

Welcome!

# 2020 Blue Earth County Election Judge Training

## Rules and Processes Recap

Objectives:

*Introduction | "Rules and Processes" Training Series | Blue Earth County Specifics  
New Laws | Election Judge Resources | Contact Information*

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## Training Plan

			
<b>Rules &amp; Processes Training</b>	<b>Blue Earth County Specifics</b>	<b>New Election Laws</b>	<b>Election Judge Resources</b>
How do I complete this series of videos?	What is done differently in Blue Earth County?	What changes should I be aware of on Election Day?	Where can I learn more?
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# Election Judge Helpful Reminders

Blue Earth County Specifics

**Let us know if...**

- A spouse or family member is also serving as an Election Judge
- You are a candidate on the ballot (or are a relative or live with a candidate)
- You have any special circumstances impacting your Election Judge service

**Mark your calendars!**

**Aug 11**

 Big elections in 2020 ...means...  

**Nov 3**

 Election Judges will help things run smoothly

**We rely on email...**

- Check it regularly, including spam
- ...@moduselections.com

Complete your training

Plan for your full shift and remember to vote

Request time off of work (may even be with pay)

Hear about assignment and from Head Judge

Dress comfortably and bring food

Don't be late and work your full shift

Work as team, have fun, and stay until dismissed

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## Election Day Specifics

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Specifics

The videos in this series are a good introduction.  
They'll be supplemented with  
Blue Earth County specific information.

We use different equipment:



Poll Pad Electronic Roster  
*check-in and register voters*



DS200 Tabulator  
*counts votes*



OmniBallot  
*assistive device  
for voters*

### Other Potential Differences:

- Names/roles assigned to judges in polling places
- Resources and tools provided on Election Day
- Layouts of polling places
- COVID-19 impacts

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## Election Day Specifics

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Specifics

Rely on checklists and information sheets provided in Polling Place.  
Rely on Head Judge and County Election Staff to provide information.

Setting Up Polling Place	During Election Day	Closing the Polling Place
Follow checklists/info and work as a team	Follow checklists/info and work as a team	Follow checklists and work as a team
Sign "Oath of Election Judge" form	Use county-provided <b>Incident Logs</b> to make note of any unusual events or problems (when in doubt, document it)	Voters in line at 8pm are entitled to vote
Plan for social distancing (booths, chairs)	Wear name tags ( <i>first name, no party listed</i> )	Start closing equipment only after last voter
Consider traffic flow of polling place	Complete Election Judge duties as best you can, using guides and resources	Polling place opens to public after last voter
Display all provided signs and American flag	Treat all voters equally and professionally	Make sure all voted ballots are tabulated
Set up OmniBallot to ensure privacy	Assist voters only to extent they request	Complete <b>End of Night Checklist</b>
Prepare (and initial) adequate ballot supply	Keep polling place clean, sanitized, orderly	Pack up items according to instructions
Mark off 6 foot boundary around tabulator	Maintain blank ballot security and counts	Election Judges stay until directed to leave
<b>Be ready and open polls at 7am</b>		Call county with questions – we can help!

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## Be aware of these Election Laws

### New Election Laws

 <p><b>Voter Assistance</b> Voter can have anyone assist them in polling place EXCEPT voter's employer or union representative.</p>	 <p><b>Campaigning on Election Day</b> Campaigning in or near the polling place is PROHIBITED. This includes speech, clothing, etc. that discusses a candidate, party, or question on the ballot. If a voter refuses to comply, have Head Judge ask again and then document refusal. Voter is still allowed to vote, however they should be helped through process quickly.</p>	 <p><b>Polls Open at 7am</b> No exceptions – even if equipment is not working, polls open and alternative voting measures are used.</p>
 <p><b>Election Judge Party Affiliation</b> Your party affiliation may be shared with Election Judges in your Polling Place for elections purposes only.</p>	 <p><b>Curbside Voting</b> Curbside voting is available to any voter who is unable to enter the polling place to vote.</p>	 <p><b>Voter Assistance</b> No limit to the number of voters an "assistant" in the polling place may help (previously was max of 3).</p>
 <p><b>Polls Close at 8pm</b> However, voters in line at 8pm can complete the voting process, provided they don't leave spot in line.</p>		 <p><b>Delayed Election Results</b> Early voting changes and state law prohibiting release of partial vote totals may delay final results by days.</p>

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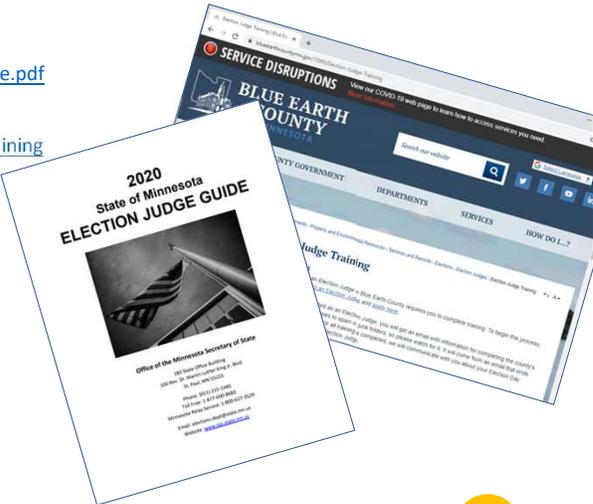
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## Election Judge Resources

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**Election Judge Resources**

- 2020 Election Judge Guide
  - <https://www.sos.state.mn.us/media/2090/election-judge-guide.pdf>
- Blue Earth County website
  - <https://www.blueearthcountymn.gov/1080/Election-Judge-Training>
- In-Person Election Judge Capstone Session (optional)
- Your Head Judge (and other experienced judges)
- Election Day information provided in the polling place
- Presentation/videos
- Your Election Judge portal
- County elections office phone



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Thanks...and here's contact info...

Thank You



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