

Election Day Operations for TSX Counties

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TSX Opening & Closing Official's Duties

- Opening and closing official is appointed by election officials in charge of the election
- This role can be combined with other Poll Manager roles
- Two people per precinct
- **Be sure they know their duties**
- Trained in details of opening & closing procedures



Printing Zero Tapes Reminder

- **Print three zero tapes**
- **The first one is posted for public view**
- **The second one goes in the memory card transport bag**
- **A third that goes in the take up canister**
- **All of them should be signed by at least two poll managers**





Applying Seals

- Be sure that seals are on the upper and lower door on the side. Record seal number on the Form 730.3 Precinct Opening and Closing Log.



Voter Information Requirements

- **Direct voters to the sticker on the gray door of the printer instructing them to view their selection**
- Post laminated instructions on the inside of the gray panel of the TSX unit



Printer Door Sticker

**OPEN
DOOR
TO
VIEW
YOUR
SELECTIONS**



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Voter Leaving The Booth Without Completing Voting Process

- If the voter can't be located after leaving the booth
- Two Poll Managers enter the booth to cancel the ballot
- **OR let the ballot time out and cancel on its own**
- The poll managers must log this on the TSX Event Log Form # 740.2
- Miss Code Ann. § 23-15-531.9 (2) allows for this in DRE elections only



Ballot Cancellation

Occasions when a ballot would need to be canceled or is canceled automatically:

1. Voter leaves the booth without casting their ballot
2. Voter received the wrong ballot
 - Opening and Closing Manager along with at least one other Poll Manager cancels ballot



Ballot Status Review

3. If ballot was left unattended during voting process for 2.5 minutes
 - Opening and Closing Manager along with at least one other Poll Manager will insert the voter access card back into the TSX to review status



Closing the Precinct & Printing Totals Tapes Reminder

- Print the first total tape which is the long report and it is rolled up into the printer roll canister
- Print a second one that goes in the memory card bag
- Print a third one that goes on the wall at the precinct
- All the tapes need to be signed by at least two poll managers



Closing The Precinct

- Be sure the number of ballots used at the precinct is the total number of ballots cast
- This includes TSX, emergency, curbside, affidavit, spoiled, rejected, challenged, & absentee ballots
- If there is a discrepancy, election officials should be notified immediately.



Counting Votes And Determining Results

- After collecting votes off all memory cards & printing total tapes, you will sign the tapes, declare results, and post results.
- Enclose **ALL** memory cards & one of the signed totals tape for each machine in the Memory Card Transport Bag and seal it.
- Voted, spoiled, and unused ballots are to be placed in the appropriate envelope and placed in the ballot box and sealed.



Reminders To Prevent Paper Jams

- Please be sure that your poll managers know to closely monitor the printer
- Be sure that you apply the stickers on the door of the printer to remind the voter to approve their ballot
- These stickers were sent to the Circuit Clerk's Office previous to the 2006 Party Primary Election and **Hunters Orange** stickers were given to the clerks at the 2008 conference in Natchez.



Securing TSX Units

At the closing of the election at the precinct:

1. Put **ALL** TSX memory cards & one results tape per TSX in the memory card bag & seal it. (**Even if the machine was not used**)
 - The number of cards should match the number of TSX units.
 - Write the memory card bag seal number on the Receiving & Returning Manager Receipt Form # 710.2.



Securing TSX Units

2. Seal the Secure Printer Canister Bag
 - Record the seal number on the Precinct Opening & Closing Log Form # 730.3



Closing Remarks

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