



Anne Brady-Romero

Sandoval County Clerk

OFFICE OF THE SANDOVAL COUNTY CLERK, BERNALILLO, NEW MEXICO

Notice

2026 GENERAL ELECTION NOTICE TESTING, SEALING AND CERTIFYING VOTING MACHINES

Pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 1-11-8, 1-11-5 through 1-11-10 Election Law of the State of New Mexico, I, Anne Brady-Romero, County Clerk of the County of Sandoval, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby issue a notice of TESTING, SEALING, AND CERTIFYING VOTING MACHINES.

#	Day	Date(s)	Time(s)
1	Tuesday	September 22, 2026	9:00am – 6:30pm
2	Wednesday	September 23, 2026	9:00am – 6:30pm
3	Thursday	September 24, 2026	9:00am – 6:30pm
4	Friday	September 25, 2026	9:00am – 6:30pm
5	Saturday	September 26, 2026	9:00am – 6:30pm
6	Monday	September 28, 2026	9:00am – 6:30pm
7	Tuesday	September 29, 2026	9:00am – 6:30pm
8	Wednesday	September 30, 2026	9:00am – 6:30pm
9	Thursday	October 1, 2026	9:00am – 6:30pm
10	Friday	October 2, 2026	9:00am – 6:30pm
11	Saturday	October 3, 2026	9:00am – 6:30pm
12	Monday	October 5, 2026	9:00am – 6:30pm

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1-11-5. Voting device; preparation; certification.

Forty-two days before the election, the county clerk may begin to prepare, inspect, certify and seal electronic voting machines that are to be used in the election, and such preparation, inspection, certification and sealing shall continue until all machines are prepared, inspected, certified and sealed.

1-11-6. Voting machines; manner of preparing.

When preparing, inspecting and sealing voting machines, the county clerk shall:

- A. certify to the secretary of state and the county chair of each political party participating in the election the type and serial number of each voting machine intended to be used in each polling location, by precinct number, where applicable;
- B. prepare, in the presence of those persons entitled to be present, the electronic voting machines for the election as follows:
 - (1) all public, candidate and question counters shall be set at zero;
 - (2) each such counter shall be tested for accuracy by casting votes upon it until it correctly registers each vote cast;
 - (3) each such counter shall be reset at zero and the voting machine shall be immediately sealed with a numbered metal seal so as to prevent operation of the machine or its registering counters without breaking the seal; and
 - (4) on the certificate for that voting machine there shall be recorded:
 - (a) the number on the seal; and
 - (b) the reading shown on the protective counter; and
- C. seal and retain the logic and accuracy test printout, known as the internal audit trail, until it may be disposed of pursuant to Section 1-12-69 NMSA 1978.

1-11-6.1. Electronic voting machines; testing.

All programming of vote tabulating machines shall be tested under the supervision of the county clerk. The machines shall be programmed so that votes will be counted in accordance with the specifications for electronic voting machines.

1-11-7. Voting machine; certificate of preparation.

Immediately after each electronic voting machine has been prepared for the election, the county clerk shall prepare a written certificate, which shall be filed in the county clerk's office. A copy of the certificate shall be posted on the voting machine, and one copy shall be forwarded to the secretary of state. The certificate shall show the serial number for the voting machine, whether or not the machine has all of its public counters set at zero and whether or not the machine has been tested by voting on each public counter to prove the counter is in perfect condition. The certificate shall also show the number of the seal that has sealed the machine and the number registered on the public counter.

1-11-8. Voting machines; notice of sealing.

A. At least three days before preparing any type of voting machine for an election, the county clerk shall send notice to the county chair of each political party having a candidate on the ballot in the election. The notice shall state the times when and places where the voting machines will be prepared.

B. Party and organization representatives, election observers and candidates may be present at the preparation, inspection and sealing of the voting machines to ensure compliance with the Election Code.

1-11-10. Voting machines; objections to use.

Unless an objection to the use of a particular voting machine is filed in the district court within two days after it is prepared, inspected and sealed, the voting machine when certified to be correct by the county clerk shall be conclusively presumed to be properly prepared for the election. Any objection so filed shall specify the number of the voting machine objected to and the reason for the objection.

1-11-11. Election supplies; voting machines; delivery.

A. Voting machines shall be delivered to the assigned precinct polling place at least three days before the polls are required to be opened. The election supplies and the keys of voting machines shall be delivered to the presiding judge at least one hour before the polls are required to be opened.

B. The county clerk of any county shall certify to the secretary of state on forms provided by the secretary of state, that he has inspected each voting machine after delivery but before the date of the election and has found each machine to have been correctly labeled, that there has been no obvious external damage in delivery and that each machine has been delivered to the proper polling place in each precinct.

DONE AT THE SANDOVAL COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE
THIS 28TH DAY OF JANUARY 2026

Anne Brady-Romero
Sandoval County Clerk

