

WASHOE COUNTY

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REGISTRAR OF VOTERS

2020 Plan for Public Accommodation to View Ballot Delivery, Receiving and Counting (NRS 293B.354)

Washoe County's central receiving and counting center is located at: 1001 E Ninth St, Bldg A, Rm 135, Reno, NV 89512.

Washoe County has an area established for the members of the public who wish to view the receiving of the ballot cartridges at our central receiving and counting center. We have tables and chairs set aside for anyone who wishes to observe. We use stanchions to allow observation but to keep the observers in a designated area. This same area can be used for observation of absent ballot counting. Our Image Cast Central equipment and servers are inside a locked cage. We open the "side" gate to allow for better viewing for observers.

Our main office lobby is designed to allow meaningful observation of ballot counting (results USB flash drive uploading) by opening the doors at the front of the counting room. There is a low counter outside the counting room between the room and the lobby which allows people to see and hear what is happening during tally without providing physical access to the area. Chairs are available as needed.

We always allow access not only to observers or members of the general public, but also to media, on election night.

Observers at the polls are required to sign that they acknowledge the set of standards prepared by the Secretary of State's Office. A small stanchioned area (2-4 chairs) is set up at each polling place in Washoe County. Our observers are required to stay within that area at all times but are permitted to ask procedural questions based on the flow of traffic and as long as it does not interfere with the processing of voters. They are not permitted to dispute any decisions made by the poll workers, especially those regarding specific voters.

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