

VOTE BY MAIL PROCESSING

1. Application for vote by mail arrives in the Election office—date received is entered into VRIS.
2. Ballot is sent out from the Election office—date sent is entered into VRIS
3. Ballot is received from the voter. Ballot & white mailing envelopes are date stamped, date is entered into VRIS, then envelopes are filed until the election.
4. Ballot affidavit name is entered into Poll Pad, and voter is marked as voted.

VOTER ROLL ACCURACY

1. Voter maintenance by cross-checking :
 - Death records.
 - Change of address (in and out of state).
 - Annual census.

COUNTING ACCURACY

1. Every polling location is equipped with tabulators that scan and count the cast ballots.
2. Tabulators are tested with sample ballots to ensure that they are in working order the day of the election.
3. Tabulators aren't connected to the internet at any time during the election.

CHECK AND DOUBLE CHECK

1. Throughout the day, the Election Commission checks to see if the number of ballots cast matches the number of voters checked-in.

FREE FROM INTIMIDATION

1. Election Officials **can't** tell you which candidates or ballot questions to choose. They **can** assist voters with filling out the ballot or refer you to the assisted ballot marking machine.
2. Individuals are prohibited from wearing or bringing candidate advertising into the polling locations.
3. No political candidates are allowed within 250 ft. of polling place.
4. Police are present at the polling locations to assist with any security issues.

SECRET BALLOT

1. Ballots are private—no Election Official will ask you to share how you voted.
2. Ballots voted early are folded and separated in such a way to hide vote selections.
3. Ballots are unfolded in batches to further assist in hiding voters' selections.

OPEN, TRANSPARENT, &

1. Elections are staffed by election officials of all party affiliation.
2. We reach out to party chairs on a yearly basis to ensure we have a list of interested election workers from each of the participating parties.
3. We strive to include election officers from all parties in each precinct, thereby providing free and fair elections for all.

PAPER BALLOTS

1. Paper ballots are used to allow the voter's selections to be counted in the event of a recount.



VOTE

**Medford Election
Commission**

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About:

The Election Commission is responsible for managing and supervising elections, the annual census, and registering voters in the City of Medford, while ensuring compliance with the federal, state and local election laws, policies, and guidelines established by the Massachusetts General Laws and the City of Medford ordinances and municipal code.

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Hours:

M-T-TH 8:30-4:30
W 8:30-7:30
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