



Delaware County Bureau of Elections
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**Delaware County Board of Elections Plan
For Conducting the Statewide Automatic Recount
For the Republican Nomination for U.S. Senate
At the May 17, 2022 Primary**

May 26, 2022

Per the Order of Recount ("Order") that was issued by the Pennsylvania Department of State ("DoS"), the Delaware County Board of Elections ("DCBOE") will perform a recount of the Republican ballots in the contest for U.S. Senate. This is the DCBOE plan for performing the recount.

Location and Dates

The recount will be conducted at the DCBOE's Union Power Plant facility, also known as the Wharf ("UPP/Wharf"), 2501 Seaport Drive, Suite BH120, Chester, Pennsylvania, 19013. Logic & Accuracy testing of the tabulation equipment is scheduled to begin at 1:00 p.m. on May 31, 2022. The recount of the ballots shall begin no sooner than 8:30 a.m. on Wed., June 1, 2022 and shall conclude no later than noon on Tues., June 7, 2022.

The DCBOE will begin work on the recount each day during this period, as needed, from 8:30 a.m. through 4:30 p.m. daily. Hours may be extended if necessary to complete the recount by the deadline.

Ballot-Processing Equipment

At this Primary, the Board used six Canon **DR-G1100** scanners for the original processing of:

- Vote By Mail ballots
- Absentee ballots
- UOCAVA/UMOVA/Military-and-Overseas ballots
- Provisional ballots
- Emergency-ballot-box ballots from

At this Primary, Hart Intercivic precinct scanners were used for the original processing of all Election Day ballots, excepting for the emergency-ballot-box ballots from Lansdowne 10 and Darby Borough 2-2.¹

The DCBOE will recount all ballots on different devices than were used in the initial ballot-counting processes.



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The DCBOE will use Canon **DR-G1100** scanners to recount all ballots that were cast in the precincts on Election Day, excepting for the emergency-ballot-box ballots from Lansdowne 10 and Darby Borough 2-2.

The DCBOE will use Canon **DR-G1130** scanners, which were not used in the original counting process, to recount:

- Vote By Mail ballots
- Absentee ballots
- UOCAVA/UMOVA/Military-and-Overseas ballots
- Provisional ballots, and
- The emergency-ballot-box ballots from Lansdowne 10 and Darby Borough 2-2.

Scanners 1 through 6: Canon model DR-G1100

The DCBOE will use the six Canon DR-G1100 scanners for recounting the Election Day ballots cast in the precincts. Operators will:

- 1) Break the seal on the precinct ballot box.
- 2) Remove all ballots from the precinct ballot box.
- 3) Separate the Republican ballots relevant to the recount and place the Democratic ballots back in the precinct ballot box.
- 4) Review the Republican ballots for any apparent damaged items that may interfere with scanning the ballots.
- 5) Recount all Republican ballots using the Canon DR-G1100 scanner and run a batch report.
- 6) Replace the Republican ballots from that precinct with the Democratic ballots in the ballot box.
- 7) Secure the ballot box with a new tamper-evident seal.
- 8) Log the seal number.
- 9) Mark the ballot box with painter's tape to indicate that the precinct has been recounted.
- 10) The DR-G1100 scanners allow for manual resolution of any overvoted or undervoted ballots in the contest for US Senate.



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Scanners A and B: Canon DR-G1130 scanners

The DCBOE will position two Canon DR-G1130 scanners at the UPP/Wharf for the recount of the Mail-In, Absentee, UOCAVA, Provisional and Lansdowne 10 and Darby Borough 2-2 emergency-ballot-box ballots. The DR-G1130 scanners allow for manual resolution of any overvoted or undervoted ballots in the contest for US Senate.

Workers will follow these procedures for recounting batches in the precinct scanners:

1. Remove only one batch at a time and separate non-ballot paperwork.
2. Separate Democratic ballots from the Republican ballots.
3. Scan only Republican ballots in the DR-G1130 scanner.
4. Run necessary reports for the recount tabulation.
5. Restore all Republican and Democratic ballots from each batch and mark the batch paperwork with painter's tape to indicate that the batch has been recounted.

It may be possible that the mail-in, absentee, provisional and Lansdowne 10 and Darby Borough 2-2 emergency ballot-box ballots are scanned before the Election Day precinct ballots that are being scanned on the DR-G1100 scanners. If that occurs, the DR-G1130 scanners may then be used for the recounting of the precinct ballots following the procedures for Scanners 1 through 6.

