

How to Cast a Write-In Vote

Cómo emitir un voto por escrito



1. Find office for which write-in candidate is running.

Encuentre el cargo político para el cual el candidato por escrito se está postulando.

<p>FOR MAYOR PARA ALCALDE (VOTE FOR ONE) (VOTE POR UNO)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> John Adams</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Martha Washington</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____ Write-In Voto por escrito</p>

2. Print candidate's name on write-in line.

Escriba claramente el nombre del candidato en la línea designada para emitir un voto por escrito.

<input type="radio"/>	<u>Ben Franklin</u>
	Write-In Voto por escrito

3. Fill in oval next to candidate's name.

Llene el óvalo al lado del nombre del candidato que usted escribió.



Instructions for Casting a Write-In Vote:

- To cast a write-in vote, **print the name** of the write-in candidate on the provided line and **darken the oval** to the left of the name you write in.

Important Information About Write-In Candidates:

- Judges of Election **cannot count write-in votes** unless the County Clerk has notified them that the candidate has filed a "Declaration of Intent to be a Write-In Candidate."
- The "Declaration of Intent to be a Write-In Candidate" must be filed with the Election Authority **by the 61st day before the election.**

Additional Rules:

- Write-in candidates must file the required form whether the ballot says "No Candidate" or lists the full number of candidates to be elected.
- A write-in vote will be counted as long as the voter's intent can be determined, even if the name is misspelled, as long as there is a recognizable relationship to the candidate's actual name. In cases of misspelling, **a majority of the Judges of Election must agree** on the voter's intent.
- Writing or printing the name is valid; however, using stickers or rubber stamps does **not** constitute a valid write-in vote.