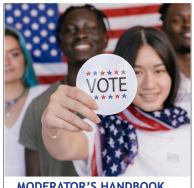
It is **your responsibility** to ensure that pollworkers are performing their duties correctly and efficiently throughout the day. Constantly review what's happening to ensure that your polling place meets these criteria:

# LEGAL · ORDERLY ACCURATE

The Moderator is the head authority at the polling place!

## Handbook

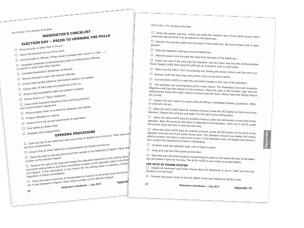
- Official guidance from Secretary of State on election laws and how they apply to polling places
- Review prior to each election and have printed copy available at polls (should be provided by Registrars)
- Separate handbooks for absentee counting, auditing
- Last updated 2023
- Available online at tinyurl.com/cthandbooks



#### MODERATOR'S HANDBOOK FOR ELECTIONS AND PRIMARIES

## Checklist

 Checklist can be found in the Moderator's Handbook Appendix (beginning on page 96)



## Major Updates to Laws Not Included in Handbook

- Voters may not be challenged on the basis of their status as a paroled felon
- Voter apparel now only considered electioneering if it features a candidate name/likeness
- Election day registration now permitted at multiple locations in each town
- Early voting full training forthcoming from state, new state voter registration system in 2024

# **Before Election Day**

- Must receive training from your town Registrars
- Review moderator's handbook, emergency plan
- Pick up election materials (keys, voter list, Moderator's Return) and receive oath from Registrars after 5pm from Town Hall
- Voting equipment delivered / polling place set up (may be performed by you, depending on town)

Pages A2, B1-B2, C1

# Opening the Polls

#### · The polls open at 6:00am SHARP

- Arrive by 5:15am to complete setup
- Moderator swears in officials and reviews emergency
   procedures and late-arriving info from Registrars / state
- Ensure that voters are able to begin checking in and vote their ballots at 6:00 regardless of staff or equipment problems
- Solving problems: missing workers, building locked, tabulator broken, etc.
  - Follow emergency plan
  - Contact ROV / authorities
  - Recruit as needed

Pages D1-D5

#### Layout of the Polling Place: Accessibility

- Ensure directional signage is
   posted
- 2 accessible parking spots must be marked
- Test functioning of accessible voting equipment

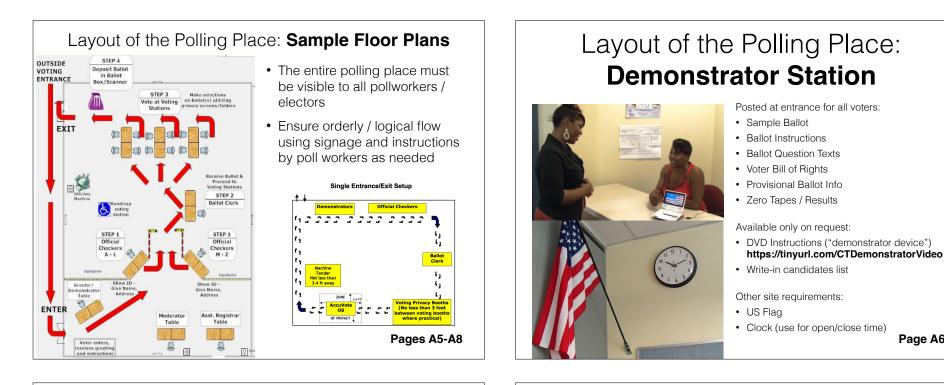


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## Layout of the Polling Place: **Privacy Zone**

- Post signage 75 feet from every outside entry door
- No signage or campaigning in that area – monitor throughout the day
- Electioneering restrictions apply everywhere in building
- Increased privacy expectation in "non public" area of polling place beyond checker station





