

# LOGIC & ACCURACY PROTOCOL

## *TYPES OF BALLOTS*

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### **Paper Ballots**

Proofed by the Secretary of State and transmitted to the print vendor for delivery to the Board of Elections.

- Early Voting
- Polling Place
- Mail Ballots

### **Electronic Ballots**

Configured by the vendor (ES&S or Democracy Live) and proofed by the Secretary of State and loaded by the vendor(s) onto hardware or the online portal.

- ExpressVote
- Military & Overseas/Accessible PDF ballot



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## *CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENT*

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- Prior to L&A testing, the Secretary of State will certify to the Board of Elections that each ballot type has been checked for accuracy prior to being delivered to the Board of Elections or imported onto the ExpressVote or the portal.
- Paper ballots will be packaged by the BOE staff for delivery to Early Voting locations and the polls.
- Ballots will then be loaded onto ExpressVote hardware by ES&S, and made available to Military/Oversees/Accessible votes via the portal.



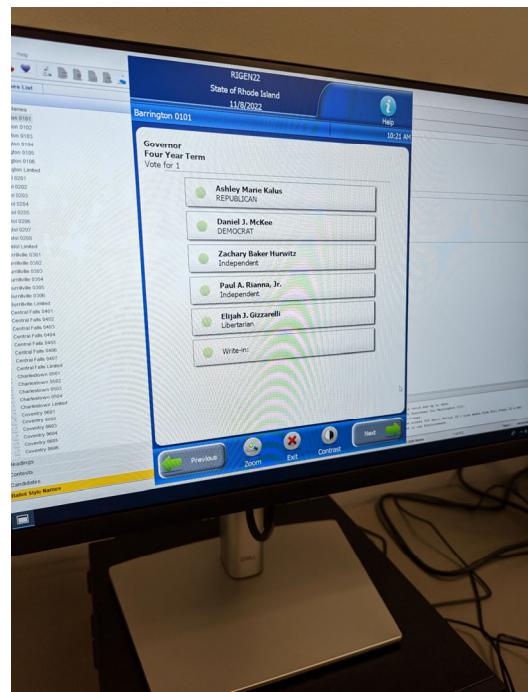
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## EXPRESSVOTE PROOFING

- ES&S has provided the Secretary of State with virtual screens of the ExpressVote ballots.
- On Saturday, 10/1 the Secretary of State began proofing the Spanish and English ExpressVote onscreen ballots.
- The process is expected to be completed tonight.



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# EQUIPMENT TESTING

## COMMENCEMENT

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- Testing is conducted during publicly noticed sessions, beginning on Oct. 6.
- Prior to testing, a printed report is generated from each DS200 and DS850 unit confirming zero vote totals are on each device.
- A report is also generated from the Board's Election Management System (EMS) to confirm the system contains zero vote totals.



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## EXPRESSVOTE

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- **522** ExpressVote units will be tested for Early Voting and Nov. 8th polling locations
- Each test is comprised of a 27-point checklist to check hardware and software functionality.
- Staff will use an alternating test ballot from the same precinct DS-200 test deck as a guide to marking the ExpressVote ballot.



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# EQUIPMENT TESTING EXPRESSVOTE CHECKLIST



## ExpressVote Pre-Deployment Checklist



Test Dates: \_\_\_\_\_  
Election Date: 11/8/22

Precinct #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Precinct Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Express Vote Serial #: \_\_\_\_\_

**Pre-testing:** Initial \_\_\_\_\_

- Verify precinct number & address
- Verify Express Vote serial #
- Verify that the election has been qualified and loaded onto the ExpressVote
- Verify sample ballot provided matches the precinct

