

721—22.262(52) Diebold Election Systems' AccuVote-OS precinct count device.

22.262(1) Security. The commissioner shall have a written security plan for the voting system. Access to voting equipment, programs and passwords shall be limited to those persons authorized in writing by the commissioner. The security plan shall be reviewed at least annually.

a. Passwords used at polling places shall be changed for each election.

b. For each election, the precinct chairperson shall be responsible for the custody and security of the control card and ballot box keys and the security of the voting system.

22.262(2) Configuration choices. The following selections are mandatory for all elections:

a. Reject settings shall be configured as follows:

(1) Return to voters ballots that include one or more overvoted races and blank-voted ballots. Include on the override log the number of times the override option was used for overvoted and blank-voted ballots.

(2) Divert to the write-in ballot bin only ballots with write-in votes.

(3) Do not include reject settings for blank voted races, undervoted races, straight party overvotes, multiparty overvotes or duplicate votes.

b. Tally settings shall be as follows:

(1) The straight party shall be "Exclusive."

(2) The write-in setting shall be "Combined."

22.262(3) Zero totals reports.

a. Long form zero totals reports showing all counters at zero shall be printed following memory card programming, before counting ballots in the Pre-Election Mode and as the ballot reader is opened on election day.

b. The election day zero totals report shall be printed twice. The first copy shall be posted in the polling place for public inspection as required by 721—subrule 22.201(2). The second copy shall remain inside the ballot scanner and form a continuous record of the election with the election results report.

22.262(4) Ballot printing. Although the Diebold Election Systems' GEMS voting system software includes choices for variations in ballot layout, all ballots shall be prepared according to the requirements of Iowa Code sections 43.26 through 43.29 and 49.30 through 49.48. For all elections the voting target shall be an oval printed on the left side of each choice on the ballot.

22.262(5) Preelection testing. All voting equipment shall be tested pursuant to the provisions of Iowa Code section 52.30 and rule 721—22.42(52) and 721—subrule 22.201(2). At the commissioner's discretion, the commissioner may conduct additional tests.

22.262(6) Using AccuVote-OS and AccuVote TSX DRE in the same polling place. After the polls are closed and all ballots have been inserted into the AccuVote-OS scanner, the precinct election officials shall print the results from both devices before transmitting the results by modem. The officials may add the results together and include the combined totals in the tally list.