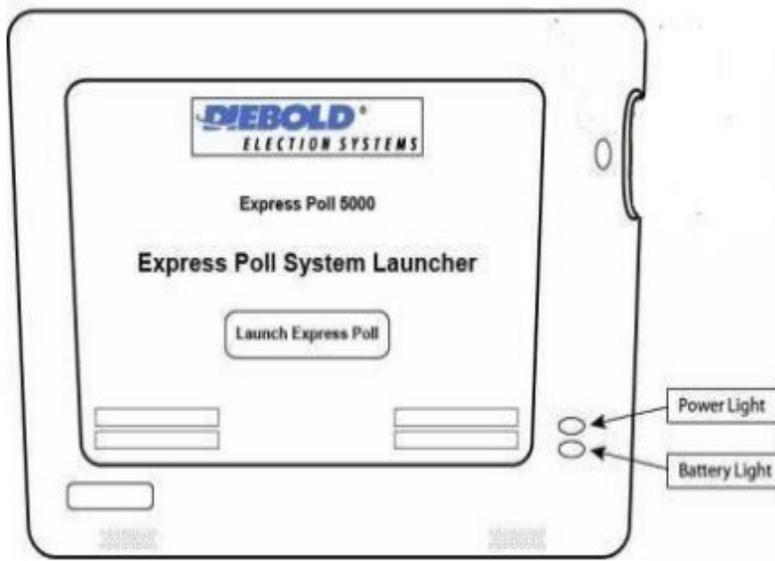


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## Introduction to the Pollbook

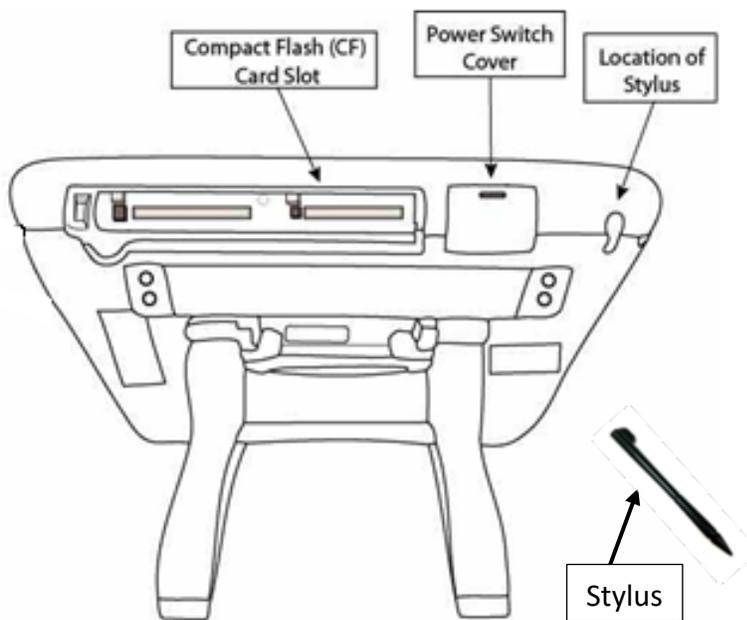
Figure - Front of the Pollbook



The **Power Light** is green when the unit is in use.

The **Battery Light** will flash green when the unit is plugged in and is charging. The light is off when there is no power.

Figure - Top of the Pollbook



The **Compact Flash (CF) Card Slot** contains a compact flash card. This card stores election information and a list of eligible voters. The protective cover for the CF Card Slot must remain closed and sealed during an election. The **Power Switch Cover** can be opened to use the on/off power switch.

The **Stylus** is pen-shaped and has a hard point. It is stored in the top of the unit. It must be used to navigate the electronic pollbook. Use the stylus to "touch" commands on the screen.

# Unpacking the Pollbooks

## Pre-election

Complete steps 1 through 13 for all pollbooks.

The electronic pollbook and printer cases will be delivered in a rolling luggage cart. Make sure the luggage tags on the cases have the correct district/precinct number. Disengage the strap and put the cases on the check-in table(s).

1. Open the printer case (the printer case does not have a seal) and remove the *Pollbook Integrity Report*.
2. Make sure the outer seal number matches the number in column 1 of the *Pollbook Integrity Report*. Return to the chief judges.

**Figure - Outer Seal and the Pollbook Integrity Report**




**Maryland State Board of Elections**  
 Pollbook Integrity Report - 2026 Gubernatorial Primary Election

County: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: June 23, 2026

District/Precinct: \_\_\_\_\_

Judges must:

1. Opening: Print and sign the opening *Ballot Counts Report* and *Voter Counts Report* from each pollbook and attach them to this form before the polls open.
2. Complete the "Opening" section.
3. During: Verify and record information if you have to remove the inner seal during the day.
4. Closing: Print and sign the *Ballot Counts Report* and *Voter Counts Report* from each pollbook and attach them to this form.
5. Complete the "Closing" section.
6. Have Chief Judges sign the form after the polls close.

Pollbook	OPENING				DURING		CLOSING
	1 Outer Seal # (on outside of storage case)	2 State Asset Tag # (on back of pollbook)	3 Inner Seal # (on top lid of pollbook)	4 Verify inner seal was intact when polls opened (initial)	5 If inner seal was removed during the day, please record reason here. If more room is needed use back of this page.	6 New Inner Seal #	7 New Outer Seal # (applied to storage case at closing)
#1	Verify <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Verify <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Verify <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	REP <input type="checkbox"/> DEM <input type="checkbox"/>	Record	Record	Record
#2							
#3							
#4							
#5							
#6							

To the best of our knowledge the information on this report is true and correct.

**The Electronic Pollbook CF Cards were removed at the close of the polls and given to the Chief Judges.**

Democratic Chief Judge \_\_\_\_\_ Republican Chief Judge \_\_\_\_\_

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3. Take off the outer seal. Put the broken seals in the location designated by the Montgomery County Board of Elections.
4. Open the two latches of the pollbook case.
5. Unplug the internal power connection from the pollbook.

6. Take the pollbook and power cord from the case.



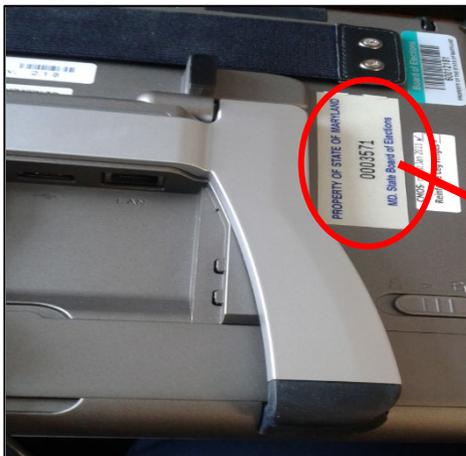
**Do not grab the pollbook by its legs! Use the elastic strap on the back of the pollbook.**

**Figure - Elastic Strap on the back of the pollbook**



7. Make sure the state asset tag number on the back of each pollbook matches the numbers in column 2 of the *Pollbook Integrity Report*.

**Figure - State Asset Tag Number and Pollbook Integrity Report**




**Maryland State Board of Elections**  
 Pollbook Integrity Report - 2026 Gubernatorial Primary Election

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- Have Chief Judges sign the form after the polls close.

	OPENING				DURING		CLOSING
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Pollbook	Outer Seal # (on outside of storage case)	State Asset Tag # (on back of pollbook)	Inner Seal # (on top lid of pollbook)	Verify inner seal was intact when polls opened (initial)	If inner seal was removed during the day, please record reason here. If more room is needed use back of this page.	New Inner Seal #	New Outer Seal # (applied to storage case at closing)
	Verify	Verify	Verify	REP	DEM	Record	Record
#1							
#2							
#3							
#4							
#5							
#6							

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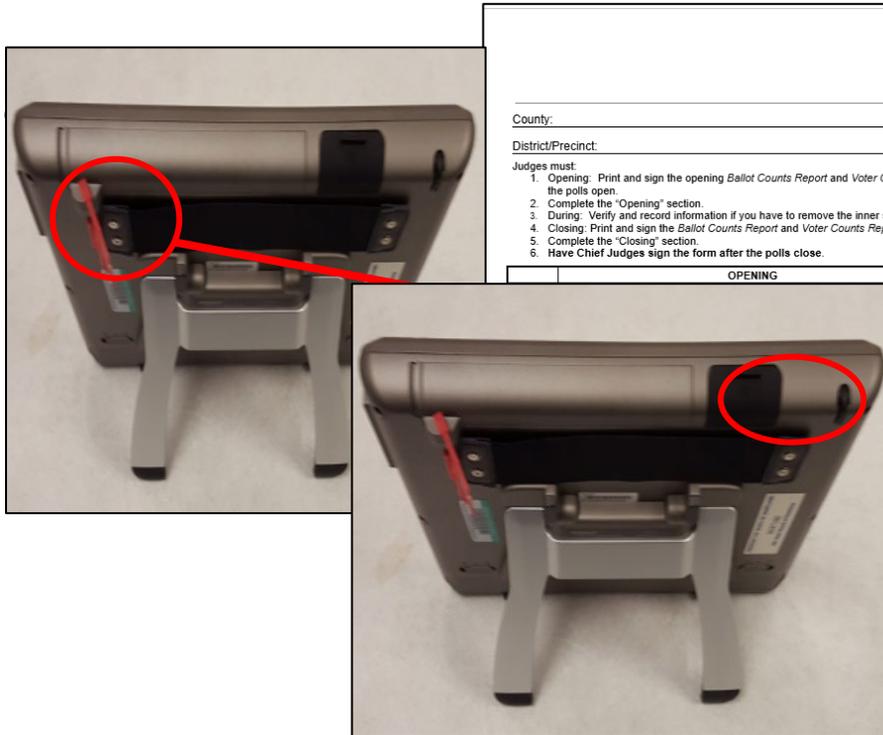
\_\_\_\_\_  
Democratic Chief Judge

