ClearAccess

Accessible Voting Equipment: a Poll Worker's Fact Sheet

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The ClearAccess can...

- Read a voter their ballot
- Make text bigger
- Change the contrast of the screen
- Warn a voter if they overvote or skip a contest



Answering Voter Questions

→ What is the ClearAccess?

The ClearAccess is a machine that lets you make your choices on a touchscreen or with a keypad before printing your selections on your ballot.

How does the ClearAccess help me?

This means you can review the candidates you select and correct any mistakes before your selections are printed.

Accessibility Basics

- Offer the ClearAccess to every voter.
- Give all voters courteous attention in exercising their right to vote.
- Remember, not all disabilities are visible. If an individual requests assistance, trust that it is necessary.
- Be considerate of the extra time it might take for a person with a disability or an elderly person to answer questions and get things done.

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The table or stand the ClearAccess rests on must have...

- 30 in. wide entrance
- 27 in. of knee clearance
- 19 in. of toe clearance
- 28-34 in. tabletop height
- 30"x 48" clear space in front of the booth
- Privacy so no one can see how the voter is marking their ballot
- A chair nearby for voters who need it, but not blocking access for a voter using a wheelchair

When the polls open the ClearAccess must be...

- Set up
 - Tactile keypad and headphones plugged in and resting in front of the machine
- Turned on
 - At the screen where a voter can start their voting session
- Functioning
 - No error messages

A poll worker must be able to...

- Turn on ClearAccess and navigate to voting session
- Activate the correct ballot style if necessary
- Explain to a voter how to use the ClearAccess to cast their ballot including adding write-ins
- Change the ink cartridge

If you have questions about how to use the ClearAccess, talk to your clerk or chief inspector or reference the user manual.