## Layout of the Polling Place: Checker's Table(s)



- Books divided by street name / letter
- Signage to direct voters to correct line
- "ID Requirements" sign posted

Page A6

## Layout of the Polling Place: **Ballot Clerk's Table**





#### Supplies:

- Privacy Folders
- Voting Instructions
- Spoiled Ballot Pen / Envelope

Procedures:

- Count and inspect ballot packages
- Open a single package at a time
- Alert Moderator of errors, defects, or possible shortages

Page A6

# Layout of the Polling Place: **Split Districts**

- Any situation where you are distributing multiple ballot types with different candidates (two party primary, two voting districts at one location)
- Requires multiple / separate moderator return for each ballot
- Take special care in line management, room arrangement, and ballot distribution
- Impossible to fix after voters have received and cast wrong ballots



Page A6

### Layout of the Polling Place: **Voting Booths**

- Space/arrange booths to ensure voter privacy
- Minimum of one booth at wheelchair height
- Establish area for accessible voting



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# Layout of the Polling Place: **Tabulator Area**

- Mark a "privacy zone" 3-4 feet from tabulator to protect voters from others seeing their ballots
- Station Tabulator Tender 4 feet away so they can monitor machine without seeing ballots



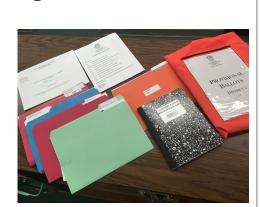
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# Layout of the Polling Place: **Assistant Registrar Table**

- Stationed convenient to Official Checkers
- Should not be positioned in or beyond voting booths

#### Supplies

- Inactive List
- Street Guide
- Phone(s)
- Forms



# Who are the Election Officials?

Number 1	May be 16/17 year old	Must live in town	Must be party/slate matched
1			
	No	No	N/A
2	No	Yes	Yes
1-2 per line	Yes	No	No
1-2	Yes	No	No
1-2	Yes	No*	No
0-1	No	No	N/A
2	No	Yes	Yes
As Needed	No	No	No
	1-2 per line 1-2 1-2 0-1 2	1-2 per line         Yes           1-2         Yes           1-2         Yes           0-1         No           2         No	1-2 per line         Yes         No           1-2         Yes         No           1-2         Yes         No*           0-1         No         No           2         No         Yes

Must be registered to vote in CT with exception of 16-17 year olds \* Tabulator tenders must be elector in town unless Registrars designate two shifts Pages A1-A2

# All Election Officials' Duties

- Must act in a non-partisan manner
  - Cannot assist campaigns or parties
  - No direction to voters on who/what to vote for
  - (Suggested) refrain from political discussions
- Treat co-workers and electors with respect
- Assist any elector who needs / requests assistance
- Protect the right of voters to vote independently, privately, and free of influence / coercion

Pages B1-B2

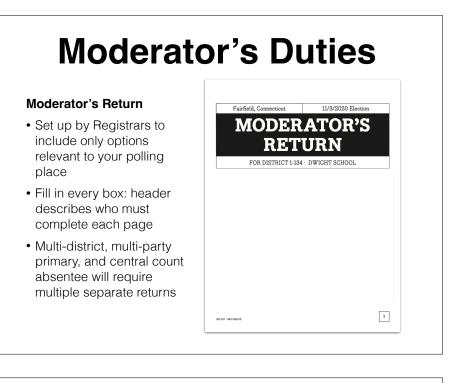
# **Moderator's Duties**

- Must maintain State Certification (course, plus test, every <u>four</u> years; <u>"Clarity Election Training" at least</u> once)
- Supervises other Election Officials responsible for everything that happens in the polling place
- Suppress disorder
- Advise voters with problems
- Consult with handbook and/or Registrars on complex problems before turning a voter away

Pages B3-B5

# **Breaks and Absences**

- Workers may be absent for up to 30 minutes with the Moderator's permission
- May fill in for Moderator if the Moderator will be absent; preferentially appoint other certified Moderators
- Moderator may change duties, delegate tasks, reassign workers, or hire / appoint as needed
- May not be a candidate on the ballot at that election



