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Use of Electronic Devices within the Polling Place

For the purposes of this section,

- A. A person may not use a wireless communication device or camera within the polling location. For larger precincts, these devices may be used until the voter reaches the interior voting room, including the check-in station.
- B. A person may not use any mechanical or electronic means of recording images or sound within the polling location.
- C. Election officials may require a person who violates this section to turn off the device or to leave the polling place.
- D. This section does not apply to:
 - 1. an election official in conducting their official duties;
 - 2. a voter using a phone or electronic device for accessibility purposes;
 - 3. a voter using a phone to view their sample ballot
 - 4. the use of election equipment necessary for the conduct of the election; or
 - 5. a person who is employed at the location in which a polling place is located while the person is acting in the course of the person's employment.
- E. Reporters or photojournalists may observe the polling location as long as it's not interfering with the conduct of the election. They may not take photo/videos in the interior voting area without prior permission from the county office. County office will provide reporters or photojournalists with guidelines for photography within the polling place.

Guidelines for media include:

- 1. Photographers should not be in the polling place for any extended amount of time and no longer than it takes to get the necessary photos/video
- 2. No continuous live shots from inside the polling place
- 3. Photographers should stay as far away from voters and equipment as possible
- 4. No close-up shots of voters or equipment
- 5. Do not approach voters as they are entering the polling or while they are inside of the polling place
- 6. Interviews can only be conducted outside as the voter is leaving