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Important Information About This Election

All judges of election must read this handbook so that they may familiarize themselves with the equipment and procedures that will be utilized at the election.

These include:

Ballot Scanner—Every precinct will have a ballot scanner, ballot box and official ballots. Voters will make their choices by marking the ballot that contains the offices and names of candidates. The voters will use a ballot marker to connect the arrow to the right of the candidates' names. Once the voter

completes his or her voting, the ballot will be fed into the ballot scanner. The scanner will read the ballot choices, and inform the voter of possible errors, such as, voting for too many candidates for the same office (overvote), not voting for any candidates (blank ballot) and no judge's initials.

Memory Pack—The memory pack is located inside the ballot scanner. **YOU DO NOT NEED TO INSERT THE MEMORY PACK.** It will store the votes cast on the ballot scanner and will be used to transmit the results to the Board's office after the polls close. After the polls close, make sure to unplug the ballot scanner before removing the memory pack.

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Legal, investigative, procedural and language assistance

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(Election Day only 5:00 am–10:00 pm)

EQUIPMENT/SUPPLIES

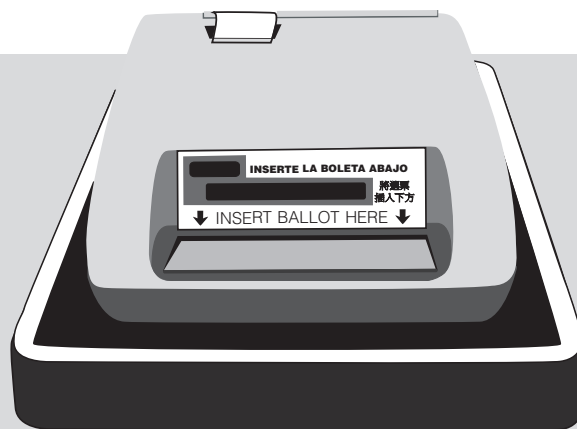
Problems with equipment or missing supplies

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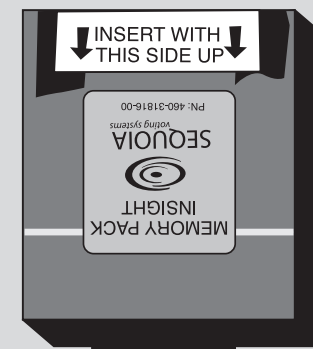
(Election Eve (Monday)

5:00 pm–7:00 pm,

Election Day 5:00 am–10:00 pm)



Ballot Scanner



Memory Pack

Ballot Box—The ballot scanner unit will sit atop a ballot box, which will store the voted ballots. The ballot box will be assembled by the judges of election prior to the opening of the polls.

Touchscreen Voting Unit—Every precinct will have a touchscreen voting unit. The touchscreen unit is designed to allow people with disabilities, such as the blind, to vote privately and independently. The touchscreen unit comes with audio headphones and a controller to guide the sight-impaired through the balloting process. However, if the touchscreen is not in use by a disabled person, any voter may

request to cast their ballot on this equipment. The touchscreen voting unit also incorporates a printed record of each vote so that voters may review a paper record of their selections, prior to finalizing their ballot. The paper ballot is retained within the touchscreen unit to provide a permanent printed record of the election. THE TOUCHSCREEN VOTING UNIT MUST BE SET UP PRIOR TO THE OPENING OF THE POLLING PLACE.

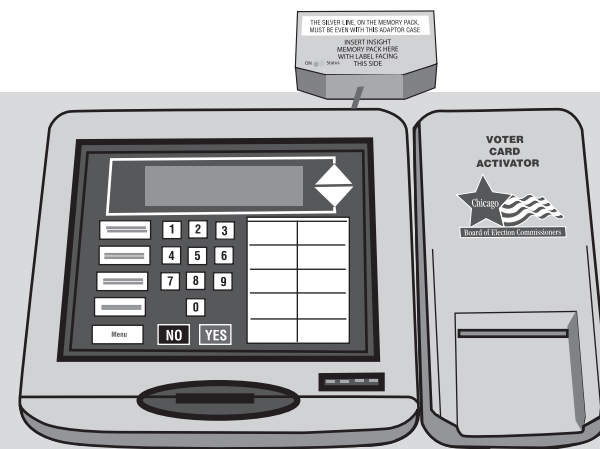
Voter Card Activator—The voter card activator has multiple tasks. It activates a voter card for the touchscreen unit based upon the ballot style for each voter. After the polls close, the activator consolidates the results from the touchscreen and the ballot scanner and produces results tapes as a paper record of the unofficial vote totals. It also transmits the consolidated results to the Board's central computer.



Ballot Box



Touchscreen



Voter Card Activator