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Serve as an Election Judge

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Elections and Voter Services
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350 S. Fifth St., Room 201
Minneapolis, MN 55415-1355

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xov no. hu 612-673-2800.

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Do one of the following:

- Complete the application on our website vote.minneapolismn.gov or
- Complete the election judge interest form below and mail, deliver or fax it to Minneapolis Elections and Voter Services or
- At your precinct caucus, sign up to be on the list to become an election judge or
- Call 311 to request an application to be mailed to you.
- If you are selected to serve, an assignment letter and class schedule will be mailed out before each election.

Interest form

Yes! I want to serve my community.

Send me information about being an Election Judge.

Name

Address

City

State

Zip code

Email

Home phone

Cell or work phone

Return to:

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Fax 612-673-2756



Election judges are essential to our democracy. They are the officials that serve the voters in the local polling places, administer election procedures, and ensure the rights of voters are protected on Election Day. Serving as an election judge provides the opportunity to learn about the election process and is an important service to our community.

Duties of an Election Judge

You may be assigned to these positions during the day:

- Head Judge is in charge of the polling place.
- Greeter Judge directs traffic flow and maintains order.
- Roster Judge signs in voters who registered in advance.
- Registration Judge registers voters who did not register in advance.
- Demonstration Judge explains how to mark the ballot.
- Ballot Judge gives ballots to the voters.
- Ballot Counter Judge oversees the ballot counter and gives out the "I Voted" stickers.
- Additional duties include setting up and closing down the polling place, and certifying the polling place results.

State Required Qualifications

- You must be eligible to vote in Minnesota and be able to read, write, and speak English.
- You must complete an election judge training course (*at least two hours*).

City of Minneapolis Requirements

- Fluency in Somali, Spanish or Hmong desired.
- Strong understanding of and commitment to nonpartisanship.
- Communicate clearly with voters.
- Enjoy assisting and serving diverse populations.
- Be available to work long hours.
- Handle stressful situations calmly and professionally.
- Demonstrate attention to detail.
- Work as a team member and follow directions.
- Comfortable using computers.

Student Election Judge Trainees

High school students can work as election judge trainees.

Students must meet the following requirements:

- Age 16 or older on or before Election Day.
- U.S. citizen in good academic standing at a Minnesota high school (*or home schooled*).
- Obtain school and parental permission.

Student election judge trainees do not have to serve the entire day. They then cannot work past 10 p.m. and student election judges are assigned the same duties as other judge trainees, with the exception of tasks requiring party affiliation. Students do not designate party affiliation. Students must attend and complete the same training as other judges.

Time off from Employment to Serve

By law your employer must give you paid time off to serve as an election judge.

To qualify, you must provide your employer with at least 20 days written notice and the pay rate you will receive to serve as an election judge.

Your employer may:

- Reduce your salary or wages by the amount you are paid as an election judge during the time you are away from work.
- Restrict the number of its employees serving as election judges to no more than 20 percent at a single work site.

Election judges can choose to volunteer or be paid to serve.

Serving as an Election Judge

When Primary Election Day
General Election Day

Where Our goal is to place you in or near the precinct where you live. However, based on coverage requirements, you may be placed elsewhere in the city.

With Other election judges including an experienced leadership team.

Be a proud member of the largest simultaneous one-day team in the nation!