\_\_\_\_\_  
Republican Chief Judge

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8. Make sure the inner seal number on the top of each pollbook is not broken. Make sure the number matches the numbers in column 3 of the *Pollbook Integrity Report*. **DO NOT REMOVE THE INNER SEAL.**

**Figure - Inner Seal and the Pollbook Integrity Report**



**Maryland State Board of Elections**  
Pollbook Integrity Report - 2026 Gubernatorial Primary Election

County: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: June 23, 2026

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		4	5	6	7
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P	DEM	Record	Record	Record	Record

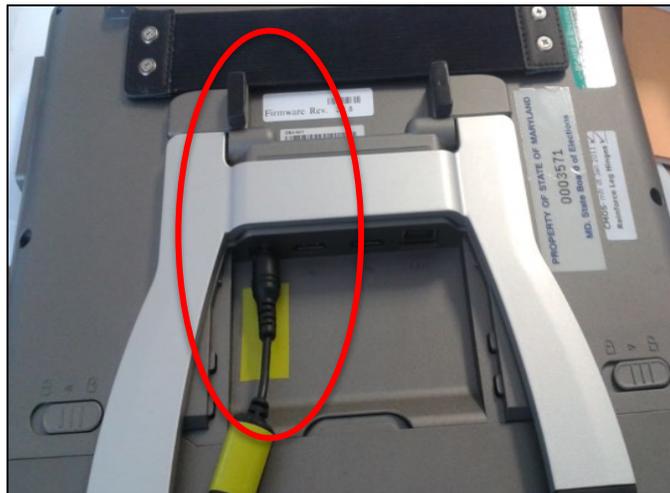
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Republican Chief Judge \_\_\_\_\_

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9. Insert the power cord (marked with yellow tape) into the first connection slot marked with "PWR." Plug the other end into a power source. **Do NOT turn on the power switch yet!**

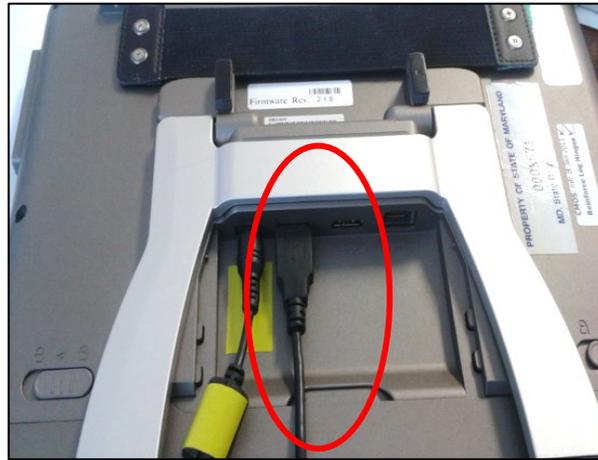
**Figure - Power Cord (Marked with Yellow Tape) of the Pollbook**



***Your polling place may have a Universal Power Source (UPS) unit. If so, plug the electronic pollbook into the UPS as directed by the Montgomery County Board of Elections.***

10. Take the printer's USB cable from the printer case. Plug the larger end into one of the two USB ports located on the back of the pollbook. It does not matter which USB port you use.

Figure - One of the Two USB Ports on the Back of the Pollbook



11. Plug one end of the printer's power cord (marked with blue tape) into the printer. Plug the other end into a power source.



***The printer end of the power cord is bent 90 degrees (elbow shaped). DO NOT connect an electronic pollbook power cord (marked with yellow tape) to the printer. It will cause severe damage to the printer.***

12. Plug the smaller end of the USB cable into the printer.

Figure - Smaller End of the USB Cable in the Printer



13. Test the printer. If the green light is on, press the power button to turn it off. Firmly hold down the power button and the paper feed button at the same time. After a short delay, the lights will flash as the test page prints.

## 10-6 Pollbook

14. Plug one end of a LAN cable into the LAN port of a pollbook.

15. Extend the legs on the back of the pollbook to about 45°. Extending the legs too far may cause them to break. Set the pollbook upright on its legs

16. Repeat steps 3 through 16 for all Pollbooks.



***There should be one printer for each pollbook. If there are any printers missing, notify the Montgomery County Board of Elections right away.***

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## Checking the Pollbooks

Complete steps 1 through 8 for all pollbooks.

1. Turn the power switch to ON. **DO NOT NETWORK THE POLLBOOKS YET.**

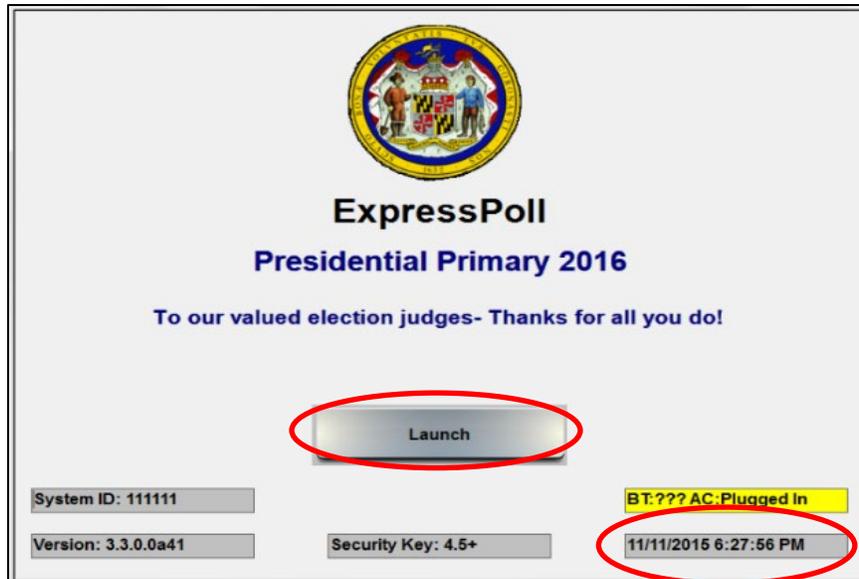
**Figure - Power Switch on the Top of the Pollbook**



2. When the pollbook switch is ON, the “Launch” screen will appear.

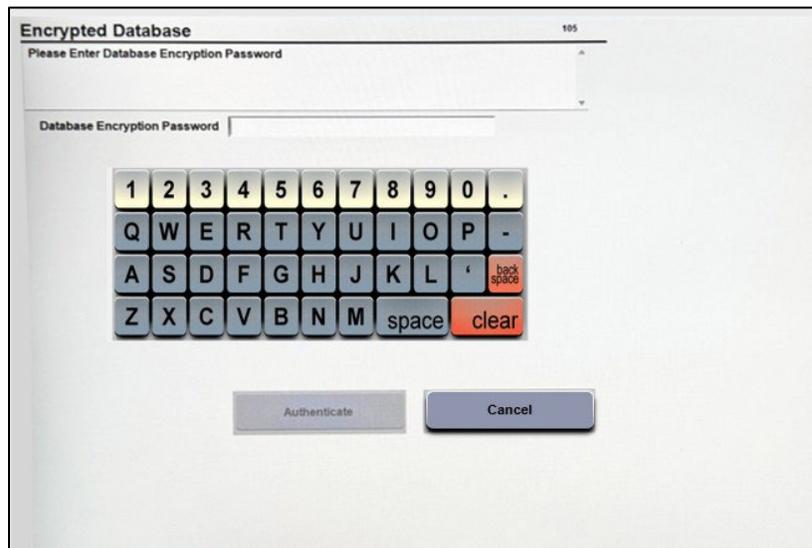
- Make sure the date and time is correct. If the date or time is incorrect, tell a chief judge right away. The chief judge will document it in the *Chief Judges’ Election Log* and reset the time after the pollbook has been launched. They will tap the “Launch” button with the stylus. The chief judge will contact the Help Desk for technical support, if needed.
- If the date and time is correct, tap the “Launch” button with the stylus.

Figure – Date & Time and the "Launch" Button on the Pollbook



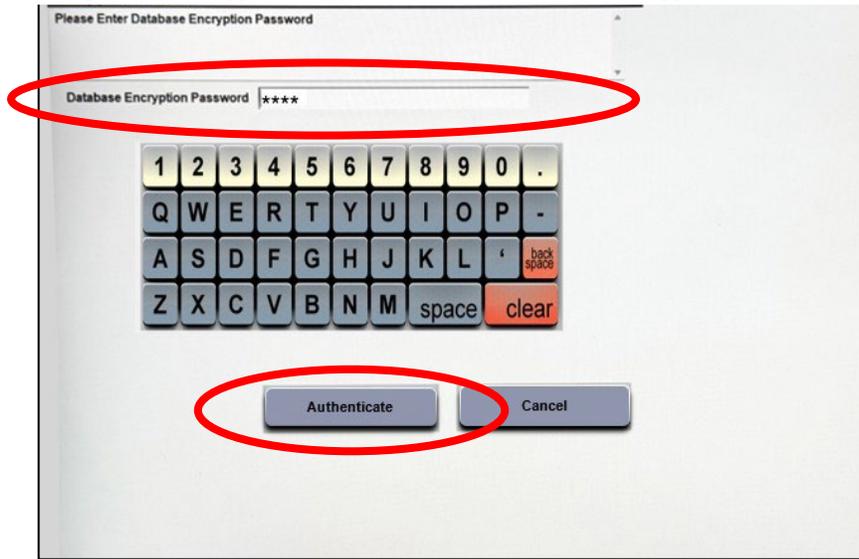
3. The "Encrypted Database" screen will appear.