**Testing:** Initial \_\_\_\_\_

- Verify that the ExpressVote is plugged into a power source & the battery is charging
- Turn on the ExpressVote
  - Insert the barrel key, open the black door & power the unit on
- Enter the election password
- Verify date & time:
  - Switch to "Official" mode using the button inside the door
  - Verify the date/time" in the top right corner of the screen
  - If incorrect: press system administrator, enter the password and follow the prompts.
- If needed calibrate touch screen:
  - While in "Official" mode select Calibrate Touch Screen
  - Follow the prompts, touching the screen and completing the process
- Return to "Voter" mode using the switch inside the door
- Insert blank test card, and mark it according to the sample ballot provided:
  - Use both touch screen and keypad to mark the ballot
  - Verify audio/ headphones are working
- Log any equipment issue during testing (Card not recognized, Print Error, Blank Screen, etc.) & NOTIFY AN ELECTION OFFICIAL


**Post-testing:** Initial \_\_\_\_\_

- Remove test card from the ExpressVote
- Re-insert the marked cards to ensure the proper selection was made
- Verify the marked card matches precinct information & sample ballot provided
- Power the unit down and re-secure the black door with the barrel key
- Put the ExpressVote, headphones & power cord back into the case
- Supervisors will then collect marked cards, ensuring they match the sample ballot provided. The marked cards will then be placed into the DS-200 test deck for that precinct replacing the sample ballot

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- The staff will verify the **contest** and **candidate name** for each selection.
- At the final summary screen, staff member will verify the selections have been made properly and print the ExpressVote card.
- The staff member will reinsert the card to verify on the summary screen that the selections have been made accurately.
- The process will be repeated by a Spanish-speaking staff member for the Spanish-language ballot in bilingual communities.



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- Another staff member will retrieve the ExpressVote card but will first verify the test card has been marked accurately.
- The card will then be returned to the test deck for the DS200 assigned to the same precinct and inserted to verify accurate tabulation.
- A total of **675** ExpressVote cards will be marked as part of testing.



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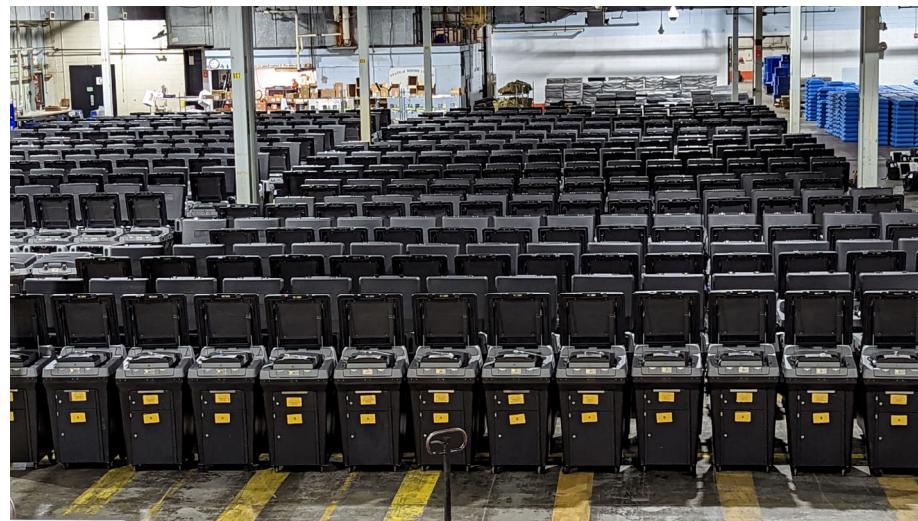
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## DS200

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- **592** DS200 units will be tested for Early Voting and Nov. 8 polling locations.
- Each test is comprised of a 27-point checklist to check hardware and software functionality.
- **11** pre-marked test ballots will be inserted into each DS200 for English communities, and **17** ballots into each DS200 for Bilingual communities.



