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ELECTION GUIDE FOR JURISDICTIONS

**INCLUDES LOCAL VOTERS' PAMPHLET
ADMINISTRATIVE RULES**

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Local Voters' Pamphlet

Publication of Local Voters' Pamphlet

There will be a voters' pamphlet for both the Primary and the General Election in 2016. Clark County will publish a local voters' pamphlet for the Primary. The Office of the Secretary of State will publish a state voters' pamphlet for the General Election for statewide measures and state and federal offices. The pamphlet for local measures and offices for Clark County will be inserted into the state voters' pamphlet for the General Election.

Jurisdictions or special districts with measures or candidates on the ballot are automatically included in the voters' pamphlet, unless the legislative authority of the jurisdiction or special district petitions the Board of County Councilors to waive this requirement due to financial hardship. The deadline for requesting a waiver is **Tuesday, April 5, 2016** for the Primary local voters' pamphlet and **Tuesday, May 24, 2016** for the General Election voters' pamphlet.

For each measure, the pamphlet includes:

- Official ballot title.
- Explanatory statement.
- "For" and "Against" statements, if submitted.
- Rebuttal statements, if submitted.
- Committee contact information.
- Full text of a resolution calling for an election.

The local voters' pamphlet is available in print and on our website. Clark County Elections also produces an audio voters' pamphlet for the blind and for visually impaired voters.

The Elections Office will determine how the local voters' pamphlet will be distributed based on the size of the election and the number of jurisdictions participating in it. The local voters' pamphlet may be distributed in one of the following ways:

- By mail to all households (saturation).
- By mail to all registered voter households (one per household).

Each year, the Elections Office will notify all jurisdictions within Clark County of its intent to publish a local voters' pamphlet. Notification will be by mail and will occur at least 90 days before the publication and distribution of the pamphlet.

Voters' Pamphlet Contents

Rules and Regulations for the 2016 Clark County Primary and General Election Local Voters' Pamphlets

The contents of the voters' pamphlet are as follows:

1. The cover will feature the words "Clark County Official Local Voters' Pamphlet, August 2, 2016 Primary" for the Primary and "Clark County Official Local Voters' Pamphlet, November 8, 2016 General Election" for the General Election. The cover will also include the following statement, "Published by the Clark County Auditor's Office."
2. A list of jurisdictions participating in the election will be printed on the front or inside cover, as space allows.
3. An introductory letter from the County Auditor will appear in the pamphlet.
4. A table of contents will be included.
5. A complete copy of any ballot measure submitted by a jurisdiction will be included. If the measure is a county measure, it will be accompanied by an explanatory statement prepared by the Prosecuting Attorney's Office. If the measure is not a county measure, the explanatory statement will be prepared by the attorney or bond counsel for the jurisdiction that submitted the measure.
6. A required Public Disclosure Commission statement that declares, "For a list of the people and organizations that donated to state and local candidates and ballot measure campaigns, visit www.pdc.wa.gov."
7. The statements "For" and "Against" each ballot measure will be included and the accompanying rebuttals, if submitted.
8. Statements and photographs of the candidates for elective office will be included, if submitted.
9. Any ordinance, which could be repealed or revised by a ballot measure will be included.
10. A list of all ballot deposit locations.

11. Information about registering to vote will be included. A Washington State Voter Registration Form may also be included, if space allows.
12. A disclaimer will be included that states that the Elections Office does not review statements for accuracy, grammatical errors, or punctuation.

**Cost of Participating
in an Election -
RCW 29A.04.410;
RCW 29A.32.270**

Each jurisdiction is responsible for paying its proportionate share of election costs. Clark County will bill the jurisdiction directly for these costs.

The State Auditor's Office has established uniform procedures for allocating election costs to each jurisdiction. The cost is based upon the percentage each jurisdiction's registered voter population comprise of the registered voters in all jurisdictions participating in that election.

Election costs vary from one election to the next depending on a variety of factors. However, the primary variable is the number of participating jurisdictions and their respective sizes. For example, an election shared by ten jurisdictions will likely cost more per voter than an election with 40 jurisdictions.

Special Elections in February and April are often shared by a smaller number of jurisdictions. Thus, the proportionate share of the cost is often greater, and in some cases may be 100% of the cost (e.g., a single jurisdiction election).

