

# Wisconsin Elections Commission

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Random Draw Procedure for 2022 Post-Election Voting Equipment Audit
Wisconsin Elections Commission (WEC)
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There are two separate random drawings as part of the post-election voting system audit procedure: Selection of reporting units to be audited and selection of the election contests to be audited. The selection of reporting units and contests for audit shall be done publicly via teleconference from the WEC office following the procedures set out below.

### Selection of Reporting Units to be Audited

The reporting units for the general election provided to the WEC by all 1,850 Wisconsin municipalities will be loaded into a specially designed audit randomization tool. This allows for atomization of the reporting unit selection based on an additionally randomized seed number. After the seed number is established, WEC staff utilizes the automated selection tool to randomly select 368 reporting units for audit.

Commission staff shall determine if the selected reporting units include at least five reporting units from each type of voting system approved for use in Wisconsin pursuant to Wis. Stat. §5.91. If not, additional reporting units shall be randomly selected from any underrepresented groups of voting equipment until at least five from each type of system approved for use in Wisconsin pursuant to Wis. Stat. §5.91 have been selected. Staff will also ensure that at least one reporting unit in each of Wisconsin's 72 counties is randomly selected. In addition, each municipality, depending on population, will be selected to audit no more than eight reporting units per election.

#### Approved Voting Systems in Use in Wisconsin (Optical Scan)

- 1. ClearBallot ClearCast
- 2. Dominion ImageCast Evolution
- 3. ES&S M100
- 4. ES&S DS200
- 5. ES&S DS450
- 6. ES&S DS850

## Approved Voting Systems in Use in Wisconsin (Accessible Voting Equipment)

- 1. ClearBallot ClearAccess
- 2. Dominion ImageCast X
- 3. Dominion-Sequoia AVC Edge
- 4. ES&S ExpressVote and ExpressVote Tabulator
- 5. ES&S AutoMark

If, after selection, Commission staff determines that any of the selected reporting units had no votes cast in the election additional reporting units from the remaining randomly selected reporting units shall be selected until at least 368 reporting units with votes cast have been selected.

Certain exceptions have been approved by the Commission with regard to the submission deadline should a recount be possible. If there are one or more contests within the margin for recount, and the recount petition deadline is on or after November 18, 2022, and no recount is requested, clerks will have until December 2, 2022 to submit final audit documentation. In the event that one or more contests are within the margin of a recount, and a recount is requested, the recount must be completed prior to the voting equipment audit being conducted. In this situation, when a recount has been requested, clerks have until December 23, 2022 to submit final audit documentation.

### Selection of Election Contests for Audit

Commission staff shall prepare a list of election contests that appear on all ballots throughout the state. The offices shall be separated between federal/state and county offices. A minimum of four offices shall be audited, including the top race on the ballot. In 2022 the top race is the gubernatorial contest. Three federal or state contests shall be randomly drawn to determine the election contest to be audited by state and local election officials. Commission staff shall follow the same procedures for drawing and documenting the selection of election contests to be audited as it follows for determining ballot order pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 5.60(1)(b).

### Federal/State Offices on all Wisconsin ballots:

- Governor/Lt. Governor (required to audit)
- Secretary of State
- Attorney General
- State Treasurer
- U.S. Senator
- Representative in Congress
- State Senate or Sheriff
- Representative to the Assembly

### Notification of Municipal and County Clerks

Commission staff shall contact the municipal and county clerks to inform them of the reporting units and election contests subject to audit. Each municipal and county clerk selected shall be contacted by the close of business on Wednesday, November 9, 2022. A list of the selected reporting units with the type of equipment shall be posted on the WEC website. A directory of municipal and county clerks is also available on the WEC website.