Office Use Only

COOS COUNTY ELECTIONS

November 28, 2023

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OBSERVER AGREEMENT AND REQUEST FORM

Coos County Elections welcomes observers. It is important to us that all citizens feel confident in the process, feel welcome to come watch and ask questions. Below is a list of our expectations. This is done in order to keep our observation area pleasant for all and comply with State laws. Please review all materials provided by the Elections Office before arrival.

- 1. I will conduct myself in a professional manner.
- 2. I will turn off my cell phone and/or other electronic device and store it, along with all other personal items, in a provided locker.
- 3. I understand, I am not allowed to take pictures, video or audio recording inside the Elections building. Observers found doing so will receive one warning and then be asked to leave if they continue.
- 4. I understand, I am not allowed to be in possession of a weapon within the courthouse, with the exception of those belonging to authorized law enforcement officers. Concealed weapons permits do not apply.
- 5. I will respect the privacy of voters seeking assistance and/or casting a ballot.
- 6. I will not handle any ballots or official election materials.
- 7. I will remain silent and not interfere with the activities of the election workers or the election process.
- 8. I will submit, in writing, any and all questions to an authorized individual and understand answers will be received by phone or email as time allows.
- 9. I will refer all questions from the public to election staff and not try to answer them myself.
- 10. I will not divulge any perceived election results until after 8:00 pm on Election Day.
- 11. I will wear an observer name badge, at all times, while in the Elections Office and will sign in and out.
- 12. I will not bring food or beverages, with the exception of bottled water, into any observation area. A water refill station can be found on the 2nd floor in front of the Assessor's Office. Public bathrooms can be found on the 1st floor to the right of the main staircase.
- 13. I agree to leave the Elections Office, if asked to do so, due to space restrictions or my failure to abide by this policy.
- 14. I understand, that observation is on a first come, first served basis and that there is no guarantee ballot processing will be occurring during my scheduled observation time.

<u>Violation of any rule contained in this form may result in removal from the premises, and may also result in criminal and/or civil penalties as provided for in ORS 260.993 and ORS 260.995.</u>

Public access to observation areas is an important component of vote-by-mail elections. Thank you for participating in this process.

		Yes or No
Date(s) &/or time(s) unavailable		I would like to observe more than once
Full Name	Phone	Email
Signature		Date
Submit completed form using one of t	he below options.	
Mail or Drop Off:	Email:	Fax:
Coos County Clerk / Elections	coosclerk@co.coos.or.us	(541) 396-1013
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Coquille OR 97423		