ELECTION JUDGE INTEREST FORM

OFFICE OF THE MINNESOTA SECRETARY OF STATE

About Election Judges

Election judges (poll workers) are paid officials who staff local polling places, carry out election procedures, and make sure that the rights of voters are protected. During a general election, there are more than 30,000 election judges who staff more than 4,100 precincts.

Serving as an election judge is a chance to learn about elections, and is a great service to the community.

Requirements, Wages and Time Off From Work

- You must be eligible to vote in Minnesota and be able to read, write and speak English.
- You must complete an election judge training course (at least two hours).
- Election judges can choose to volunteer or be paid. Wages vary by city.
- Employers are required to give employees time off to work as an election judge.

Student Election Judge Trainees

Junior and senior high school students can work as election judge trainees. The student must meet the following requirements:

- Ages 16 or 17.
- U.S. citizen in good academic standing at a Minnesota high school (or home schooled).
- Obtain school and parental permission.
- Serve in the county where they reside.
- Trainees are paid at least two-thirds of the minimum wage.

Like other judges, they do not have to serve the entire day; they cannot work past 10 p.m. Trainees are assigned the same duties as other judges, with the exception of tasks requiring party affiliation. Trainees do not designate party affiliation. Trainees must attend and complete the same training as other judges.

City of Cologne

Election Judge Application

Please complete and return to City Hall
1211 Village Parkway, PO Box 120, Cologne, MN 55322
(952) 466-2064 ● lorik@colognemn.com or michellem@colognemn.com

Name _____ Email_____

Street Address, City, State, Zip _____

Primary Phone _____ Secondary Phone _____

2020 ELECTION DATES
Presidential Primary Election – March 03, 2020
Primary Election – August 11, 2020
General Election – November 3, 2020

Election judges are paid for their service on election days and also paid for training. Training will be provided.

Election Experience

_____ I have election judge experience

_____ I will work as a head judge (must have election judge experience)

_____ I am interested in becoming a head judge

Party Affiliation [Please check one]
(State law requires election judges to declare a major political party affiliation. Major political party affiliations can be verified at the Secretary of State website www.sos.state.mn.us/elections)

☐ DFL Party ☐ Grassroots – Legalize Cannabis Party
☐ Republican Party ☐ Legal Marijuana Now Party

Do you have a relative who is applying to be an election judge at this time? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, state person's name, address, precinct applied for and relationship.

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Are you a relative of any candidate for any of the offices on the ballot? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, please explain relationship.

I am 18 or older, eligible to vote in Minnesota, and able to read, write and speak English.

_____ _____
Signature Date

Data Privacy Advisory: Some of the information you are asked to provide is classified as private. The purpose and intended use of this information is to verify your qualifications as an election judge and to be able to contact you.