Figure - Encrypted Database Screen



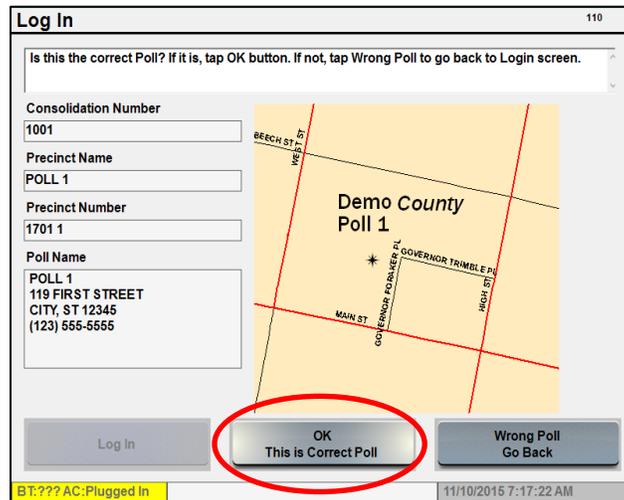
4. A chief judge will enter the Encryption Code (located in the Chief Judges' Binder) into the Database Encryption Password field and select "Authenticate."

**Figure - Encrypted Database Screen with Encryption Code**



5. Make sure the poll name on the left side of the screen is correct. Then tap the "OK This is Correct Poll" button at the bottom the screen.

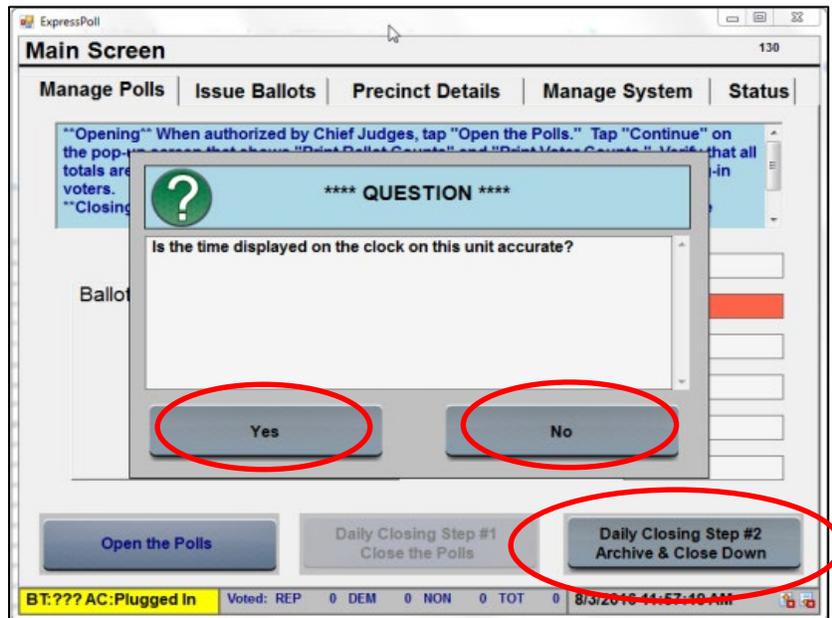
**Figure - Poll Name on the Left Side of the Screen and "OK This is Correct Poll" Button on the Pollbook**



***If the polling place shown is not correct, tell a chief judge right away. The chief judge will tell the Montgomery County Board of Elections immediately.***

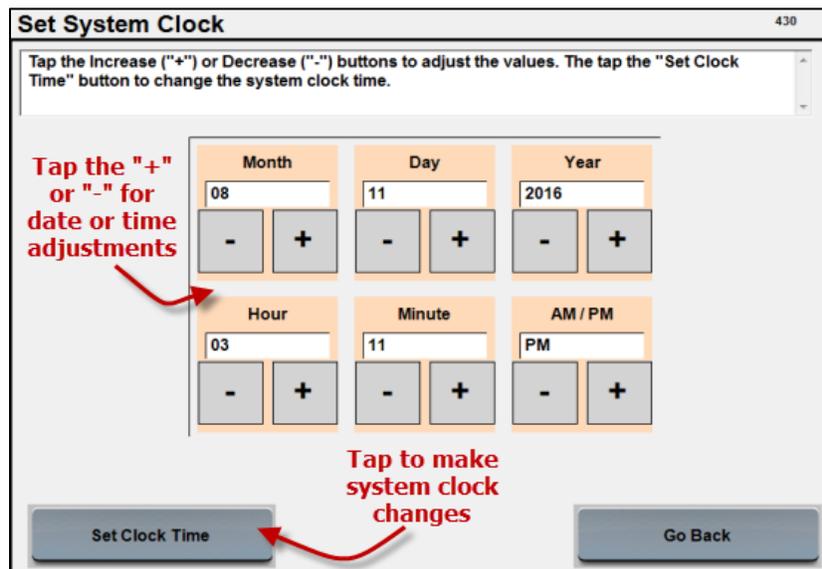
6. Select "Yes" or "No" when you are asked to check that the time in the bottom right corner matches the correct time.
  - If "No" is selected, go to step 7.
  - If "Yes" is selected, go to step 8.

Figure - "No" and "Yes" Buttons and Date & Time on the Pollbook



7. Change the date and time by tapping "+" or "-". Tap "Set Clock Time" to save changes.

Figure - Changing the Date and Time on the Pollbook

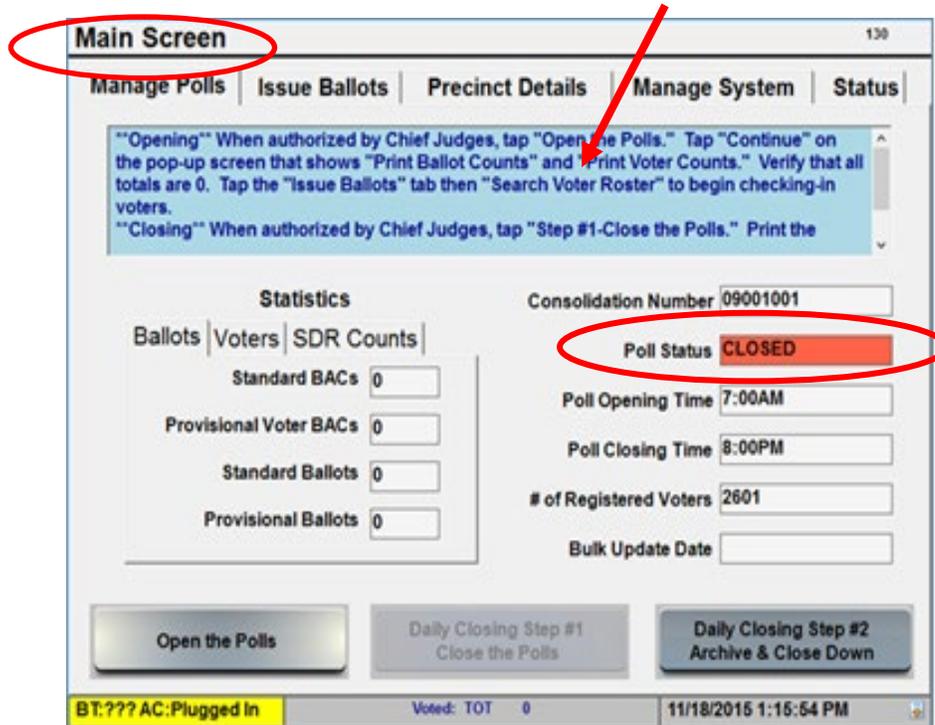


8. The "Main Screen" will appear with the "Manage Polls" tab at the top of the screen. The Poll Status will be "Closed."



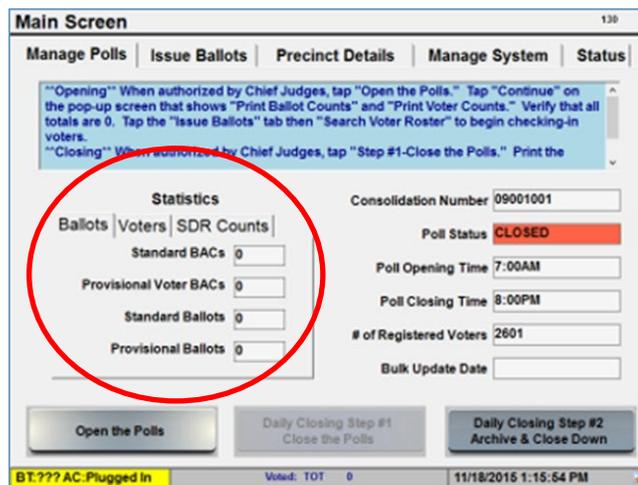
***Almost everything you will need to know about using the pollbook is in the onscreen instructions. Please read them!***

Figure - "Main Screen" and Onscreen Instructions on the Pollbook



9. Tap the "Ballots", "Voters" and "SDR" tabs under the "Statistics" tab to make sure that all the numbers are zero. Be sure to check all tabs under "Statistics" for zeroes before networking the pollbooks.