Transcribing of ballots

If a ballot is damaged or otherwise cannot be read by the scanner, the ballot will be marked at the top with the scanner station where it was to be scanned: S1, S2, S3, S4, S5, S6, SA or SB. (See diagram of scanning stations on final page of this plan.)

The ballot then will be walked over to the transcription table. The transcription table will be directly in front of an observer area. The transcription table will be staffed by a bipartisan team. The transcribers will follow these procedures:

- Obtain a replacement Republican ballot for the correct precinct.
- Write the serial number from the damaged/unreadable ballot at the top of the replacement/transcription ballot.
- The team shall transcribe onto the replacement ballot only the vote (or the undervote or overvotes, if applicable) from the unscannable Republican ballot for the contest for US Senate.
- The damaged/ ballot and the transcribed replacement ballot then will be returned to the original scanning site for processing with that batch/precinct.



Preservation of ballot batches

In order to preserve the ballots generally for the possibility of additional review(s) or recount(s), the DCBOE will work to preserve original ballot batches. This means that once a batch is processed through any scanner, that batch will be re-assembled with paperwork from the original counting process.

Recount Observers Rules and Spaces

By law, recount observers will be limited to the affected candidate (Oz and McCormick) or their attorney, and two representatives of the affected party (the Republican Party). The campaigns and political party must provide a list, on campaign or party letterhead that lists all observers.

All observers are required to:

- Clear security screening.
- Present government-issued photo identification, and if an attorney, be licensed to practice law in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
- Sign in the observer log, and if an attorney, list the Pennsylvania Bar ID number.

Observers may pose question to the supervisor on the floor. Observers are NOT to do any of the following:

- Pose questions to or interrupt workers who are performing the tasks of opening/re-sealing ballot boxes or batches, separating Republican and Democratic ballots, scanning ballots and re-sealing ballot boxes or reassembling ballot batches.
- Argue with supervisors who manage the recount.
- Touch any of the ballots or related batch/precinct election materials.

Any observer who does not follow the rules and directions of the Board and its staff, or is otherwise disruptive, will be removed and shall not be permitted reentry.

The six DR-G1100 scanners at the UPP/Wharf will be positioned with observer areas between Scanners 2 and 3 and between scanners 4 and 5. Recount observers also will have space directly in front of the DR-G1130 scanners. Recount observers also will have spaces directly in front of the ballot transcribing table. A diagram of the spaces for DCBOE scanners and workers – and observers – is on the following page.

¹At the precinct polling places for Lansdowne 10 and Darby Borough 2-2, there were periods early on Election Day when poll workers used the auxiliary ballot box for voters who were entitled to vote standard ballots but who had been incorrectly provided with provisional ballots that then could not be scanned by the precinct scanner. After being alerted to the errors, the Director of Elections worked with the Sheriff's Department, which delivered an additional ballot box with a special label and a security seal to these two precincts so. Poll workers then could secure these provisional ballots that could not be processed through the precinct scanner and return them with the regular ballot box. This also allowed the original sealed ballot boxes from these two precincts to remain undisturbed. The two emergency ballot boxes then were brought to the UPP/Wharf and opened. The seals were recorded. The provisional ballots were transcribed onto standard ballots, and then scanned on a Canon **DR-G1100** scanner. The transcribed and originals were placed back in the emergency ballot boxes and resealed. Per the requirement to recount ballots on different devices, these ballots from the Lansdowne 10 and Darby Borough 2-2 emergency ballot boxes must be processed through the Canon **DR-G1130** scanners, not the **DR-G1100** scanners.



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**Proposed Diagram of Recount Area at Wharf
(Subject to change, as needed.)**

Worker areas – Recount resolution tables

Worker areas – Recount servers

(S1-Canon **DRG-1100**) ----- **(Observer area)**
Worker areas: Mail-in Recount
(SA and SB - Canon **DR-G1130s**) **(Observer area)**
Ballot transcribing

Worker areas – Precinct recount

(S2-Canon **DRG-1100**) -----

(Observer area).....

(S3-Canon **DR-G1100**) -----

Worker areas – Precinct recount

(S4-Canon **DR-G1100**)-----

(Observer area).....

(S5-Canon **DR-G1100**)-----

Worker areas – Precinct recount

(S6-Canon **DR-G1100**)-----