#### **Moderator's Duties**

#### **Moderator's Diary**

You should record:

- Notes about missing/ malfunctioning equipment, and steps you took to correct
- Any disruption of the polls
- Voters needing assistance
- Anything unusual / possible violations
- Time, names, and details!
- Notes are filed as part of official records of election

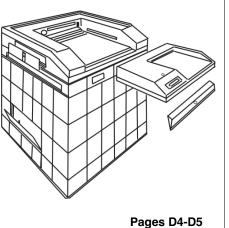


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## **Moderator's Duties** Setting Up the Tabulator

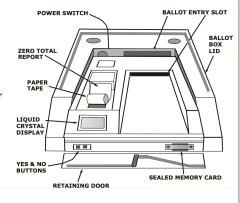
#### Follow detailed setup in handbook

- Unpack and inspect black ballot box; open auxiliary bin door
- Document / remove seal on tabulator bag
- Plug tabulator into battery backup / surge protector through ballot box
- Compare seal numbers to return, slide tabulator onto ballot box rails



## **Moderator's Duties** Before the Polls Open

- Inspect and sign 3 "zero" tapes, leave last in machine
- Ensure the public counter (LCD screen) reads "0"
- If the tabulator malfunctions or is not set up correctly: <u>Voting Continues</u> (Ballots go in "auxiliary bin") <u>Notify Registrars</u> <u>Replace Tabulator</u> with backup



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#### **Moderator's Duties** Before the Polls Open

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#### CERTIFICATE FOR THE OPENING OF THE POLLS

TABULATOR CARRYING CASE SEAL(S)		MEMORY	r card seal(s) for tabulators in use	BALLOT PACKAGES RECEIVE
MODERATOR				ł
SIGNATURE	DATE		TIME	
ASSISTANT REGISTRARS				
SIGNATURE	SIGNATUR	_		F

#### **Moderator's Duties** Before the Polls Open Setting up the IVS Machine

- Plug in printer
- Connect all remaining items to laptop
  - Headphones
  - Printer cable
  - Numerical Keypad
- Load blank paper
- Start up machine
- Follow instructions to print test page (save in diary)



**APPENDIX 7** 

## **Moderator's Duties** After the Polls Open Voting on the IVS Machine

Election official should:

- Obtain correct ballot for district from Ballot Clerk
- Enter Ballot Access Code (9630)
- Escort voter to IVS location, ask if they want to vote an audio ballot or by touchscreen
- Select proper ballot style
- Load ballot into printer
- Leave area to allow voter privacy

APPENDIX 7

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## Moderator's Duties

After the Polls Open

#### Enforce those who may be in the polls

- Electors (while voting)
- Election Officials
- People assisting at elector's request
- Children of elector
- ✓ Secretary of the State designees
- X Candidates and campaigns
- Candidates, employer or union representatives assisting voters X Non-electors seeking to go

- ✓ Unofficial Checkers & Runners
- ✓News Media
- ✓ Student Observers

Bake Sale / ROV-Approved nonpartisan activities (outside voting room only)

Electors lingering after finished voting

Non-electors seeking to go past the checkers into the voting area **Pages A9-A12** 

## **Moderator's Duties** After the Polls Open

#### Challenges

Any elector lawfully in the polling place may "challenge" another's eligibility to vote for one of two reasons:

- Identity (challenged voter is not who they claim)
- Lack of residence (challenged voter lives out of district)

The Moderator will consider the challenge and make a ruling: if upheld, the voter's ballot is sealed in an envelope. Use forms 5/6.

Burden of proof is on the person making challenge, who must give a sworn statement.

