

## **G.S. 163A-1134(a)**

*No person or group of persons shall hinder access, harass others, distribute campaign literature, place political advertising, solicit votes, or otherwise engage in election related activity in the voting place or in a buffer zone which shall be prescribed by the County Board of Elections around the voting place. In determining the dimensions of that buffer zone for each voting place, the County Board of Elections shall, where practical, set the limit at 50 feet from the door of an entrance to the voting place, measured when that door is closed, but in no event shall it set the limit at more than 50 feet or at less than 25 feet.*



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## **Electioneering Laws and Information**



**ROCKINGHAM  
COUNTY**

**BOARD  
OF  
ELECTIONS**

*Tina Cardwell, Director*

The Rockingham County Board of Elections has defined areas at each Voting Location in which people may campaign.

Electioneering Areas are clearly marked with Signs, Orange Cones, Yellow Distance Tape, and/or Crowd Control Chain Sets.

Persons campaigning at any Rockingham County Voting Location must remain within the marked boundaries.

At each Voting Location, the Electioneering Area is set up beyond the Buffer Zone.

Campaigning is not permitted outside of the designated areas at any Rockingham County Voting Location.

## PRECINCTS/VOTING LOCATIONS

**Draper:** First Baptist Church of Draper  
**Eden - 1:** Bridge St. Recreation Center  
**Eden Central:** Osborne Baptist Church  
**Hogans:** Comers Chapel  
**Huntsville:** Huntsville Elementary School  
**Ironworks:** Monroeton Elementary School  
**Leaksville - 2:** Leaksville Christian Church  
**Lincoln:** Lincoln Elementary School  
**Matrimony:** Vera Holland Building  
**McCoy:** Reidsville Alliance Church  
**Moss Street:** Zion Baptist Church  
**New Bethel:** Sharon Baptist Church  
**Rock Central:** Rockingham Co. Agricultural Building  
**Southeast:** Williamsburg Elementary School  
**Western:** Madison Mayodan Public Library

## ELECTIONEERING (Buffer) ZONES

<u>Precinct</u>	<u>Electioneering (Buffer) Zone</u>
Draper	25' From Entrance to Building
Eden - 1	50' From Entrance to Building
Eden Central	25' From Entrance to Building
Hogans	25' From Entrance to Building
Huntsville	25' From Entrance to Building
Ironworks	25' From Entrance to Building
Leaksville - 2	25' From Entrance to Building
Lincoln	25' From Entrance to Building
Matrimony	25' From Entrance to Building
McCoy	25' From Entrance to Building
Moss Street	25' From Entrance to Building
New Bethel	25' From Entrance to Building
Rock Central	25' From Entrance to Building
Southeast	25' From Entrance to Building
Western	25' From Entrance to Building

\*Campaign signs are not permitted on the private property of Voting Locations prior to Election Day except as permitted by law on the roads in a state maintained right-of-way.

## ELECTIONEERING AT THE POLLING PLACE

It is not 'electioneering' for a Voter to carry a marked sample ballot, 'slates', campaign literature, or a campaign button into the voting enclosure. Voters are permitted to take such items into the voting enclosure, but they may not hand them to other Voters if they are within the Buffer Zone.

Voters who are wearing clothing or accessories that have candidate or ballot item issues printed on them are only permitted to enter the voting enclosure while in the act of voting.

A Voter entering his/her voting place shall not be required to:

-Relinquish any political campaign literature, brochures or pamphlets in his/her personal possession.

-Discard, relinquish or otherwise dispose of any 'sample' ballot in their possession whether clipped from a newspaper or otherwise.

In other words, a Voter may carry into the voting booth any such 'sample' ballot, pamphlet or literature that the Voter chooses to retain in his/her possession. Such action does not constitute electioneering, and Precinct Officials are without authority to require Voters to discard or otherwise dispose of these items. It shall be lawful to provide a waste receptacle in which a Voter, at his/her option, may dispose of such items. Obviously, the above does not permit the distribution of such literature within the voting enclosure.