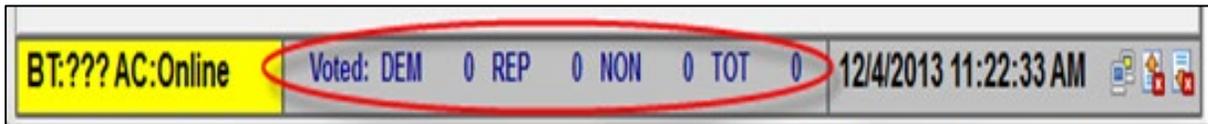
Figure - "Ballots", "Voters" and "SDR" Statistics are Zero



***Tell a chief judge right away if any of these numbers are not zero. Do not network the pollbooks if any number is not zero.***

10. Make sure that the totals at the bottom of the screen are zero.

- For the primary election:



- For the general election:



***Alert a chief judge immediately if any of these numbers are not zero.  
Do not network the pollbooks if any number is not zero.***

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## Opening the Polls

Election morning:

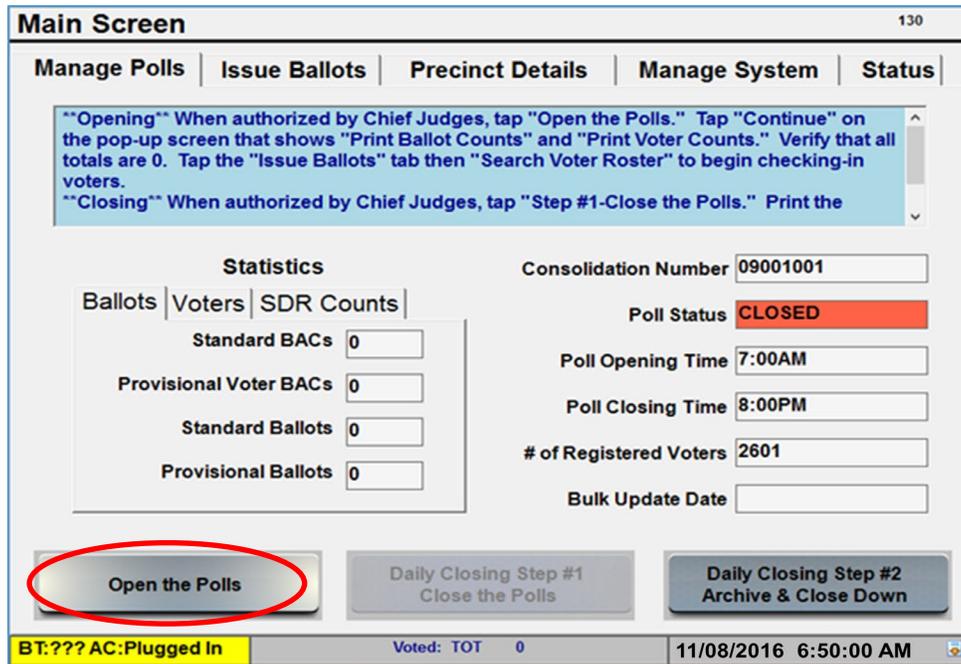
Chief Judges will turn on, launch, and network the pollbooks according to the instructions from the Montgomery County Board of Elections. All tasks are supervised by the chief judges.

Do not check-in voters before 7:00 a.m.

Complete steps 1 through 5 for all pollbooks as close to 7:00 a.m. as possible. Follow these steps for for ech pollbook.

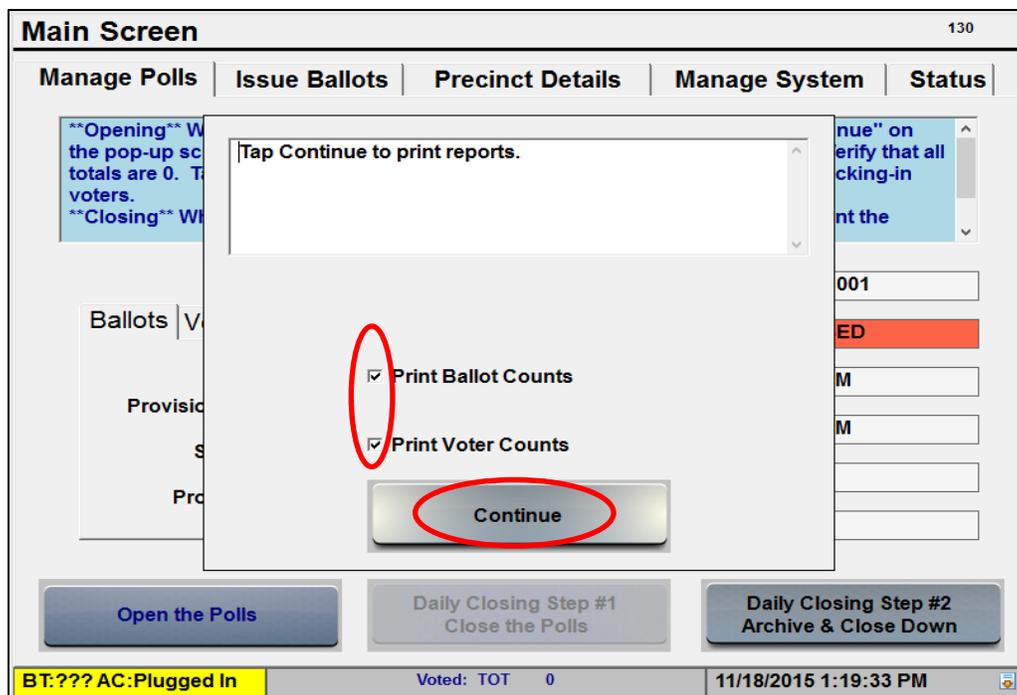
1. Tap the "Open the Polls" button.

Figure - "Open the Polls" Button on the Pollbook



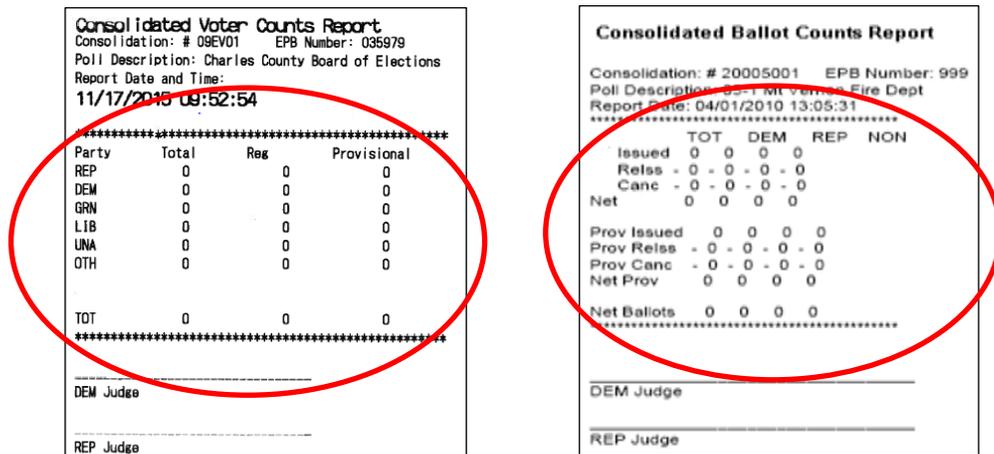
2. Make sure the Print Ballot Counts and Print Voter Counts boxes have check marks in the pop-up menu.

Figure - Checkmarks in the "Print Ballot Counts" and "Print Voter Counts" Boxes on the Pollbook



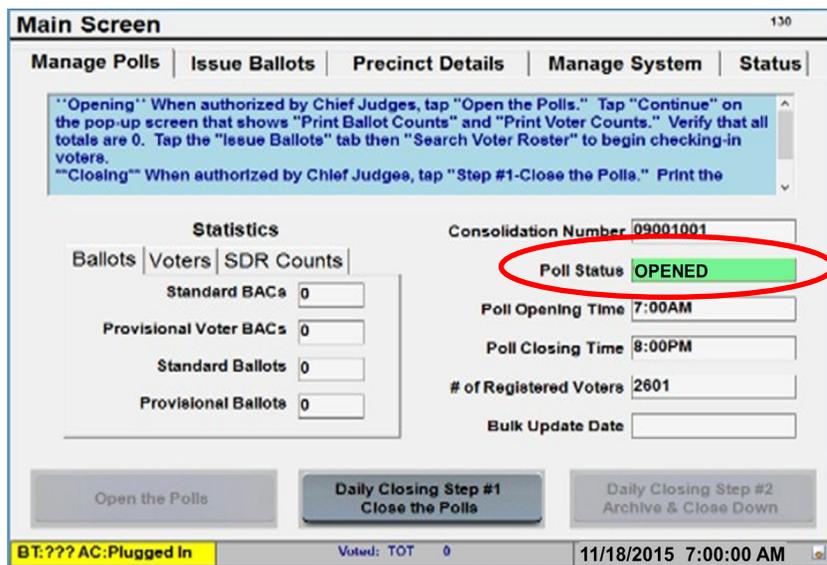
3. Tap "Continue" to print the Ballot Counts and Voter Counts reports. Two reports will print.
4. Make sure all totals on the *Consolidated Voter Counts Report* and *Consolidated Ballot Counts Report* are zero. Tell a chief judge right away if the totals are not zero.

**Figure - Zeroes on the Consolidated Voter Counts Report and Consolidated Ballot Counts Report**



5. The "Poll Status" will change from red to green. It will read "OPENED."

**Figure - Poll Status Says "OPENED" and Shaded Green**



## Networking the Pollbooks

### ***Networking for Same Day Registration***

The Montgomery County Board of Elections will train election judges how to network the pollbooks with the Cradlepoint Router. This will ensure that networking is connected correctly. Notify the Montgomery County Board of Elections immediately about any issues with connecting the pollbooks.

