

Notice of General Election and Sample Ballots

November 5, 2024

Office of the Vilas County Clerk

To the voters of Vilas County

Notice is hereby given of a general election to be held in the several wards in Vilas, on November 5, 2024, at which the officers named below shall be chosen. The names of the candidates for each office to be voted for, whose nominations have been certified to or filed in this office, are listed under the title of the office and under the appropriate party or other designation, together with any referendum questions submitted to a vote, in the sample ballot below.

INFORMATION TO VOTERS

Upon entering the polling place and before being permitted to vote, a voter shall:

- state their name and address
- show an acceptable form of photo identification*
- sign the poll book**

***If a voter does not have acceptable photo identification, the voter may obtain a free photo ID for voting from the Division of Motor Vehicles.**

****If the voter is unable to sign the poll book due to disability, a poll worker may write the word "exempt."**

If a voter is not registered to vote, they may register to vote at the polling place serving their residence if the voter provides proof of residence.

Where ballots are distributed to voters, the initials of two inspectors must appear on the ballot.

Upon being permitted to vote, the voter shall enter a voting booth or go to a machine and cast their ballot. The vote should not be cast in any manner other than specified here. Sample ballots or other materials to assist the voter in marking their ballot may be taken into the booth and copied. The sample ballot shall not be shown to anyone so as to reveal how the ballot is marked.

A voter who is a parent or guardian may be accompanied by the voter's minor child or minor ward.

An election official may inform the voter of the proper manner for casting a vote but the official may not advise or indicate a particular voting choice.

Assistance for Voting

A voter may select an individual to assist in casting their vote if the voter declares to the presiding official that they are unable to read, have difficulty reading, writing, or understanding English, or that due to disability are unable to cast their ballot. The selected individual rendering assistance may not be the voter's employer or an agent of that employer or an officer or agent of a labor organization which represents the voter. If a voter is unable to state their name and address, an assistant may also do so for the voter.

Voting for President and Vice President

A vote for candidates for President and Vice President is a vote for the presidential electors of those candidates. A write-in vote for President and Vice President must designate the name of a presidential candidate. A write-in vote for a candidate for President only will be counted. A write-in vote for a candidate for Vice President only will not be counted.

Where Optical Scan Voting is Used

The voter shall fill in the oval or connect the arrow next to the name of the candidate of their choice for each office for which they intend to vote. To vote for a person whose name does not appear on the ballot, the voter

shall write in the name of the person of their choice in the space provided for a write-in vote and fill in the oval or connect the arrow next to the write-in line. When voting for President and Vice President, the voter shall fill in the oval or connect the arrow next to the set of candidates (ticket) for president and vice president for whom they intend to vote. To vote for a Presidential ticket that does not appear on the ballot, the voter shall write in the names of persons of their choice in the spaces provided and fill in the oval or connect the arrow next the write-in lines. On referendum questions, the voter shall fill in the oval or connect the arrow next to "yes" if in favor of the question, or the voter shall fill in the oval or connect the arrow next to "no" if opposed to the question.

Spoiling Ballots

If a voter spoils an **optical scan** ballot, they shall return it to an election official who shall issue another ballot in its place, but not more than three ballots shall be issued to any one voter. If the ballot has not been initialed by two inspectors or is defective in any other way, the voter shall return it to the election official who shall issue a proper ballot in its place.

After Voting the Ballot

After an official **optical scan** ballot is marked, it may be inserted in a security sleeve so the marks do not show. The voter shall then insert the ballot in the voting device or deliver the ballot to an inspector for deposit. If a central count system is used, the voter shall insert the ballot in the ballot box or deliver the ballot to an inspector for deposit. The voter shall leave the polling place promptly.

All Vilas County ballot samples are posted at www.vilascountywi.gov in their entirety. The following is a sample of the official ballot:



Kimberly Olkowski, Vilas County Clerk

VILAS COUNTY

Official Ballot
Partisan Office and Referendum
November 5, 2024

Notice to voters: if you are voting on Election Day, your ballot must be initialed by two (2) election inspectors. If you are voting absentee, your ballot must be initialed by the municipal clerk or deputy clerk. Your ballot may not be counted without initials (see end of ballot for initials).

General Instructions:

If you make a mistake on your ballot or have a question, ask an election inspector for help (absentee voters: contact your municipal clerk).