**APPENDIX 2** 

### **Moderator's Duties** After the Polls Open

#### **Provisional Ballots**

Available in Federal elections for any who request it:

- For those not on official list, inactive list, and can't be restored by Registrars and swears they are eligible
- No ID when required ("asterisk voters")
- Voter is challenged, and Moderator accepts challenge

Added to Provisional Ballot Inventory (Form 7) if <u>not</u> on list, name on list marked with "PB" if they <u>are</u> on the list. Provide receipt to provisional ballot voter.

Tip: Same Day Registration may be a better option for manyrequesting provisional ballotsPage E6

#### **Moderator's Duties** After the Polls Open

#### Maintain Ballot Box

- Black ballot box should be emptied every 1000 ballots
- Moderator announces to polling place that the ballot box will be emptied
- Move ballots from primary to ballot transfer bag, apply seal, record in return
- Use auxiliary bin: voters should not wait to cast ballots



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# **Early Voting**

- New service beginning in 2024; allows voters to appear prior to election to cast a ballot.
- Days / times vary; 8-12 hours per day
- Key differences:
  - Voters checked in on computer (CT Voter Registration System, or voter lookup if system down), not paper
  - Ballot returned in (signed) envelope rather than cast in tabulator
  - Voters may register and vote onsite for general election
  - Ballots sealed and logged at end of each day and returned to secure storage
  - Requires Moderators and other officials per Registrars (flexible)
  - Ballot cannot be rescinded after voting
- No electioneering, privacy, curbside, IVS rules apply as normal.

# **Early Voting Forms**

Affidavit of Delivery and Receipt of Early Voting Ballots:				
Towns Operating Under an Alternative Storage Plan	Dally Early *Include SDR Infor	<b>/oting and S</b> nation <u>only</u> for regula	DR Tally Sheet*	
Note: Use this when ballots are delivered for counting on the day of the primary, in towns where egistrars store ballots under an alternative plan.	Use one (1) form	per district		
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eal numbers, etc.)				
counting Official (Moderator):				
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## **Official Checker's Duties**

Normal voting process:

- Ask voter address and name should read aloud
- Locate on list
- Examine ID
- If OK: Mark name, send to Ballot Clerk
- If not on list or no valid ID: Send to Assistant Registrar

Voters are considered to have voted when they check in – ensure they can receive ballot and proceed to a voting booth before marking name.

#### Page 9

## **Official Checker's Duties**

**Connecticut ID Requirements** 

Acceptable ID criteria for <u>all voters</u> in State/Local elections, and <u>all voters without an asterisk</u> in Federal elections:

- Social Security Card or
- Document with Preprinted Name and Photo
- Document with Preprinted Name and Signature
- Document with Preprinted Name and Address

If sent to Assistant Registrar, voter may return after having signed a form

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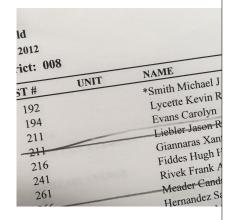
#### Official Checker's Duties HAVA ID Requirements

## Additional requirements for HAVA ("Asterisk") Voters

• Current photo ID with address <u>or</u> a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck or government document that shows name and address of the elector

Exception: members of armed forces and spouses

Must advise Assistant Registrar of asterisk if they have no ID



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## **Official Checker's Duties** Special Criteria

- "Address confidentiality" special ID card, does not to provide address
- "Suppressed addresses" (still required to provide ID / address, but not listed) – back of book
- 17 year-olds who will turn 18 before the general election – back of book (primary only)
- "Grand list" voters (for some referenda) – supplied by assessor

State of Connecticut
Office of the Secretary of the State - Address Confidentiality Program
Certification No.
00
Express
3/10/2009
Is authorized to participate in the CT Address Confidentiality
Program (PA 03-200) to use the following address:
P.O. Box 150/469
30 Timity Street
Hantton, CT 66115-0/469

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## **Assistant Registrar Duties**

#### Assist voters who aren't on the Official Checker's list:

- 1. Check to see if they are inactive
- 2. Check that they are in the right polling place
- 3. Ask if they have a registration receipt
- 4. Contact the Registrars to determine if they should be transferred, added to list, or sent to another location
- 5. (If voter is ineligible) make provisional ballot / voter reg card available