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# EQUIPMENT TESTING DS200 CHECKLIST

	<b>DS200</b> Logic & Accuracy Checklist	
Election Date: <u>09/13/22</u> L&A Date: <u>08/</u> /22		
<b>Precinct:</b> <u>3201</u> <b>City/Town:</b> <u>SOUTH KINGSTOWN</u> <b>Precinct address:</b> <u>COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTER - MULTI PURPOSE ROOM</u> <u>30 ST. DOMINIC RD</u> <b>DS200 Serial:</b> # <u>1980541</u> <b>USB Drive Seal:</b> # <u>50600001</u> <b>Ballot Box Seal:</b> # <u>6081114</u>		
<b>Pre-testing:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> 1. Verify Precinct number & address <span style="float: right;">Initial _____</span> <input type="checkbox"/> 2. Verify DS200 serial number <input type="checkbox"/> 3. Verify USB Drive door seal number <input type="checkbox"/> 4. Verify Ballot Box seal number		
<b>Testing:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> 1. Plug in DS200 and make sure metal bar is locked in the down position <span style="float: right;">Initial _____</span> <input type="checkbox"/> 2. Lift Screen to power up unit <input type="checkbox"/> 3. Enter Election Code –XXXXXX and Accept <input type="checkbox"/> 4. Cancel Printing <input type="checkbox"/> 5. Verify correct Poll Number and Open Polls <input type="checkbox"/> 6. Cancel Printing <input type="checkbox"/> 7. Go to Voting Mode <input type="checkbox"/> 8. Feed Test Deck <input type="checkbox"/> 9. Unlock door and press Close Poll button then Close Poll <input type="checkbox"/> 10. Print report and stop after 1 complete results tape prints <input type="checkbox"/> 11. Begin Modem Process and make sure "Results Sent Successfully" appears on screen <input type="checkbox"/> 12. Remove all ballots from bin <input type="checkbox"/> 13. Reopen Polls <input type="checkbox"/> 14. Enter Override Code – XXXXXX and Accept <input type="checkbox"/> 15. Clear Votes and press Clear Votes & Continue <input type="checkbox"/> 16. Press "Report Options", Zero Totals, include affidavit <input type="checkbox"/> 17. Print Report <input type="checkbox"/> 18. "Cancel" <input type="checkbox"/> 19. "Don't Open – Turn off"		
<b>Post-testing:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> 1. Once results tape has been signed, remove tape <span style="float: right;">Initial _____</span> <input type="checkbox"/> 2. Change Paper roll if necessary <input type="checkbox"/> 3. Sanitize DS 200 <input type="checkbox"/> 4. Close & lock USB drive door and affix seal <input type="checkbox"/> 5. Close & <b>lock touch screen and cover</b> <input type="checkbox"/> 6. Verify ballot box is empty and attach seal <input type="checkbox"/> 7. Wrap up power cord and <b>lock door</b> <input type="checkbox"/> 8. <b>Verify all locks are locked</b>		
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# EQUIPMENT TESTING

## DS200

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- Upon insertion of all test ballots into the DS-200, the staff will generate the results and compare them to the results guide for that precinct to ensure accuracy.
- If there is a discrepancy, staff will notify a Supervisor to determine the cause, which is typically human error (i.e. ExpressVote marked incorrectly).
- Once the issue has been rectified, the unit is retested again.
- The results are uploaded to our Election Management System (EMS) for overall tabulation, and the unit is reset to zero, and a report is generated.



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# EQUIPMENT TESTING

## DS850

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- **3 DS850** high-speed tabulator units will be tested for the Nov. 8 election.
- **5,592** pre-marked test ballots will be run through each DS850.
- Test ballots are pre-folded to simulate real world tabulation of mail ballots.



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# EQUIPMENT TESTING

## DS850

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- A results report will be generated and compared to the test report for accuracy.
- The results will be uploaded to the EMS.
- The unit will be rest to zero vote totals and a report will be printed for verification.



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## EQUIPMENT TESTING *COMPLETION*

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- Once testing on all DS200 and DS850 units is complete, a summary report is generated from the EMS and reviewed for accuracy.
- The EMS is reset to zero and a report is generated as verification.
- The results are presented to the Board for approval of L&A testing.



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