A specific cost or quote cannot be provided in advance of an election. The cost allocation is dependent upon the number of jurisdictions and registered voters participating in the election. Estimates can be provided and will be based on a reasonable range, taking into account historical information and specific information known about a particular election date.

The preparation of a local voters' pamphlet is an election cost. It is prorated, charged, and billed to local jurisdictions in the same manner as other election costs.

If a mandatory recount is required for a candidate in a jurisdiction, the cost of the recount is billed to the jurisdiction.

Filing a Resolution and Ballot Title

Submittal Process for Resolutions - RCW 29A.04.330

Resolutions calling for an election by a jurisdiction shall be submitted on or before the resolution deadline established by state law. Resolutions calling for a Special Election in February or April must be submitted at least 60 calendar days prior to the election date. Resolutions calling for an election in conjunction with the Primary or General Election must be submitted by the deadlines for those elections. See page 19 for resolution deadlines.

How to Submit a Resolution

To place a measure on the ballot, a signed copy of the resolution must be received by the deadline. The resolution may be delivered in person, mailed, or emailed to Clark County Elections by the deadline.

Physical location:
Clark County Elections
1408 Franklin Street
Vancouver, WA

Mailing address:
Clark County Elections
PO Box 8815
Vancouver, WA 98666

Email address:
elections@clark.wa.gov

A **Resolution Cover Sheet** is mandatory and must accompany each resolution. This cover sheet contains important contact information required by the Elections Office. A Resolution Cover Sheet is available on the Election's website:
clarkvotes.org

Upon receipt of the cover sheet and resolution, the Elections Office will send a notice of acknowledgment to the jurisdiction's contact person.

**Ballot Titles for
Local Measures -
RCW 29A.36.071;
RCW 29A.72.050**

For measures submitted to the voters of a city or town, the official ballot title is prepared by the city or town attorney. For measures submitted to the voters of a unit of local government other than a city or town (e.g., a county, a fire district or a school district), the official ballot title is prepared by the Clark County Prosecuting Attorney's Office.

The format and content requirements for local measure ballot titles are very specific and must conform to state law. Each ballot title must contain all of the following elements:

- Identification of the enacting legislative body.
- A statement of the subject matter not exceeding 10 words in length.
- A concise description of the measure not exceeding 75 words in length.
- A question.

Resolutions submitted by jurisdictions that need a ballot title prepared by the Clark County Prosecuting Attorney's Office will be forwarded to that office.

**Ballot Title Appeal -
RCW 29A.36.090**

Any person dissatisfied with the ballot title for a local measure written by the city attorney, town attorney or Prosecuting Attorney may appeal to the Clark County Superior Court pursuant to RCW 29A.36.090.

Resolution Cover Sheet Sample



RESOLUTION COVER SHEET

This form MUST accompany each original or certified copy of the resolution. Contact person or persons should have the authority to approve change and to answer questions.

Name of District: _____

District Address: _____

Date of Election: _____

Contact Person: _____ Title: _____

Contact Phone Number: _____ Fax Number: _____

Contact Email: _____

2nd Contact Person: _____ Title: _____

2nd Contact Phone Number: _____

2nd Contact Email: _____

Attorney for District: _____

Attorney Phone Number: _____

Attorney Email Address: _____

Type of election (levy, bond, lid lift, etc.): _____

Please state the pass/fail requirements for this measure (i.e. Simple Majority, 60% etc.) as determined by your legal counsel, together with applicable statutory references: _____

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Voters' Pamphlet Statements

Explanatory Statement for Local Measure - RCW 29A.32.241

Each ballot title for the Primary and General voters' pamphlets must be accompanied by an explanatory statement. The explanatory statement is prepared by the Prosecuting Attorney for county measures. If the measure is not a county measure, the explanatory statement is prepared by the attorney for the jurisdiction submitting the measure. Explanatory statements submitted for the voters' pamphlet shall contain the name, address and phone number of the person submitting the statement.

The purpose of an explanatory statement is to state the effect of the proposed measure if it is approved by the voters. It must be impartial, written in clear and concise language, avoid the use of legal and technical terms whenever possible, and conform to the formatting requirements discussed below. If prepared by the jurisdiction, proof of approval by the jurisdiction's attorney must be submitted at the same time as the resolution.