Additional instructions to network the pollbooks for same day registration on election day are included in the Chief Judges' binder.



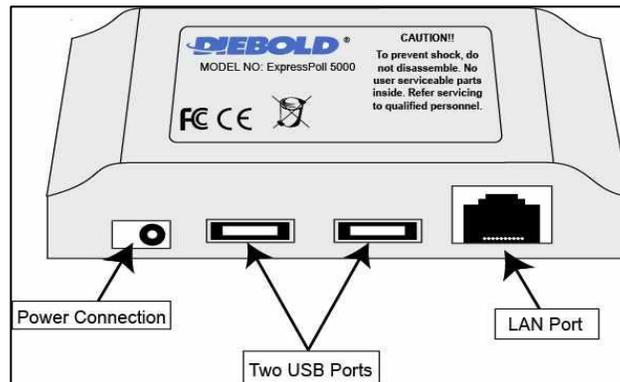
***Do not network (connect) the pollbooks until after:***

- ***All pollbooks have been turned on individually.***
- ***The “Statistics” on the “Main Screen” are verified as zeroes for the “Ballots”, “Voter” and “SDR” tabs.***
- ***The Consolidated Voter Counts Report and Consolidated Ballot Counts Report are printed on each pollbook.***

The back of the pollbook has four (4) ports. From left to right:

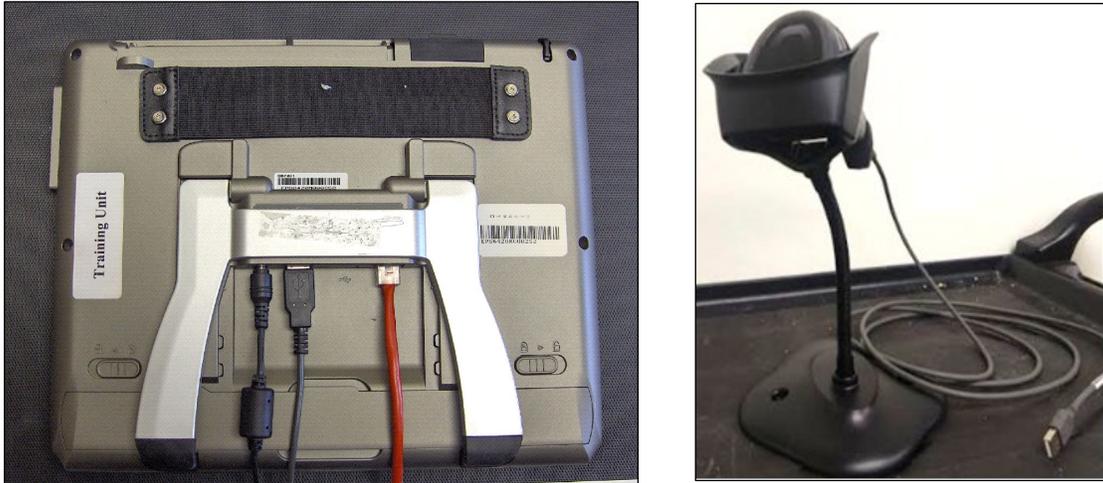
- Power connection port (PWR) to attach the power cord
- Two (2) USB ports (  ); one to connect the printer and one to connect the SDR handheld barcode scanner..
- LAN port to attach the LAN cable that networks all the pollbooks in the same polling place to each other.

**Figure - Four Ports on the Back of the Pollbook**



All cable connectors will only fit in the ports in one way. If the plug does not fit in the port easily, ask for help. Put in the USB plug with the USB icon facing up. Put the LAN plug with the locking tab facing up.

**Figure - Connections on the Back of the Pollbook**



The back of the pollbook may remain covered during the election to help prevent disconnection.

**Figure – Installed Cover on the Back of the Pollbook**



## Networking Pollbooks

1. Turn all Pollbooks **OFF** before connecting the network cables.

Figure - Power Button on the Top of the Pollbook



2. The router connects all pollbooks within the polling place. The router will allow all pollbooks to synchronize data in the polling place and with the State server (during early voting only).

Figure - Router Used to Connect the Pollbooks



Router Front with  
Installed Antennae



Router Back with Cable  
and Power Connections

3. Plug the router's power cord into the first port in the back of the router and turn the power switch to the on position.

Figure - Back of the Router



4. Plug the power cord into the power strip.
5. Plug one end of a LAN cable into the LAN port of a pollbook.

Figure – LAN Cable in the LAN Port on the Back of the Pollbook



6. Plug the other end of the LAN cable into any port in the router. There are 10 available ports on the back of the router.

**Figure – Router with Attached LAN Cables**



7. Repeat steps 1 through 6 for each pollbook. Be sure to connect pollbook 1 to the #1 LAN port, pollbook 2 to the #2 LAN port, etc. Doing so will help if an issue with connection arises.
8. Turn each pollbook ON **one at a time**. Wait until the “Launch” screen appears before turning on the next pollbook.

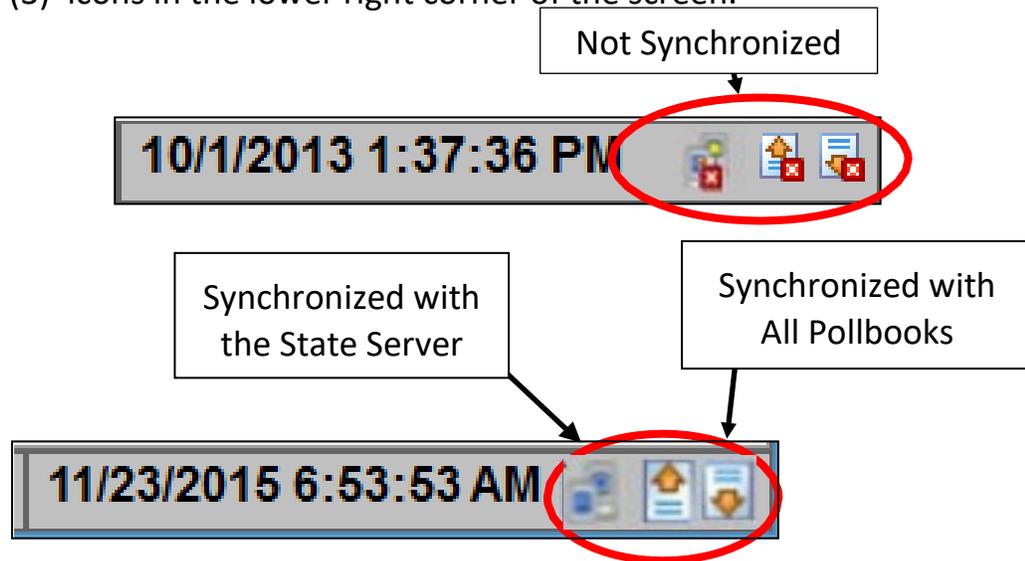
**Figure - Power Button at the Top of the Pollbook**



9. Go to the “Checking Synchronization” section of this chapter.

## Checking Synchronization

Make sure that the pollbooks are synchronized with all pollbooks in the polling place (as well as the State server, **during Early Voting only**). Look at the three (3) icons in the lower right corner of the screen.



If the pollbooks are not synchronized, make sure that all connections between the pollbooks and the router are plugged in securely.

If the pollbooks will not synchronize, notify a chief judge right away. The chief judge will notify the Montgomery County Board of Elections who will provide instructions.

**Early Voting Only:** The third icon from the left indicates synchronization with the State server. It will take approximately 2 to 4 minutes to connect with the State server after all pollbooks and router are powered on and connected. For problems with synchronization with the State server, the chief judge should notify the local board of elections.

During the day, check the totals for “Voted” at the bottom of the screen to make sure all totals on all the pollbooks are the same.



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If the pollbooks are not synchronized, make sure that all connections between the pollbooks and the Cradlepoint Router are plugged in and secure. If the pollbooks will not synchronize, tell a chief judge right away. The chief judge will ask the Roamer or call the Help Desk for technical assistance.

## Entering and Clearing Data in the Pollbook

The pollbook accepts only letters A-Z for name lookup. Do not use spaces, hyphens or apostrophes. The voter's name will print correctly (including apostrophes) on the voter authority card.

- Tap the "backspace" key to delete one or more letters.
- Tap the "clear" key to delete an entire field.
- Tap the "Clear ALL" button to clear all search fields.

