

2016 Poll Watcher Guidelines at Polls

ELECTION OBSERVER GUIDELINES

- Observers must provide a letter from the candidate or group that has appointed them as a poll watcher.
- Observers will be allowed sufficiently close to observe.
- Observers may not interfere with the orderly processing of voters or the voters engaged in voting.

What Are Observers Allowed To Do?

- Observe the voting process
- Take notes and watch all procedures.

What Are Observers Responsible For?

- Maintaining a professional manner while observing the election process.
- Ensure they do not interfere with the election process.

What Are Observers NOT Allowed To Do?

- Where campaign or candidate paraphernalia.
- Interfere in any way with the conduct of the election.
- Touch any voting materials or equipment or sit at the official worktables.
- Talk to workers while they are processing voters.
- Tell workers what to do. (Please let them do the job we trained them to do.)
- Touch election personnel.
- Talk in a loud voice, cause confusion, or congregate in an area that may disrupt the process.

Questions regarding processes must be directed to Rozan Mitchell at 385-468-7400 or rmitchell@slco.org.