



ELECTIONS BULLETIN

FOR THE NOVEMBER 4, 2008 GENERAL ELECTION

To: All Town Clerks

From: Melanie Hodge, Elections Administrator

Date: September 26, 2008

Warnings and Notice to Voters (ENCLOSED) must be posted not later than Sunday, October 5, 2008:

Enclosed are five (5) warnings and notices to voters for each of the polling locations that you have. A warning and checklist must be posted in at least two public places and in or near the town clerk's office. 17 V.S.A. §2641

General Election ballots will arrive not later than Monday, October 6, 2008: Please open boxes and check the ballots as soon as possible. You will receive 100% of your checklist. Notify us immediately if there are any errors on your ballots. All towns will receive the entire shipment of ballots at once.

Sample General Election ballots must be posted not less than 20 days before the General Election in at least two public places and in or near the town clerk's office (no later than October 15th). Please make sure that you mark "SAMPLE BALLOT" boldly across the ballot and put a line through the boxes or ovals before posting.

JP Ballots: For paper ballot towns, you should have created your own JP Ballot. For most of the vote tabulator towns, your JP ballot is on the back side of the statewide ballot. Please make sure that you send all ballots to the voters who request an early or absentee ballot.

Tally and Summary Sheets and the Official Return of Votes will be received before October 24th.

Wednesday, October 29, 2008 is the deadline for applications for addition to the checklist. Town and city clerk offices must be open from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. for voter registration.

Vote Tabulator Towns: Clerks that use the tabulator need to run a test deck of ballots through their machines as soon as they receive their configured memory cards from LHS. (All towns must send 2 memory cards to LHS and receive 2 memory cards configured for the Primary.) Please notify LHS immediately if you have any problems.

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