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## Finding Voters in the Pollbook



***Election judges are not allowed to ask for ID. Election judges may accept ID if offered by a voter. Election judges must ask the voter to say their name, address, and month and day of birth. If unable to speak, a voter may provide a written response using a Comment Card or document.***

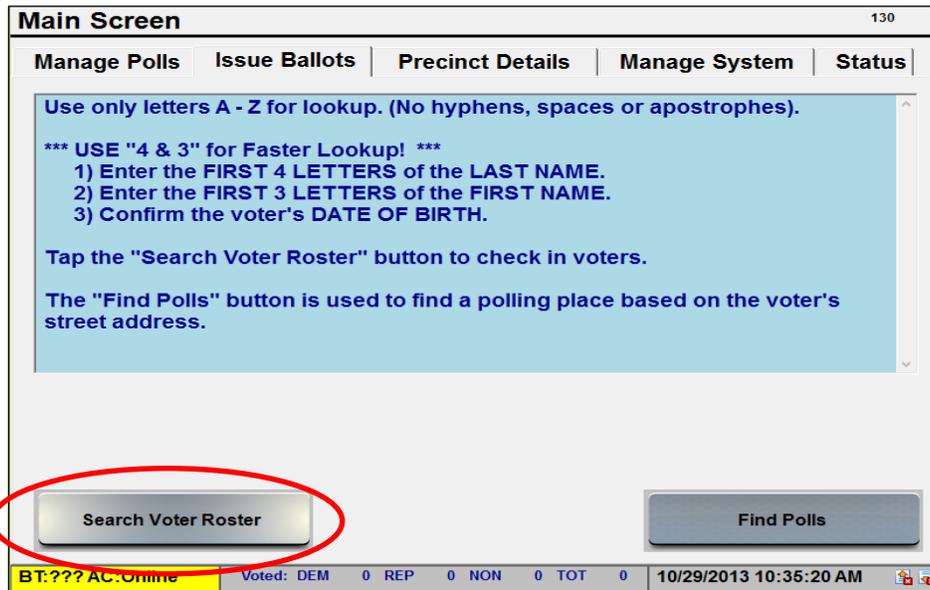
1. Tap the "Issue Ballots" tab at the top of the screen.

Figure - "Issue Ballots" Tab on the Main Screen of the Pollbook

The screenshot shows the 'Main Screen' of the pollbook interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with five tabs: 'Manage Polls', 'Issue Ballots', 'Precinct Details', 'Manage System', and 'Status'. The 'Issue Ballots' tab is highlighted with a red circle. Below the navigation bar, there is a blue text box containing instructions for opening and closing the polls. The main area is divided into two sections: 'Statistics' on the left and 'Poll Information' on the right. The 'Statistics' section has sub-tabs for 'Ballots', 'Voters', and 'SDR Counts'. Under 'Ballots', there are four input fields: 'Standard BACs' (0), 'Provisional Voter BACs' (0), 'Standard Ballots' (0), and 'Provisional Ballots' (0). The 'Poll Information' section includes fields for 'Consolidation Number' (09001001), 'Poll Status' (OPENED), 'Poll Opening Time' (7:00AM), 'Poll Closing Time' (8:00PM), '# of Registered Voters' (2601), and 'Bulk Update Date'. At the bottom, there are three buttons: 'Open the Polls', 'Daily Closing Step #1 Close the Polls', and 'Daily Closing Step #2 Archive & Close Down'. The status bar at the very bottom shows 'BT:??? AC:Plugged In', 'Voted: TOT 0', and the date/time '11/18/2015 1:24:21 PM'.

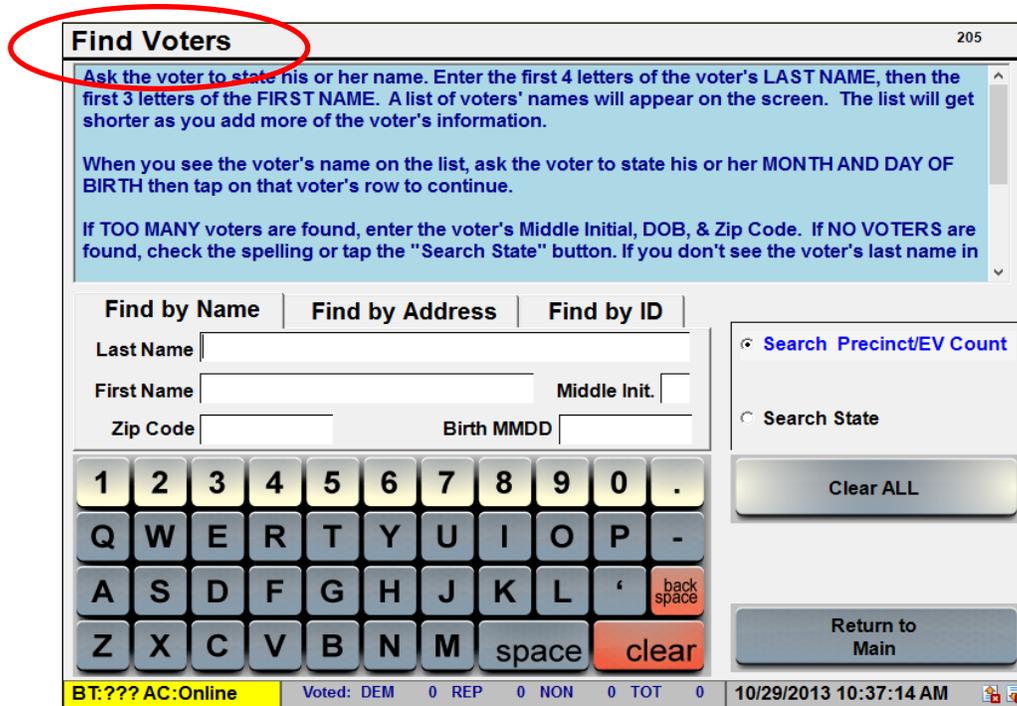
2. Tap the "Search Voter Roster" button on the bottom left of the "Issue Ballots" screen.

Figure - "Search Voter Roster" Button on the Main Screen of the Pollbook



3. The "Find Voters" screen appears next. You are ready to check-in voters.

Figure - "Find Voters" Screen on the Pollbook



4. Ask **“What is your name?”**- Use the **4-3 method** by entering only the first 4 letters of the voter’s last name and the first 3 letters of the voter’s first name.
  - Repeat the voter’s name.
  - On the “Find Voter’s” screen, touch the “Last Name” field box. Then type in the first 4 letters of the voter’s last name.
  - Note: Do not use apostrophes or hyphens. For example, O’Neal should be entered ONEA, El-Habib should be entered as ELHA, etc.
  - Touch the “First Name” field box. Then enter the first 3 letters of the voter’s first name. The list of names will get shorter as you add letters.

**Figure - Last Name & First Name Field Boxes on the Pollbook**

Name	Address	County	DOB	Status	Issued	Party
Linc Abraham Quincy	Main St APT A Anytown 12345	Anne Arundel	03/01 /1802	Active	None	REP

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1 voters found.

Find by Name | Find by Address | Find by ID

Last Name: LINC

First Name: ABR | Middle Init.:

Zip Code: | Birth MMDD: 03/01

Search Precinct/EV Count

Search State (add mi)

Clear ALL

Return to Main

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If a scroll bar appears on the right side indicating a long list of names, then you may need to narrow down the search. Tap the “Middle Init” field box and tap the first letter of the voter’s middle name. If the voter has no middle name, use the “space” key to enter a blank space in the “Middle Init” box.

You may also narrow the voter search by entering the voter’s zip code or month and day of birth. This can only be done after at least one letter has been entered for the voter’s last and first name fields.

5. Ask ***“What is your month and day of birth?”***

Make sure the month and day match the date shown in the DOB field. Confirm the voter’s month and day of birth to make sure you see the correct voter. Be careful not to confuse father and son, mother and daughter, father and daughter, etc.

Figure - DOB Field on the Pollbook

Name	Address	County	DOB	Status	Issued	Pa
Linc Abraham Quincy	Main St APT A Anytown 12345	Anne Arunde	03/01 /1802	Active	None	RE

1 voters found.

Find by Name | Find by Address | Find by ID

Last Name: LINC  
First Name: ABR | Middle Init.:  
Zip Code: | Birth MMDD: 03/01

Search Precinct/EV Count  
Search State (add mi)

Clear ALL  
Return to Main

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6. If you found the information for the right voter, go to the section called ***“Checking in Voters.”***

7. If you cannot find the voter’s name in the precinct roster:

- Make sure you entered the voter’s name without punctuation (apostrophes, hyphens, etc.).
- Enter the voter’s date of birth (use the MMDD format). For example, “August 2” would be entered as “0802.”
- Check all possible variations of spelling for the name or ask the voter to spell his or her name.
- Search the State roster (see the *“Finding Voters in the State Roster”* section below).
- Search for the voter by his or her address (see the *“Finding Voters by Street Address”* section below).

## Finding Voters in the State Roster

If you cannot find a voter's name in the precinct roster and have verified the correct spelling, tap the "Search State" button to widen the search.'

Figure - "Search State" Button on the Pollbook

**Find Voters** 205

\*\*\* Voter NOT FOUND in Precinct \*\*\*.  
Search the state for this voter:  
1) Make sure that the "4 & 3" letters are entered correctly  
(first 4 letters of last name, first 3 letters of first name)  
2) Enter Date Of Birth  
3) Enter Middle Initial  
4) Tap the "Search State" button.  
If voter is still NOT FOUND, try "Find by Address"

Find by Name | Find by Address | Find by ID

Last Name ZZZZ  
First Name ZZZ Middle Init. X  
Zip Code 20201 Birth MMDD 09/19

Search Precinct/EV Count  
Search State

Clear ALL

Return to Main

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If there are too many voters found in the State, enter more letters of the last and first names to narrow the search.



***When searching for a common name (Jane Smith, Mary Williams, James Johnson, etc.), the best way to narrow the search is to add the voter's middle initial, date of birth, and/or zip code.***



***To use the middle initial to search for a voter with no middle name, you must use the "space" key to enter a blank space in the "Middle Init" box.***

## Finding Voters by Street Address

If you cannot find a voter's name after checking for various spellings, tap the "Find by Address" tab. Enter the voter's house number and street name.

