



ELECTIONS BULLETIN

FOR THE SEPTEMBER 12, 2006 PRIMARY ELECTION

To: All Town Clerks

From: Kathy DeWolfe, Director of Elections
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Date: July 17, 2006

THANK YOU, THANK YOU. We sincerely appreciate the extra effort put forth by all Representative District Clerks in accepting petitions and faxing consent forms to our office quickly.

Warnings and Notice to Voters Must be Posted not later than Sunday August 13, 2006: Enclosed are sending five (5) warnings and notice to voters for each of the polling locations that you have.

2006 Town Clerks and Treasurers Guide: Enclosed are two (2) copies of the new Town Clerks and Treasurers Guide. Please suggest to attorneys, real estate agents and other interested persons to download the guide from our website. We update it monthly online.

Primary Ballots will arrive not later than Monday, August 14, 2006: We expect that most clerks will receive ballots on or before Friday August 11. Please open boxes and check the ballots as soon as possible. Notify us immediately if there are any errors on your ballots. Most towns will receive the entire shipment of ballots at once, but all towns will receive at least 10% of the ballots by August 14th with the remainder to follow shortly. Clerks using machine ballots need to run a test deck of ballots through your machine as soon as you receive your configured card from LHS. Please notify LHS immediately if you have any problems.

Sample Primary Ballots must be posted not less than 20 days before the primary election in at least 2 public places and in or near the Town Clerk's Office (no later than August 23rd). Please make sure that you mark "SAMPLE BALLOT" boldly across the ballot and put a line through the boxes or ovals before posting.

Tally and Summary Sheets and the Official Return of Votes will be received before September 5th.

Tuesday, September 5, 2006 is the deadline for applications for addition to the checklist. Labor Day is a legal holiday so the filing deadline moves to Tuesday. Town and City Clerk Offices must be open from 10 a.m. to Noon for Voter Registration.

Send a notice or form letter to all first-time Vermont voters who submitted applications to the checklist individually by mail, reminding the voter that he or she must provide a copy of proper identification before voting.

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