

Local Authorities Election – Direction for Voting

1. If your name is on the List of voters or you have sworn a Declaration of Eligibility, you will be given ballot(s). Note: An Election Official may ask that you sign an additional Declaration of Eligibility. If you refuse to swear/affirm another Declaration, you will not be allowed to vote.
2. Each ballot is initialled and folded so you see the initials of the Returning Officer on the ballot.
3. Take your ballots to a voting booth.
4. On each ballot make an "X" or other mark opposite the name(s) of the candidates you wish to vote for in the space provided.
5. On a ballot, you cannot vote for more candidates than the number of vacant positions. You may vote for fewer candidates than the number of vacant positions. If you vote for more candidates than allowed, your ballot will be declared "spoiled" and no votes on that ballot will be counted.
6. If you make a mistake in marking a ballot, you may return the ballot to the Returning Officer, who will "cancel" the ballot and give you a new one. The "cancelled" ballot is kept for the ballot count.
7. A candidate may appear on more than one ballot. You may vote for the person on each ballot, if you wish.
8. When you have finished voting, fold each ballot to show the initials of the Returning Officer. Return the ballots to the Returning Officer and he/she will put your ballots in the ballot box.
9. If you need assistance, ask the Returning Officer or Election Clerk who may:
 - Explain the way to mark a ballot;
 - Explain anything on the Directions for Voting;
 - Mark your ballot for you on your instructions if you are unable to; and
 - Allow a person to assist you if you are blind, unable to read or understand a ballot, or disabled so that you cannot mark your ballot.
10. If you take a ballot out of the voting station, you lose your right to vote at this election.
11. If you have authorized someone to be your Proxy Voter, you cannot vote yourself.

Directions to Proxy Voters

1. You must give the Returning Officer the completed "Application(s) to Authorize a Proxy Voter." You may not vote for more than three other persons in addition to your own vote.
2. Once the Returning Officer completes the Proxy Certificate and you sign the Declaration of a Proxy Voter, you will be given ballots for the voter(s) you are authorized to vote for.
3. If your applicant voters reside at different voting stations, you must attend each location.

Additional Directions for Advance Vote

1. You must complete a Declaration at Advance Vote to vote at the Advance Vote.
2. If you vote at the Advance Vote, you may not vote on Election Day. To attempt to vote twice is an offence.