Figure - "Find by Address" Tab on the Pollbook

**Find Voters** 205

Find a voter using a street address:  
1) Enter the Street name  
Note: If street name has a direction (N, S, E, W, NE, NW, SE, SW) the abbreviated direction MUST be included (with no period).  
Example: If voter lives on South Main Street, enter "S MAIN"  
2) Enter the House Number

Find by Name | **Find by Address** | Find by ID

House #   
Street  Apt.   
Zip Code

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 .  
Q W E R T Y U I O P -  
A S D F G H J K L ' back space  
Z X C V B N M space clear

Search Precinct/EV Count  
Search State (add mi)

Clear ALL

Return to Main

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Figure - "House #" and "Street" Fields on the Pollbook

**Find Voters** 205

Name	Address	County	DOB	Status	Issued	Party
Harrison	9 Main St	Anne	09/14	Active	ABS	UNA
William Henry	Anytown 12345	Arundel	/1952		Issued	

Find by Name | **Find by Address** | Find by ID

House #    
Street  Apt.   
Zip Code

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 .  
Q W E R T Y U I O P -  
A S D F G H J K L ' back space  
Z X C V B N M space clear

Search Precinct/EV Count  
Search State

Clear ALL

Return to Main

1 voters found.

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The "Find by Address" lookup always searches the entire state.

If a voter's street name includes a direction, type "N" for "North," "S" for "South," etc. DO NOT put a period after the abbreviation.

Do not type the street type – such as "Street" or "Avenue."

Select the voter's name on the "Find Voters" screen to continue checking in the voter.

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## **Voter Not Found in the Pollbook**

If you cannot find the voter's name in the pollbook, tell a chief judge right away. The chief judge may do an additional search and will explain the voting options to the voter if the voter cannot be found.

The individual may be eligible to register to vote using same day registration. Send the individual to the same day registration judge.

If the voter is registered to vote and is at the correct precinct for the voter's address, all contests on the provisional ballot will be counted.

If the voter is registered to vote and is not at the correct precinct, the voter can choose to go to the correct precinct. If the voter insists on voting at the polling place, a provisional ballot will be issued and only the contests the voter is eligible to vote for will be counted.

If the voter is not registered to vote at that precinct and is not eligible to register using same day registration, the Montgomery County Board of Elections will determine whether the individual's ballot will be counted.

## **Voter is Registered in Another Precinct**

The voter can choose to go to his or her correct precinct to vote. Or the voter can stay and vote a provisional ballot.

- If the voter chooses to go to the correct precinct, every contest will be counted.
- If the voter chooses to stay and vote a provisional ballot, only the contests the voter is eligible to vote for will be counted. **Use provisional code 1.**



*The electronic pollbook will find a voter's assigned polling place based on the voter's registered address. See the "Find a Voter's Correct Polling Place" section in this chapter.*

## Finding a Voter's Correct Polling Place

1. Tap "Find Polls" under the "Issue Ballots" tab on the Main Screen.

Figure - "Find Polls" Screen on the Pollbook

2. Enter the voter's current address. Start with just the street name.

Figure - Entering the Voter's Address on the Pollbook

- If the street name includes a direction, the street name must be preceded by the directional abbreviation (N, S, E, W, etc.). Do not put periods after the abbreviation. Do not enter a street type (St, Rd, Ave, Ct, etc.) after the street name.

- For numbered streets, first try numbers (not spelled out.) Try “2ND” for 2<sup>nd</sup> Street or 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, “5TH” for 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. If the street is not found, try spelling out the street. For example, try: “FOURTH” for 4<sup>th</sup> Street or 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, “W FIFTH” for West 5<sup>th</sup> Street.
3. All address ranges that match the search criteria will be displayed. Enter the house number and zip code to narrow the search. Tap the row to display the polling place details.

Figure - Address Search Result on the Pollbook

Find the correct Polling Place for a Street Address 380

Street	House No.	Apt No.	Side	Precinct
Main Ave SW Glen Burnie 21061	2 to 320		B	002-007-1
Main St Prince Frederick 20770	00 to 1326		B	002-004-1
Main St Grantsville 21536	00 to 724		B	003-001-1
Main St Deer Park 21550	00 to 535		B	010-000-1

24 Streets Found

House #  ?

Street  Apt.

Zip Code

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 .

Q W E R T Y U I O P -

A S D F G H J K L ' back space

Z X C V B N M space clear

Clear

Go Back to Find Voters

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Figure - Poll Name and Address on the Pollbook

Consolidation Number

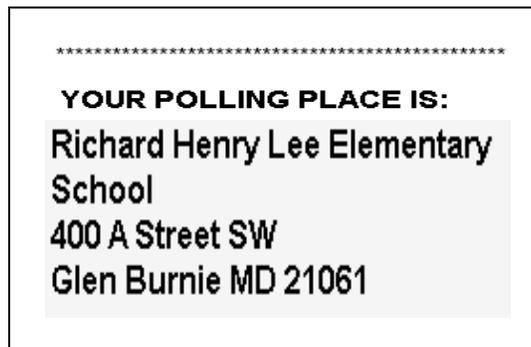
Consolidation Description

Poll Name and Address

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4. Tap the "Print Information" button for a paper print-out of the polling place name and address that can be given to the voter. The map will not print.

Figure - Polling Place Name and Address for the Voter



5. Tap "Go Back," then tap "Go Back to Find Voters" to return to the Main Screen to continue checking in voters.

## Checking in Voters

1. Once you have located the voter's name, tap anywhere in that voter's row on the screen to open the "Voter Record" screen. The "Voter Details" tab will be open.

Figure - Voter's Row on the "Find Voter's" Screen on the Pollbook

Name	Address	County	DOB	Status	Issued	Party
Linc Abraham Quincy	Main St APT A Anytown 12345	Anne Arundel	03/01 /1802	Active	None	REP

1 voters found.

Find by Name | Find by Address | Find by ID

Last Name: LINC  
 First Name: ABR | Middle Init.:  
 Zip Code: | Birth MMDD: 03/01

Search Precinct/EV Count  
 Search State (add mi)

Clear ALL

Return to Main

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2. Ask "What is your address?"

Compare the voter's response with what is shown in "Voter Details." If the voter's response **is the same** as what is shown at the top of the screen, go to step #3.



***If the voter's address is different than what is shown in the electronic pollbook, see item #1 of the "Special Situations" section of this chapter.***



***If the voter's address is marked "Confidential," the voter's address will not appear in the electronic pollbook. Do not ask the voter to verify his or her address. Continue the check-in process.***

3. Check the information on the screen to confirm that you have the correct voter. When you are sure you have the correct voter, go to step #4 (if this is a primary election) or step #5 (if this is a general election). Tap the "Go Back" button if you have selected the wrong voter.

Figure - Check Voter's Information on the Pollbook

The screenshot shows the "Voter Record" interface. At the top, the name "Abraham Quincy" and address "Main St APTA Anytown 12345" are circled in red. Below this, a blue instruction box reads: "Confirm that this is the correct voter. Verify name, month & day of birth, and address. If the voter's information is 'Confidential', do NOT ask the voter to provide his or her address. If any voter information is incorrect, follow procedures in Chapter 8 of the Election Judges' Manual." The "DOB" field is also circled in red and contains "5/2/1842". The "Party" field is "Republican". A callout box labeled "REVIEW and CONFIRM" has arrows pointing to the "Party" and "DOB" fields. At the bottom, there are buttons for "Issue Standard Ballot", "Issue Provisional Ballot", and "Go Back". The status is "Active" and "Issued" is "None". The bottom status bar shows "BT:?? AC:Online", "Voted: DEM 0 REP 0 NOM 0 TOT 0", and the date/time "12/12/2013 10:30:28 AM".

4. If this is a primary election: Quietly ask "What is your party affiliation?" If the voter's response **is the same** as what is shown in the "Party" box, go to step #5.



Sometimes, the voter might claim a different party affiliation than is shown on the electronic pollbook, or the voter wants to vote another party's ballot, or the voter does not have a ballot for this election. If any of those are true, see item #2 of the "Special Situations" section of this chapter.

Figure - Checking the Voter's Party Affiliation on the Pollbook

**Voter Record** 260

Linc Abraham Quincy Main St APTA Anytown 12345

Voter Details Identification Voter History Precinct Details

Confirm that this is the correct voter. Check the voter's NAME, ADDRESS, and DOB. If the voter's information is "Confidential", Do NOT ask the voter to state his or her address. If any voter information is incorrect, give the voter a Voter Update Form.

Precinct 001-001-1 DOB 05/02/1842 Status Active

Registered name: Party **Republican** Issued None

Comments  
CONG=03; LEGIS=32; COUNCIL=001

Issue Standard Ballot Issue Provisional Ballot Go Back

BT:??? AC:Plugged In Voted: TOT 0 1/23/2018 10:30:56 AM

5. Review the "Status" box in "Voter Details." If the status shows "Active" or "Inactive", go to step #6.

Figure - "Active" Status on the Pollbook

**Voter Record** 260

Linc Abraham Quincy Main St APTA Anytown 12345

Voter Details Identification Voter History Precinct Details

Confirm that this is the correct voter. Check the voter's NAME, ADDRESS, and DOB. If the voter's information is "Confidential", Do NOT ask the voter to state his or her address. If any voter information is incorrect, give the voter a Voter Update Form.

Precinct 001-001-1 DOB 05/02/1842 Status **Active**

Registered name: Party Republican Issued None

Comments  
CONG=03; LEGIS=32; COUNCIL=001

Issue Standard Ballot Issue Provisional Ballot Go Back

BT:??? AC:Plugged In Voted: TOT 0 1/23/2018 10:30:56 AM



If the voter's status is "Pend1", "Pend2", "ABS Issued", or "Voted Early", see item #3 of the "Special Situations" section of this chapter.



