

Precinct Election Officials

Date: _____

Time: _____

c. Reopen polls. The commissioner shall enable the option to reopen the polls, but protect it against unauthorized use.

d. Ballot images. Rescinded IAB 7/23/14, effective 8/27/14.

22.261(4) Ballot printing.

a. Format. The office title, instructions about the maximum number of choices the voter can make for the office, the candidate names and all write-in lines associated with each office on the ballot shall be printed in a single column on the same side of the ballot. When describing the maximum number of choices the voter can make for the office, the following description for each office shall be used: “Vote for no more than xx.” Do not include “vote for” language for public measures or judges. All text and the “yes” and “no” choices for each public measure and for each individual judge on a ballot shall be printed in a single column on the same side of the ballot. No office or public measure on any ballot shall be divided to appear in more than one column or on more than one page of a ballot.

b. Instructions for voters. The following instructions shall be printed on ballots:

(1) Voting mark. “To vote, fill in the oval next to your choice.”

(2) Public measures. “Notice to voters. To vote to approve any question on this ballot, fill in the oval in front of the word ‘Yes’. To vote against a question, fill in the oval in front of the word ‘No’.”

22.261(5) System error messages. At the discretion of the commissioner, precinct election officials may be provided with a list of routine error messages, including messages that relate to paper jams, which do not rise to the level of voting equipment malfunctions and the appropriate responses. The officials may be instructed to contact the commissioner or the commissioner’s designee on election day for all other messages or routine errors for which appropriate responses have not been provided by the commissioner.

22.261(6) Record retention. The precinct automatic tabulating equipment uses thermal printers. The maximum anticipated life span of the results from each automatic tabulator is only five years. In order to preserve the permanent record of the precinct results required by Iowa Code section 50.19, the commissioner shall print a copy of the results of each precinct on permanent paper and store these copies with the tally lists from precincts where the precinct automatic tabulators were used.

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