#### Official Checker's Duties End of Night

- Count number of voters checked as voting at the polls (do not include absentee)
- Modify number registered (back of checker book) by adding all names on supplemental list, subtracting all transfers out
- Add figures to "Checker's Certificate" on Moderator's Return

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#### Assistant Registrar Duties Not on List – Restore from Inactive

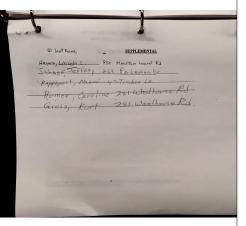
Check Inactive list to see if voter is eligible If present:

- Cross off on inactive list
- Voter completes Voter Registration Application
- Add to supplemental list (with Official Checker) and cross off

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Date of Birth (Month Day Year) 4 (If none, last 4 digits of Soc. Sec. I			State Connecticut
If Different, Address Where You Get Your Mail (P.O. Bo		Telephone Number (optional)	8 Gender Male Femal
Do you wish to enroll in a political party? 9 U YES. Name of party:DemocraticRepub: 1 NO. I do not wish to enroll in a party at this time	10	NAME or ADDRESS CHANGE. Previous Voting No, Street, Apt # Town Count	
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### Assistant Registrar Duties Supplemental List

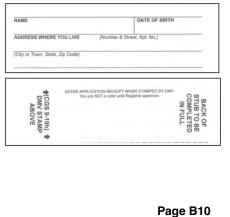
- At rear of Official Checker's list
- Assistant Registrars to make any needed additions
- Cross off after voting
- Add to number of registered at end of night



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### **Assistant Registrar Duties** Voter Registration Receipt

- A voter who registered at a state agency (usually the DMV) may have a (stamped, dated) receipt that they did so
- These voters may be added to the supplemental list and crossed off after completing a new application



## Assistant Registrar Duties Transfers

- A voter who lived in another district in your town can "transfer" in
- Contact Registrars, to confirm transfer, then have voter complete application
- Add to supplemental list and cross off

You will also receive calls to give voting status for transfers <u>out</u> of your district (within town and to other towns) throughout the day

#### Assistant Registrar Duties Additions

 If a Registrar asks you to add a name to the list who was <u>not</u> on the inactive list, you must receive verbal authorization from <u>both</u> Registrars before adding them to the supplemental list.



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#### Assistant Registrar Duties Voter Did Not Show ID

Voter can complete Form 3 if they don't have a valid ID and will be allowed to vote as normal...

#### UNLESS

It's a Federal election and the voter has an asterisk next to their name – <u>may only vote</u> by provisional ballot

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	(b) his/her name and signature, or	nombre y firma del elector, o	
	(c) his/her name and photograph.	(c) el nombre y fotografía del elector.	
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#### **Assistant Registrar Duties** Voter Name Already Crossed Off

<ul> <li>Elector's name already crossed off</li> </ul>	ED-701 (Nex. 7/13)-Secontary of the State FORM 4 AFFIRMATION THAT ELECTOR'S NAME WAS ERRONEOUSLY MARKED AS VOTING ON CHECKLIST
<ul> <li>Elector swears he/she has not voted</li> </ul>	To the Maderator of(of the
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Permitted to vote	am qualified to vote in the election or primary of said party being held in said municipality on this date, and (3) I have not prior to this time offered myself to vote or vote or inter in person or by absentee ballot at said election or primary. Dated at, connection, thisday of, 20
<ul> <li>Mark original name on checklist with "ERR"</li> </ul>	(A.H.) (P.H.)(exact time of day) (Signature)
Possible to rescind absentee ballot until 10am – contact Registrars to pull original	(Address)  Received at (A.M.) (P.M.) on this day of 20,  by (Signature), Nodenator of (Polling Place) *(applicable only in a primary)  Page E4

### Assistant Registrar Duties Curbside Voting

- Service for incapacitated voters (unable to get into polling place)
- Both Assistant Registrars act together to:
  - Check voter in
  - Bring ballot in privacy sleeve
  - Assist (if requested)
  - Return ballot to tabulator
- May require extra forms / multiple trips!



