect.ky.gov.
- ❖ The county board of elections has the discretion to choose which voting equipment to use on Election Day, as long as the requirements of state and federal law are met.

Electioneering

- ❖ On Election Day, no person may electioneer within 100 feet of a polling place. However, the restriction does not apply to private property unless it is being used as a voting location, exit polling, or bumper stickers on vehicles that are present for a reasonable amount of time in which to vote. *KRS 117.235*
- ❖ During the hours absentee voting is conducted, no person shall electioneer within the interior of a building or affix any electioneering materials to the exterior or interior of a building designated by the county board of elections and approved by the SBE for absentee voting. *KRS 117.235*

Who is Allowed in the Voting Room?

KRS 117.235, 117.255 and 31 KAR 4:090

- > Precinct Election Officers
- > Voters
- > Anyone assisting a voter
- > Voting machine technicians
- > A minor child accompanying a voter
- > Duly appointed challengers
- > Law enforcement officers
- > Representatives conducting mock elections for school children
- > Members of the media

Voter Assistance

- ❖ Voters with physical disability, blindness or inability to read English may request voting assistance at the polls on Election Day.
- ❖ If a voter has a physical disability or is blind, he/she may apply to the county board of elections for permanent voting assistance.
- ❖ A person may not be assisted at the polls by his/her employer or employer's agent or an officer or agent of his/her union. *KRS 117.255*

Ballot Selfies

Kentucky law does not expressly prohibit a voter from taking a "ballot selfie."

Challengers

KRS 117.187 and KRS 117.315-318

Each county political party may designate up to 2 challengers in each precinct in the county. Independent or non-partisan candidates may designate one challenger in each precinct in the county.

- ❖ All challengers must receive training.
- ❖ Challengers may question the eligibility of a voter for the following reasons:
 - Is not a duly registered voter in the precinct;
 - Is not a resident of the precinct;
 - Is a convicted felon; or
 - Is not the person he/she claims to be.
- ❖ Challengers shall not:
 - Speak directly with a voter being challenged;
 - Electioneer;
 - Handle election materials;
 - Attempt to intimidate or harass, verbally or otherwise, any voter who is being challenged or any precinct election officer;
 - Behave in any manner to disrupt activities at the polling place; or
 - Attempt to interfere with the proper conduct of the election.

Check-Off List Prohibited

Other than official use of the precinct signature roster and challengers, no person allowed in the voting room, including precinct election officers, may use paper, telephone, cell phone, or computer to create a check-off list or record the identity of voters. *KRS 117.236*