To vote for a name on the ballot, fill in the oval next to the name like this: ☐

To vote for a name that is not on the ballot, write the name on the line marked "write-in" and fill in the oval next to the name like this: ☐

Federal	Congressional	Legislative and State (cont.)
When voting for President and Vice President, you have one of two choices: • Vote for candidates on one ticket, <i>or</i> • Write in names of persons on both write-in lines A write-in vote for only a vice presidential candidate will not be counted.	United States Senator Vote for 1 <input type="radio"/> Tammy Baldwin (Democratic) <input type="radio"/> Eric Hovde (Republican) <input type="radio"/> Phil Anderson (Disrupt The Corruption) <input type="radio"/> Thomas Leager (America First) <input type="radio"/> write-in:	Representative to the Assembly District 34 Vote for 1 <input type="radio"/> Dennis Nitzel, Sr. (Democratic) <input type="radio"/> Rob Swearingen (Republican) <input type="radio"/> write-in:
President / Vice President Vote for 1 <input type="radio"/> Kamala D. Harris / Tim Walz (Democratic) <input type="radio"/> Donald J. Trump / JD Vance (Republican) <input type="radio"/> Randall Terry / Stephen Broden (Constitution) <input type="radio"/> Chase Russell Oliver / Mike ter Maat (Libertarian) <input type="radio"/> Jill Stein / Rudolph Ware (Wisconsin Green)	Representative in Congress District 7 Vote for 1 <input type="radio"/> Kyle Kilbourn (Democratic) <input type="radio"/> Tom Tiffany (Republican) <input type="radio"/> write-in:	District Attorney Vote for 1 <input type="radio"/> Karl P. Hayes (Independent) <input type="radio"/> write-in:
<input type="radio"/> Claudia De la Cruz / Karina Garcia (Party for Socialism and Liberation) <input type="radio"/> Cornel West / Melina Abdullah (Justice For All) <input type="radio"/> Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. / Nicole Shanahan (We The People) <input type="radio"/> write-in (President) <input type="radio"/> write-in (Vice President)	Legislative and State State Senator District 12 Vote for 1 <input type="radio"/> Andi Rich (Democratic) <input type="radio"/> Mary Felzkowski (Republican) <input type="radio"/> write-in:	County County Clerk Vote for 1 <input type="radio"/> Kimberly A. Olkowski (Republican) <input type="radio"/> write-in:
		County Treasurer Vote for 1 <input type="radio"/> Paulette M. Sarnicki (Republican) <input type="radio"/> write-in:
		Register of Deeds Vote for 1 <input type="radio"/> Sherry Bierman (Republican) <input type="radio"/> write-in:

County (cont.)	Referendum
Surveyor Vote for 1	To vote in favor of a question, fill in the oval next to "Yes," like this: ● To vote against a question, fill in the oval next to "No," like this: ●
<input type="radio"/> Thomas A. Boettcher (Republican)	State
<input type="radio"/> write-in:	"Eligibility to vote. Shall section 1 of article III of the constitution, which deals with suffrage, be amended to provide that only a United States citizen age 18 or older who resides in an election district may vote in an election for national, state, or local office or at a statewide or local referendum?"
	<input type="radio"/> Yes
	<input type="radio"/> No
	MANITOWISH WATERS ONLY
	Question: "Shall the person holding the combined office of Town Clerk/Town Treasurer in the Town of Manitowish Waters be appointed by the Town Board?"
	<input type="radio"/> Yes
	<input type="radio"/> No

SAMPLE

Continue voting at top of next column.					
Official Ballot Partisan Office and Referendum November 5, 2024 for Vilas County	Ballot issued by _____ Initials of election inspectors				
	Absentee Ballot issued by _____ Initials of Municipal Clerk or Deputy Clerk				
	_____ If issued by SVDs, both must initial				
	Certification of Voter Assistance I certify that I marked or read aloud this ballot at the request and direction of a voter who is authorized under Wis. Stat. §6.82 to receive assistance. _____ Signature of assistor				
For Official Use Only Inspectors: Identify ballots required to be remade: <input type="checkbox"/> Overvoted <input type="checkbox"/> Damaged <input type="checkbox"/> Other					
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Page 2 of 2-sided ballot. Ballot begins on other side. ➡					