## **Ballot Clerk's Duties**

- Provide ballot and privacy folder to each voter
- Direct voter to open voting booth (or accessible system)
- Spoil and reissue ballot when returned by voter

Voters can:

- Get unlimited additional ballots
- Spend unlimited time voting



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## Ballot Clerk's Duties Spoiling a Ballot

- Slide ballot out of privacy sleeve
- Mark through five bars of "timing chain" and write "spoiled" or "abandoned" and place in envelope without looking
- Issue new ballot to voter



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	MODERATOR'S RETURN · 11/2/2017 ELECTION · HO	METOWN, CT DISTRICT 1
Ballot Clerk's	BALLOT LOG WOR	KSHEET
Duties	TO BE COMPLETED BY THE BALL	OT CLERKS
End of Night	Total number of ballot packages received at the opening of the polls Total number of ballot packages received <u>after</u> the opening of the polls	
Complete and sign	Total number of ballot packages opened during the election	
"Ballot Log"	Total number of ballot packages unopened at the close of the polls	
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	Total number of spoiled ballots	
	Total number of abandoned ballots	
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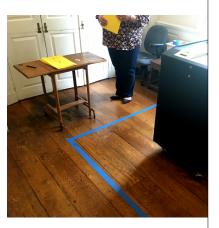
#### **Tabulator Tender's Duties**

#### Normal process:

- Voter submits ballot into tabulator
- Returns privacy folder to tab tender
- Receives "I Voted" sticker
- Directed to exit

#### Other tasks

- Identify and help correct problems
- Notify Moderator of jams
- Direct voters to use auxiliary bin when tabulator is out of service or ballot rejected
- Return privacy folders to Ballot Clerk (keep one at station)
- "Fleeing Voters"



### **Tabulator Tender's Duties** Voting in the Tabulator

Place privacy folder on top of BALLOT NOT READ -PLEASE REINSERT POWER FAIL any returned / partially TEST BALLOTS? exposed ballot. OVERVOTE OK TO FORMAT BLANK VOTED BALLO THIS MEM CARD MEMORY CARD BAD COUNTED BALLOT -PLEASE REMOVE JAMMED IN READER RETURNED BALLOT AMMED IN READER VALID BALLOT -SEE OFFICIAL RACE Page B21-B23

# Other Officials **Head Moderator**

In multiple-district towns:

- The Head Moderator compiles and certifies all results from the polling places into a final report
- Oversees recanvass (close/tied vote, discrepancy in returns)
- May have role in pollworker training
- Should familiarize themselves with online reporting system prior to election day

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# Other Officials Absentee Ballot Counters

- May be at the polls or at a central location
- Work in party-matched pairs
- Examine ballot envelopes (for proper signatures and disqualifying problems) and ballots (for voter intent)
- Rely on Moderator to decide any disagreement on how / whether to count ballot
- Fills out "Certificate of Absentee Ballot Count" in Moderator's Return

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# Other Officials Absentee Ballot Moderator

- Oversees Absentee Ballot counters at a central location (if used)
- Must keep materials separate for each district, complete individual returns for each
- Unlike polling place, must allow public to observe

# Other Officials (Non Early) **Same Day Registration**

- Voters may register and vote on Election Day at a "same day registration" location – have an awareness of the election type, only for general elections (no referenda / primary / special election)
- Similar to Early Voting, though no Moderator – ballots transmitted to AB counting location

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# Preparing to Close

- Polls close at 8pm
- Those in line permitted to vote close doors and station a worker at the end of the line
- After last person in line votes, invite any public in to observe canvass procedures