If a jurisdiction doesn't provide proof of its attorney's approval in the form of a cover letter or an email, or if a jurisdiction doesn't retain legal counsel, the statement shall be submitted to the Prosecuting Attorney for review or preparation.

Length

Explanatory statements must be **100** words or less and must be in block paragraph format.

Format

Italics may be used to emphasize specific words or statements. Any other formats such as bold font, underlined font, or all caps will be changed to italics.

Lists or bullets are not allowed. Lists or bullets will be converted to a block paragraph, with a semicolon to separate each item.

How to Submit an Explanatory Statement

Explanatory statements may be submitted by email, in person or by mail and are due by the same deadline as the resolution and cover sheet. Please see page 19 for deadlines.

Once the “For” and “Against” committees for the explanatory statements are appointed, the voters’ pamphlet coordinator for the Elections Office will email the members of the committees with deadlines, a link to this manual, the full text of the resolution, explanatory statements, and final ballot titles.

**Establishing
Committees “For”
and “Against” a
Local Measure -
RCW 29A.32.280**

For each measure from a jurisdiction that is included in the local voters’ pamphlet, the legislative authority of that jurisdiction shall formally appoint committees “For” and “Against” the measure. This must be done by the statutory deadline.

The jurisdiction shall appoint people known to favor the measure to serve on the “For” committee and shall appoint people known to oppose the measure to serve on the “Against” committee.

If such people are not immediately known, the jurisdiction is encouraged to formally notify the public that members of the “For” and “Against” committees are being sought.

Each committee shall not have more than three members; however, a committee may seek the advice of other people.

The committees are solely responsible for submitting their statements to the Elections Office by email at elections@clark.wa.gov in accordance with the specified timeline for each election. See page 19.

Appointments by the Auditor

If a jurisdiction fails to appoint “For” and “Against” committees by the jurisdiction’s deadline, the Auditor’s Office will seek out and, whenever possible, appoint up to three members to each committee.

If the jurisdiction has appointed at least one member to a committee, the Elections Office will consider the committee to be formed. The Elections Office won’t seek or appoint additional members.

When the Elections Office is responsible for finding and appointing committee members, it may, in its sole discretion, seek appointments through emails, press releases and notices on the Election’s website.

The County Auditor shall have the authority to grant any deadline extension which the Auditor feels is in the best public interest. If an extension is granted to a committee, it will also be granted to the opposing committee. Extensions will not be granted for failure to submit materials by the deadlines listed on page 19.

The committee shall elect a chairperson and shall immediately notify the Elections Office by email of the names, addresses, email addresses and telephone numbers of the committee members. Committees may select other people to serve as an advisory committee. Only the names of the three committee members will be listed in the local voters’ pamphlet.

It is not the responsibility of the Elections Office to coordinate communications between committee members or to arbitrate disagreements among them.

If a committee member wishes to withdraw before a statement has been submitted, he or she must notify the Elections Office in writing at least 24 hours prior to the submittal deadline for the statement. Should a committee member wish to withdraw after the statement has been submitted, the withdrawal will be honored provided at least one member remains on the committee.

Once statements have been submitted, they are considered final and may not be amended.

Committee Statements

“For” and “Against” Statements

Length

“For” and “Against” statements must be **250** words or less and must be in block paragraph format.

If a “For” or “Against” statement is received before the deadline and exceeds the word limit, the committee will be notified by email and asked to delete words, paragraphs or sentences. Only deletions are allowed. Changes or additions to the statement will not be allowed. The shortened statement must be received by the deadline.

If the deadline has passed and the statement exceeds the word limit, full sentences from the end will be deleted until the limit is reached.

Format

Up to four paragraphs may be used.

Up to four headings may be used. Headings will be included in the word count.

The Auditor’s Office reserves the right to eliminate excessive paragraph returns if the statement doesn’t fit within the space provided.

Italics may be used to emphasize specific words or statements. Any other formats such as bold font, underlined font, or all caps will be changed to italics.

Lists or bullets are not allowed. Lists or bullets will be converted to a block paragraph, with a semicolon to separate each item.

The names of committee members, a contact phone number, an email address, and/or a website address will be printed in the local voters' pamphlet, but will not be included in the 250 word count. At least one method of contact (phone, email, website address) must be provided to be printed in the local voters' pamphlet.

Committee member names and the email address for the committee chairperson will be provided to interested parties upon request. The request can be by email or phone. A formal "Request for Public Information" is not required for this information.

