



ADMINISTRATIVE RULES OF MONTANA



44.3.2702 PLAN SPECIFICATIONS

- (1) The plan for the conduct of an election or elections held on the same election day must include:
 - (a) a statement indicating the type of jurisdiction involved including sufficient information to demonstrate that it is in fact one of the jurisdictions for which the mail ballot option is available;
 - (b) a description of the type of election to be conducted;
 - (c) the estimated number of eligible electors in the jurisdiction at the time the plan is written;
 - (d) if the jurisdiction is a multicounty district, a listing of the other election administrators involved and a statement designating which one will function as the chief election administrator for that specific election;
 - (e) if the election is for school district purposes designate who will conduct the election--school district clerk (election administrator) or county election administrator;
 - (f) if proportional voting is required, a reference to the applicable statute and a complete description of the method to be used to satisfy the statutory requirements for proportional voting;
 - (g) if voting is permitted by electors who are eligible but otherwise not registered, a description of the eligibility requirements;
 - (h) the total number of "places of deposit," other than the election office contemplated, if any, together with the address of each and a description of its nature;
 - (i) a written timetable for the conduct of the election prepared in accordance with the specifications set forth in ARM 44.3.2703;
 - (j) procedures to ensure that the voter interface devices required in 13-3-208, MCA are available at locations appropriate to provide accessibility for disabled electors;
 - (k) an indication of how postage will be handled for:
 - (i) returned as undeliverable (e.g., "return postage guaranteed"); and
 - (ii) returns (e.g., elector to apply own postage or postage pre-paid, how);
 - (l) if the election is for school district purposes, a brief narrative of the procedures to be followed from the time the ballots are received from the electors until they are tabulated, including arrangements made for transfer of ballots from/to the school district clerk and the county election administrator for verification of signatures;

- (m) a description of the procedures to be used to ensure ballot security at all stages of the process.
- (n) sample written instructions shall be consistent with 13-19-205, MCA.

Authorizing statute(s): 13-19-105, MCA

Implementing statute(s): 13-19-205, MCA

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