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## The Canvass

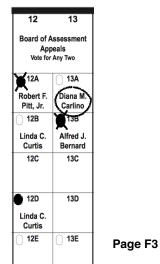
- Checkers count list of those voting
- Ballot clerks count loose ballots and packages
- Moderator attempts to cast any ballots in auxiliary bin, then either:
  - Hand counts remaining ballots
  - "Overrides" remaining ballots on tabulator
  - Returns remaining ballots to Head Moderator (under seal)

#### Once started, canvass must be completed!

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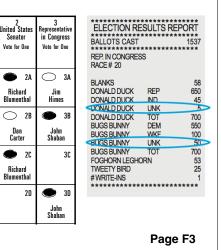
# Hand Counted Ballots

- Use "voter intent" standard, even if tabulator would misread
- If intent is unclear for one race, remaining should still be counted
- Make sure voter has not chosen more than the maximum allowed before recording



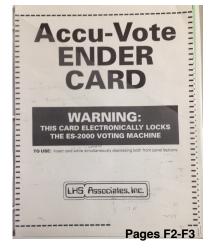
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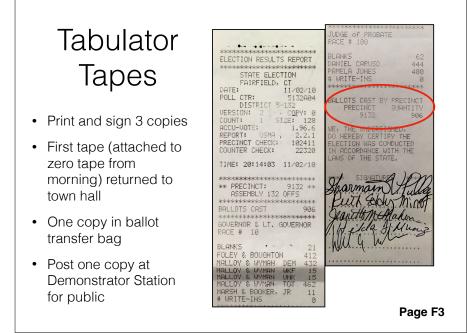
- "UNK" votes on tape reflect a ballot where a candidate was "crossendorsed" by more than one party, and the voter filled times
- Only counts once



# Closing the Tabulator

- Remove printer cover and unlock ballot box front cover
- Use white or pink "Ender Card" packaged in tabulator case while holding YES and NO
- Result tape will begin printing immediately





#### Write-In Votes State Election November 8, 2016 Examine the bottom row on Connecticut Official Ballot 1 'residential Jectors for Jote for Dee 2 Joited State Senator Vote for One 7 Judge of Probate To Fill Vacans Vote for One ballots in the write-in bin Representative in Congress Vote for One ARTY • Record votes for all registered • O 1A O 2A Cliston and Richard O 3A 0 44 ○ 5A O 6A MOCRATIC PART write-ins and for candidates on Richard Blumentha Jim Himes Carolanne Curry Bonnie Troy Joanne L Periman Sharon Wic Dornfeld the ballot Trump and Pence O 28 O 38 O 48 0 58 0 18 . PUBLICAN PAR Dan Carter John Shaban Toni Adam Dunsby Апу Alcatt Daniel O'Grady · Ignore candidates who aren't on RKING FAMILIE Richard PARTY the ballot or the write-in list 0 30 ۲ INDEPENDENT Don't re-count the races where PARTY John Shaban Adam Dunsby O 1E 0 2 voters didn't write anyone in BERTARIAN PART Johnson and Weld Richard Lion O 1F Stein and Baraka 0.5 If cross-endorsed candidate is GREEN PARTY Jeffery Russell Bonnie Tray written in. count vote as O 26 O 46 O 56 O 66 0 1 **9** 36 WRITE-IN VOTES "unknown party" Page F4

# What to Bring Back

- Moderator's Return (Complete each page and ensure signatures are in place before dismissing workers)
- Official checklists
- Moderator's Diary
- Voted Provisional or Challenged Ballots (Sealed)
- All voter-signed forms
- Voted ballots and tabulators (May be locked in secure location per Registrar direction)



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## Securing Materials

- Clearly mark and seal ballot containers
  - Machine counted ballots
  - Write-in ballots
  - Auxiliary bin / hand count ballots
  - Absentee ballots
  - Spoiled / abandoned ballots
- Seal tabulators
- Write seal numbers in Moderator's Return
- Organize materials to prevent surprise or confusion in a recanvass





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## Moderator's Return

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#### POLLING PLACE TALLY SHEET

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