



LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK

SAFE ELECTION PLAN

The Los Angeles County “Safe Election Plan” aligns with the latest best practices to prevent illnesses such as COVID-19, flu, and colds. These were developed in consultation with relevant health authorities using the best public health information available.

Vaccination

Election Workers will be encouraged to stay up to date with their vaccines and boosters.



Masks

- Optional face masks will be available for voters.
- Optional face masks and N95 masks will be available for Election Workers.
- The RR/CC will follow current mask rules and public health guidelines, such as return-to-work guidelines for individuals who are recovering from a COVID-19 case.



Hygiene

- Hand sanitizer will be available for voters and workers.
- The importance of hand washing and sanitizing will be emphasized in Election Worker training.



Cleaning

- Cleaning of ePollbooks, Ballot Marking Devices (BMDs), and other frequently used surfaces in the Vote Center.



Ventilation

- Doors and windows will be propped open, when possible, to increase fresh, outdoor air.



Limit exposure to sick and exposed persons

- Election Workers with COVID-19 cases will be excluded from the Vote Center until they meet public health return-to-work guidelines.
- Election Workers returning to the Vote Center after a COVID-19 case will follow public health guidelines to wear a well-fitting mask through day 10.
- Election Workers with close contact exposure will follow current DPH masking and testing requirements.



Ongoing aspects of the voting process that also support COVID-19 prevention.

- All voters are provided a VBM ballot and have the option to vote from home.
- All voters are encouraged to take measures to speed up their election process, which limits their time in the Vote Center. These include verifying voter registration in advance, using the Interactive Sample Ballot (ISB) to pre-mark selections, and bringing their Sample Ballot to speed up the voter check-in.
- BMDs are spaced out to support privacy and accessibility.
- Vote Center layouts use one-directional traffic flow when possible.
- All voters are encouraged to take advantage of early voting and voting at off-peak times if possible.



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