



GUIDELINES FOR CAMPAIGNERS AND AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES (REPS)
§§24.2-310, 24.2-604, 24.2-607, 24.2-639 AND 24.2-655 of the Code of Virginia

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CAMPAIGNERS (INCLUDES CANDIDATE) - OUTSIDE POLLING PLACE AND PROHIBITED AREA

- **MUST BE OUTSIDE** 40 feet of **ANY** entrance to the building in which voting takes place . Only electoral board can authorize limited exceptions.
- **NO LIMIT** to the number of campaigners allowed **OUTSIDE** the polling place and prohibited area.
- **CANNOT HINDER** or **DELAY** a person from entering or leaving a polling place.
- **LOUDSPEAKERS CANNOT** be used within 300 feet of any polling place.
- **CAMPAIGN MATERIAL**, including **SAMPLE BALLOTS**:
 - must be distributed **OUTSIDE** the polling place and prohibited area.
 - must contain a statement indicating **WHO PAID FOR/AUTHORIZED** the printing (see SBE website, Campaign Finance)
 - subject to a civil fine for failure to properly identify any campaign material
- **SAMPLES** of any "Ballot" **CANNOT** be printed on white or yellow paper **and MUST** contain the words **SAMPLE BALLOT**.

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES (REPS) - INSIDE POLLING PLACE AND PROHIBITED AREA

- ◆ **MUST** be a qualified Virginia voter.
- ◆ **MUST** present to the chief officer of election a "letter of authorization" signed by the independent or primary candidate or party chair entitled to representation (see below) if list of REPs not previously provided. A copy of the signed "letter of authorization" is acceptable.
- ◆ **NO CAMPAIGNING** is permitted by anyone **INSIDE** the polling place building without electoral board exception.
- ◆ **CANNOT HINDER** or **DELAY** any officer of election or voter.
- ◆ **CANNOT SIT** at the check-in table with officer of election but must be positioned to see and hear the check-in table and what is occurring. (REP may appeal to the local electoral board if dissatisfied with the Chief Officer's decision on placement.)
- ◆ **MAY** create their **OWN LIST OF VOTERS & MARK OWN LIST** (an officer **CANNOT** provide any list to **REPS**).
- ◆ **CANNOT** provide assistance to any voter or wear any indicator that he is available to assist any voter inside the polling place or within 40 feet of any entrance to the polling place.
- ◆ Officers of election **HAVE AUTHORITY TO REMOVE** any representative who does not adhere to above guidelines.

BEFORE POLLS OPEN §24.2-639	WHILE POLLS ARE OPEN §24.2-604	AFTER POLLS CLOSE §24.2-655
<p>One REP of each political party having a <i>nominee</i> on the ballot in this election</p> <p>One REP of each independent candidate on the ballot in this election (or in a primary, each primary candidate on the ballot) [MAY be the candidate]</p>	<p>CANDIDATES may enter polling places only to vote, or to visit for NO LONGER than ten (10) minutes per day per polling place</p> <p>For each pollbook in use in the precinct:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One REP of each political party having a <i>nominee</i> on the ballot in this election • One REP of each independent candidate on the ballot in this election (or in a primary, each primary candidate on the ballot) [CANNOT be the candidate] *** <p>If less than three (3) pollbooks in use, the Officers of Election, at their discretion, may allow a maximum of three REPS whether or not the pollbook is divided.</p>	<p>Two REPS of each political party having a <i>nominee</i> on the ballot in this election</p> <p>One REP of each independent candidate on the ballot in this election (or in a primary, each primary candidate on the ballot) [MAY be the candidate] ***</p> <p>The representative CANNOT LEAVE the polling place nor RELAY IN ANY MANNER the results of the election until AFTER final results are ascertained and Chief Officer of Election has opened doors and announced the results. There are NO exceptions to this rule.</p> <p>Representatives may witness the counting and ascertainment of results and make their own notes but MAY NOT touch or handle any ballot, voting equipment or official document, or interfere in any manner.</p>

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