Content

Pursuant to RCW 29A.32.230, the Elections Office may reject material submitted for publication. This material may be an explanatory statement, a "For" or "Against" statement, a rebuttal statement or contact information that:

- Is obscene;
- Is libelous;
- Contains an advertisement;
- Contains content prohibited by law from distribution through the mail;
- Contains content that doesn't pertain to a candidate, a measure or a political office;
- Contains content that is inappropriate or that does not comply with the law; or
- Was received after the submittal deadline.

How to Submit "For" or "Against" Statements

"For" or "Against" statements must be submitted in writing and are due by the deadline. Please see page 19 for deadlines.

Rebuttal Statements

If both “For” and “Against” statements are submitted, the voters’ pamphlet coordinator will email each statement to the committee that wrote the opposing statement.

Rebuttal statements are not required, but they are a way for a committee to provide a response to the opposing committee’s statement.

If a committee does not submit a “For” or “Against” statement, the committee cannot submit a rebuttal statement.

Length

Rebuttal statements must be **75** words or less and must be in **one** block paragraph.

If the rebuttal statement exceeds the word limit, full sentences from the end will be deleted until the limit is reached.

Format

No headings may be used in rebuttal statements.

Italics may be used to emphasize specific words or statements. Any other formats such as bold font, underlined font, or all caps will be changed to italics.

Lists or bullets are not allowed. Lists or bullets will be converted to a block paragraph, with a semicolon to separate each item.

Content

Rebuttal statements may not introduce new issues or arguments and must only address issues and arguments in the opposing statement.

How to Submit Rebuttal Statements

Rebuttal statements must be submitted in writing and are due by the deadline. Please see page 19 for deadlines.

**General Provisions
Applicable to All
Statements**

The contents of candidate statements, explanatory statements, “For” or “Against” statements and rebuttal statements are the sole responsibility of the authors and do not represent the position of the Auditor’s Office or of Clark County. The Auditor’s Office and Clark County are not responsible for the validity or accuracy of statements.

Statements should be edited and prepared as carefully as one would edit and prepare a resume. Spelling, grammar and punctuation errors will not be corrected. Statement content will be printed exactly as it is received, as long as it complies with format specifications.

Microsoft Word will be used to verify the word count of each statement. Each part of a hyphenated or slashed word will be counted as a separate word, for example, “and/or” equals two words and “around-the-corner” equals three words.

Make sure the contact information that will be included in the pamphlet is accurate and functional.

Once statements have been submitted in writing, they are considered final and may not be amended.

**Public Inspection of
Statements -
RCW 29A.32.100**

Statements submitted for publication in the local voters’ pamphlet are not available for public inspection or for copying until all statements pertaining to the specific ballot measure have been received or until the submission deadline has passed. Requests for public inspection of statements shall be made in the same manner as requests for public records.

**Rejection and
Repeal -
RCW 29A.32.230**

Rejection

Pursuant to RCW 29A.32.230, the Elections Office may reject certain materials submitted for publication in the local voters' pamphlet. These materials may include candidate statements, explanatory statements, "For" or "Against" statements, rebuttal statements and contact information.

If an explanatory statement, candidate statement, "For" or "Against" statement, rebuttal statement or any contact information is rejected by the director of the Elections Office or by the Prosecuting Attorney, a rejection notice will be emailed to the submitter not more than two business days after the deadline and will identify the grounds for the rejection.

Appeal

The submitter of material that has been rejected may appeal the rejection. A notice of appeal must be submitted in writing to the Auditor not more than 48 hours after the notice of rejection was sent and must declare the specific grounds for appeal. The Auditor will email a decision granting or denying the appeal not more than five business days after the appeal is submitted. The decision of the Auditor to grant or deny an appeal shall be final.

Statements at a Glance

Statement Type	Word Limit	Formatting
Explanatory Statement	100	Allowed: Italics Not Allowed: Bold font, underlined font, ALL CAPS, lists, bullets
“For” and “Against” Statement	250	Allowed: Italics Up to four headings, each preceding a paragraph. Headings are included in word limit. Not Allowed: Bold font, underlined font, ALL CAPS, lists, bullets
Rebuttal Statement	75	Allowed: Italics Not Allowed: Bold font, underlined font, ALL CAPS, lists, bullets
Contact Information	Does not count as part of word limit.	Allowed: Committee member names; Phone number; Email address; Website; Committee name At least one method of contact (phone, email, or website) must be provided. Not Allowed: Titles for committee members (Dr., President, Ph.D.)

