



Provisional Ballot Review Observers

One authorized representative observer of each candidate in the election and one representative from each political party shall be permitted to be in the room in which the provisional ballots are reviewed; provided, however, that if the number of observers is such that there is not sufficient space to accommodate all observers at one time in the designated observers area while permitting social distancing, then the observers for the two major parties and for the two major Presidential Campaigns shall be permitted to remain in the room at all times, while the other observers shall be permitted to be in the room on a rotating basis as space and health guidelines permit.

Any party or candidate seeking to have an observer at the provisional ballot review must email ElectionBoardMembers@co.delaware.pa.us with the name of each observer they would like to appoint, the observer's address, and—if the observer is the attorney for a party or candidate—the PA Bar number of the observer. Due to security restrictions, observer requests must be received by 5 p.m. on Thursday, May 20, 2021, in order to be approved prior to the start of the provisional ballot review process on Monday, May 24. Requests received after that deadline will be processed on a rolling basis any may not be processed prior to the start of the provisional ballot review.

Observers must be pre-approved in accordance with the process described above and pass a security and health screening in order to be admitted to the provisional ballot review. Each observer must sign the observer log in order to gain admission to the provisional ballot review.

Each observer must remain in the physical area(s) within the room designated for observers. Observers must at all times wear a face mask, observe social distancing, and comply with other safety guidelines. Observers may not disrupt or interfere with Board staff performing the provisional ballot review. Observers shall not be permitted to take photographs, video or audio recordings, or use mobile phones inside the observation area during the provisional ballot review. Any observer who does not remain within the designated observer area, does not comply with safety guidelines, violates the prohibitions against interference with Board staff or against the taking of photographs, recordings, or mobile phone use, or engages in any other disruptive conduct shall be removed from the provisional ballot review. Any observer removed from the provisional ballot review for failure to remain in the designated observer area, failure to comply with safety guidelines, or for any other disruptive conduct shall not subsequently be readmitted to the provisional ballot review.

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