



CHALLENGERS

FOR MORE INFORMATION, SEE *ELECTION INSPECTORS' PROCEDURE MANUAL AND THE APPOINTMENT, RIGHTS, AND DUTIES OF CHALLENGERS AND POLL WATCHERS*

THIS DOCUMENT IS FOR GENERAL REFERENCE, PLEASE SEE THE ABOVE-MENTIONED RESOURCE AND YOUR CLERK FOR SPECIFIC DIRECTION

GENERAL INFORMATION

A person who wishes to observe but is not a qualified election challenger is commonly called a "poll watcher." Poll watchers must observe from the polling place public area while Challengers may observe from with the voter processing area.

A challenger has the right to challenge a person's qualifications to vote if the challenger has "good reason to believe" that the person is not qualified to vote in the precinct. This cannot include assumptions based upon race, sex, national origin, or religion.

A challenger has the right to challenge the actions of the election inspectors if the challenger believes that the election law is not being followed.

Each election is an open and transparent process that may be observed by any interested person. Election challengers may be appointed by political parties and qualified interest groups to observe the election process.

RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF CHALLENGERS

Must carry credentials issued by appointing authority.	✓
Must be registered to vote in Michigan.	✓
Has the right to challenge a person's eligibility to vote.	✓
Has the right to challenge the actions of election inspectors.	✓
May stand or sit behind processing table.	✓
Has the right to look at the ePollbook and other election materials.	✓
May otherwise use a smart phone, tablet, laptop, or other electronic device in polling place or clerk's office.	✓
May remain in the polling place after the close of polls until the election inspectors complete their work.	✓
Must wear a face covering over their nose and mouth at all times while inside.	✓

May NOT touch or handle the ePollbook and other election materials.	✓
May NOT use a smart phone, tablet, laptop, camera or other electronic device in absent voter counting board.	✓
May NOT wear clothing, button, arm band, vest, etc. that identifies organization he or she represents.	✓
May NOT place tables in the polls.	✓
May NOT approach and question voters.	✓
Can NOT offer assistance to voters.	✓
May NOT use a video camera or recording device, or the camera or recording features of a smart phone or tablet in polling place or clerk's office.	✓
May view the vote results generated in the precinct after the polls close.	✓
May remain in the polling place after the close of polls until the election inspectors complete their work.	✓

Thank you for ensuring the safety of Michigan's voters