All Statements

Material submitted for publication in the local voters’ pamphlet may be rejected if:

- It is obscene;
- It is libelous;
- It contains an advertisement;
- It contains content prohibited by law from distribution through the mail;
- It contains content that doesn’t pertain to a candidate, to a measure or to a political office;
- It contains matter that is otherwise inappropriate or that does not comply with applicable law; or
- It was received after the deadline.

2016 Submittal Deadlines

Deadlines are 5 pm on each designated day.

ELECTION DATES	FEB. 9, 2016	APR. 26, 2016	AUG. 2, 2016	NOV. 8, 2016
Jurisdiction's Responsibility and Deadlines				
Resolution	Dec. 11, 2015	Feb. 26, 2016	May 13, 2016	Aug. 2, 2016
Resolution Cover Sheet	Dec. 11, 2015	Feb. 26, 2016	May 13, 2016	Aug. 2, 2016
Explanatory Statement	N/A	N/A	May 13, 2016	Aug. 2, 2016
"For" and "Against" Committee Appointments (<i>"For" and "Against" committee member names and contact information must be emailed by this date.</i>)	N/A (No voters' pamphlet published.)	N/A (No voters' pamphlet published.)	May 13, 2016	Aug. 2, 2016
Committee's Responsibility and Deadlines				
Statement "For" and Statement "Against" <i>Written by the committees "For" or "Against" the measure.</i>	N/A (No voters' pamphlet published.)	N/A (No voters' pamphlet published.)	May 25, 2016	Aug. 12, 2016
Rebuttal Statement	N/A (No voters' pamphlet published.)	N/A (No voters' pamphlet published.)	May 31, 2016	Aug. 19, 2016

Bond and Levy Validation

Bond and Levy Validation - State Constitution, Article VII, Section 2

Passing a levy or bond issue isn't always a simple matter of "majority rules." State law requires a 60% super majority for bond issues and some types of levies to pass. Other levies such as levy lid lifts and school levies only require a simple majority.

Bond Validation

Bond issues must meet two separate criteria to pass.

First, the issue must validate. The voter turnout must equal 40% of the number of voters from the jurisdiction who voted in the last General Election.

Second, the issue must receive a 60% favorable majority which means 60% of the votes are "Yes" votes. A bond measure could get the required percentage of "Yes" votes, but could still fail if not enough people vote in the election.



Levy Validation (Excluding School Levies)

Levy issues must meet two separate criteria to pass.

First, the issue must validate which means the number of “Yes” votes must equal 24%. This is 60% of the 40% of the voters in the jurisdiction who voted in the last General Election.

Second, the issue must receive a 60% favorable majority which means 60% of the ballots voted are “Yes” votes. A levy measure could get the required percentage of “Yes” votes, but could still fail if not enough people vote in the election.



Levy Validation for Schools

A school district levy requires a simple majority to pass. School bond issues must still validate and require a 60% super majority to pass.

Validation Summary

The validation summary will be posted on the Elections website after the General Election is certified.

Purchasing Election Data

Clark County Voter Data

Voter information is available in the form of electronic data reports or paper data reports. The most current information is available approximately 29 days before each election. Data reports that list voters who have returned their ballots (matchbacks) are also available for purchase.

The data includes:

- Voter's name, registered address, city, state, zip.
- Mailing address.
- Precinct number.
- Date of registration.
- Date of birth.
- Voter history for the last twenty elections. This is optional.
- A field identifying voters who have returned a ballot for a previous election or an election in progress, if eligible to vote in the election.

State law does not allow phone numbers or email addresses to be made public.

Common Data Requests

- Data files of all registered voters in the county or in a specific district or precinct.
- Data files of voters who voted in specific elections.
- Walking lists (voters in order by address/precinct). Does not include voter history.
- Data files of voters who have returned their ballots (matchbacks).

To Order Data or Lists

Visit clarkvotes.org to print out the order form titled **Voter Registration List - Work Order and Affidavit**. Place an order in person by bringing the order form and payment to the Elections Office or place an order by mail by mailing the order form and payment.

The Voter Registration List – Work Order and Affidavit form must be signed by the person receiving the report.

Payment is required in advance for all orders. Your order will generally be completed within 24 hours.

**Restricted Use of
Voter Data -
RCW 29A.08.740**

State law dictates the rules and restrictions on the use of registered voter data. Voter information may not be used for commercial or other nonpolitical purposes.

RCW 29A.08.740 states: “Any person who uses registered voter data for the purpose of mailing or delivering any advertisement or offer for any property, establishment, organization, product, or service or for the purpose of mailing or delivering any solicitation for money, services, or anything of value is guilty of a class C felony punishable by imprisonment in a state correctional facility for a period of not more than five years or a fine of not more than ten thousand dollars or both such fine and imprisonment, and is liable to each person provided such advertisement or solicitation, without the person’s consent, for the nuisance value of such person having to dispose of it, which value is herein established at five dollars for each item mailed or delivered to the person’s residence.”

Voter Data	
CD	\$3.00 (if mailed)
District file	\$12.50
Ballots returned data (matchbacks)	\$50.00 per election
Precinct lists (per precinct)	On website
Maps	
Legislative or County Council district map (large, black and white)	\$20.00
Custom generated map by GIS Department (cost estimate provided at time of inquiry)	

Data Order Form Sample

A form is available on our website: clarkvotes.org

Prepayment is required for all data orders.

CLARK COUNTY ELECTIONS DEPARTMENT VOTER REGISTRATION LISTS - WORK ORDER AND AFFIDAVIT

Instructions:

1. Complete the top and middle portions. If you are purchasing items 1, or 2, read the affidavit section at the bottom and *sign where indicated*.
2. All orders require pre-payment. Make checks payable to "Election Reserve Fund".
3. Bring the completed form to the Elections Department at 1408 Franklin St. or mail to: Clark County Elections, PO Box 8815, Vancouver, WA 98666

Please Print Clearly

Name		Organization / Campaign
Address		City, State, Zip
Phone Number		Email Address
Order Date	Requested Completion Date	Check one: Pick-up (CD) _____ Mail _____ Email _____ FTP Site _____

ITEMS ORDERED - See Elections Price List	AMOUNT
1. Registered Voter List Jurisdiction (check one): Full-county _____ Other District _____ Voting History (Year to Year) _____	
2. Matchback Data - Ballots Voted Jurisdiction (check one): Full-county _____ Other District _____ Email Address _____	Cost per Election
3. OTHER ITEMS	QUANTITY
Precinct Maps Precincts: _____	
Other Maps Full-County _____	
Copies	
Other Materials Ordered	
Shipping & Handling	
Sub-Total	
Sales Tax	
Total	
Date Paid _____ Paid By: Cash _____ Check Number _____	Amount Paid

AFFIDAVIT FOR PURCHASE OF REGISTERED VOTER LISTS		} AFFIDAVIT	
I hereby certify that the listing of registered voters that I have purchased from Clark County on this day shall be used only for political purposes and shall not be used for commercial purposes. I understand that under Washington State law, RCW 29A.08.740, violations of this provision regarding use of registered voter lists is a felony punishable by imprisonment and fine. (Please read warning on reverse side, or attached.)			
Office Use Only	Name	Date	
Date	Signature		
Witnessed by Deputy County Auditor	Address		
	City, State, Zip		

How to Get Election Results

Election Results

Election results are available online at approximately 8:15 pm on Election Night at

clarkvotes.org

Election results are available at approximately 8:15 pm on Election Night at the Clark County Elections Office, 1408 Franklin Street, Vancouver. To be present for the results, citizens must arrive before 8 pm as the doors close at that time.

Election results are available at approximately 8:30 pm on Election Night on the sixth floor of the Public Service Center at 1300 Franklin, Vancouver for the Primary and are available at Gaiser Hall at Clark College, 1933 Fort Vancouver Way, Vancouver for the General Election.

About this Guide

After Election Day

Elections Office staff will verify, open, and count ballots and will update election results until the election is certified.

This guide should be used in conjunction with state and local laws, not in place of them. The Revised Code of Washington, the Washington Administrative Code and other sources are offered as references for additional research. The material contained herein may change due to new legislation, new judicial determinations or rule changes.

The requirements described in this guide serve as the Local Voters' Pamphlet Administrative Rules for Clark County as authorized by RCW 29A.32.230.