If the voter's status is "Inactive" and the "ID Required" box is blank, see item #4 of the "Special Situations" section of this chapter.



If the voter's status is "Active" or "Inactive" and the "ID Required" box is "Show ID", see item #6 of the "Special Situations" section of this chapter.

- Review the "Issued" box in "Voter Details." If the status shows "None" or is blank, go to step #7.

Figure - "None" Issued Status on the Pollbook

Voter Record		260
Linc Abraham Quincy	Main St APT A Anytown 12345	
Voter Details	Identification	Voter History   Precinct Details
<p>Confirm that this is the correct voter. Check the voter's NAME, ADDRESS, and DOB. If the voter's information is "Confidential", Do NOT ask the voter to state his or her address.</p> <p>If any voter information is incorrect, give the voter a Voter Update Form.</p>		
Precinct	DOB	Status
001-001-1	05/02/1842	Active
Registered name:	VRN	Issued
	3	
	Party	None
	ID Required	
Comments		
CONG=03; LEGIS=32; COUNCIL=001		
Issue Standard Ballot	Issue Provisional Ballot	Go Back
BT:?? AC:Plugged In	Voted: TOT 0	1/23/2018 10:30:56 AM



If the voter's "Issued" box is "Reg Issued" or "PROV", see item #5 of the "Special Situations" section of this chapter.

- Review the "ID Required" box in "Voter Details". If the "ID Required" box is blank, tap the "Issue Standard Ballot" button and go to Step #8.

Figure - "ID Required" Box is Blank on the Pollbook

The screenshot shows the "Voter Record" interface for a voter named Abraham Quincy. The voter's status is "Active" and the "ID Required" field is blank. The "Issue Standard Ballot" button is circled in red. Other fields include Precinct (001-001-1), DOB (05/02/1842), VRN (3), and Party (Republican). The "Issue Standard Ballot" button is highlighted with a red circle, indicating the action to be taken when the "ID Required" field is blank.



*If the voter's "Status" is "Active" or "Inactive" and the "ID Required" box is "Show ID", see item #6 of the "Special Situations" section of this chapter.*

Figure - Status, ID Required, Issued and What to Do Chart

Status	ID Required	Issued	What to do
Active	Blank	None or Blank	Issue Standard Ballot
Active	Show ID	None or Blank	Go to #6 of "Special Situations"
Active	Blank or Show ID	Reg Issued or Prov	Go to #5 of "Special Situations"
Inactive	Blank	None or Blank	Go to #4 of "Special Situations"
Inactive	Show ID	None or Blank	Go to #6 of "Special Situations"
Inactive	Blank or Show ID	Reg Issued or Prov	Go to #5 of "Special Situations"
Pend1			Go to #3 of "Special Situations"

<u>Status</u>	<u>ID Required</u>	<u>Issued</u>	<u>What to do</u>
Pend2			Go to #3 of "Special Situations"
ABS Issued			Go to #3 of "Special Situations"
Voted Early			Go to #3 of "Special Situations"

8. Enter your name if prompted.



*The first time you try to issue a ballot, you will be prompted to enter your name. Type in your name or initials and tap "OK" to continue. You will not have to enter your name or initials to issue ballots again unless the judge's name on the electronic pollbook is reset. See the "Reset Judge's Name" section of this chapter for more information.*

Figure - Entering Judge's Name on the Pollbook

The screenshot shows the 'Voter Record' screen on a pollbook. At the top right, the number '260' is displayed. On the left, there is a 'Voter Data' section with a 'Confirm that voter's information is correct' button and a 'Precinct' field showing '001'. The main area contains a text input field with the prompt 'Please enter your name.' Below this is a keyboard interface. A red circle highlights the 'Judge's Name' input field, which contains the text 'TRACY D'. The keyboard includes numeric keys (1-0), QWERTY keys, and function keys like 'OK', 'Cancel', 'back space', and 'clear'. At the bottom, there is a status bar showing 'BT:?? AC:Online', voting statistics (Voted: DEM 0 REP 0 NON 0 TOT 0), and the date/time '11/5/2013 3:19:48 PM'.

9. A voter authority card will print.

10. Ask the voter to check the printed information and sign the voter authority card.

Figure - Voter Authority Card

VOTER AUTHORITY CARD  
Presidential General Election 2012

Linc. Abraham Quincy  
Main St APT A. Anytown 12345  
DOB: 5/2/1842  
ID#: 3 Party: Republican  
DIST/PREC: 001-001-1, CONG=03; LEGIS=32; COUNCIL=001  
EPB Number: 018797  
Ballot Style: 2  
Issued: 12/16/2013 09:45:03 Issued By: ABIGAIL G  
Reason: 0

**IMPORTANT**  
If your address or other information has changed, please request the Voter Update Form from an election judge.

Please sign in the space below.

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Voter Signature

Check-in Judge Initials: -----

Ballot Issuing Judge: ----- Voting Judge -----

DO NOT REMOVE THIS CARD FROM THE POLLING PLACE.  
\*\*\*\*\*

Ask voter to review information

Ask voter to sign here if information is correct.

Check-in judge initials here.



***If you checked in the wrong voter and have already printed a voter authority card, tell a chief judge right away.***

11. Initial the voter authority card.

12. The check-in judge must ask each voter:

*“Would you prefer to mark your ballot using the ballot marking device, or by hand using a pen?”*

- If the voter chooses to use the ballot marking device, give the voter their voter authority card and direct them to the ballot marking device area.
- If the voter chooses to mark the ballot by hand, give the voter their voter authority card and direct them to the ballot table.

This voter will now be marked as “Reg Issued” in the “Issued” column on the “Find Voters” screen.

Figure - "Reg Issued" Status on the Pollbook

Name	Address	County	DOB	Status	Issued	Party
Linc Abraham Quincy	Main St APT A Anytown 12345	Anne Arundel	05/02 /1842	Active	REG Issued	REP

1 voters found.

Find by Name | Find by Address | Find by ID

Last Name: LINC | First Name: | Middle Init: | Zip Code: | Birth MMDD: |

Search Precinct/EV Count | Search State (add mi)

Clear ALL | Return to Main

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*The "Voted:" counts on the status bar will increase by one for each voter who is issued a ballot. Counts shown are the number of voters, not ballots. A "re-issued" ballot will not increase the count. Party counts are based on the ballot issued party.*

## Issuing a Provisional Ballot

Sometimes the pollbook will not let you issue a regular ballot to a voter. Instead, the pollbook only lets you issue a provisional ballot. For example, voters with "pending" status or voters not in their registered precinct must vote a provisional ballot.

There are also sometimes when the pollbook will let you issue a regular ballot to a voter, but the voter should be issued a provisional ballot instead. One example is a voter that has "Active (or Inactive) – show ID." Another example is a voter whose identity is challenged by a challenger or watcher, if the voter cannot show acceptable identification. Voters during extended hours must also vote a provisional ballot. If a voter claims a different party affiliation than what is shown in the pollbook during a primary election, the voter must vote a provisional ballot.



*If a voter cannot be found in the pollbook, the voter must vote by provisional ballot.*

If the voter must be issued a provisional ballot, the steps are:

1. Check the voter's information on the "Voter Details" tab in the "Voter Record" screen.
2. Tap the "Issue Provisional Ballot" button.

Figure - "Issue Provisional Ballot" Button on the Pollbook

The screenshot shows the 'Voter Record' interface. At the top, the voter's name 'Adams, John Quincy' and address '10 Main St, Anytown 12345' are displayed. Below this, there are tabs for 'Voter Details', 'Identification', 'Voter History', and 'Precinct Details'. A red message box states: 'This voter is flagged as "Voted Early." If the voter wants to cast a ballot now, he or she must vote by provisional ballot. Enter "4" on the "Enter Provisional Reason" screen.' The voter's status is 'Voted Early'. The 'Issue Provisional Ballot' button is circled in red. The bottom status bar shows 'BT:??? AC:Online', 'Voted: DEM REP 0 NON 0 TOT 0', and the time '12/12/2013 12:13:03 PM'.

3. The "Select Ballot" screen will appear. Tap "Select Ballot Reason" to open a drop-down menu of reason codes for why the voter must vote a provisional ballot. Choose the correct code for that voter.

Figure - "Select Ballot Reason" Dropdown Menu on the Pollbook

The screenshot shows the 'Select Ballot' interface. A blue instruction box at the top says: 'Verify voter's Precinct. Select the appropriate reason code from the drop down. Then tap "Issue Provisional".' Below this, there are two columns: 'Verify Voter's PRECINCT' with '001-001-1' and 'Select PARTY' with options 'Non-Partisan', 'Democrat', and 'Republican'. The voter's name is 'Lincoln, Abraham Quincy' and the precinct is '001-001-1'. The ballot style is '2' and the ballot type is '=Panel Ball'. The 'Select Ballot Reason' dropdown menu is circled in red. At the bottom, there are buttons for 'Select Paper Ballot' and 'Cancel No Ballot Issued'. The bottom status bar shows 'BT:??? AC:Plugged In', 'Voted: TOT 3', and the time '1/14/2016 3:14:49 PM'.



**The voter's current information is highlighted in blue.**



**Carefully choose the correct provisional ballot reason code. It is very important to enter the correct reason code.**

4. The "Select Paper Ballot" button will become available after a provisional ballot reason code is selected.
5. Tap the "Select Paper Ballot" button.

**Figure - "Select Paper Ballot" Button on the Pollbook**

**Select Ballot** 310

Verify voter's Precinct. Select the appropriate reason code from the drop down. Then tap "Issue Provisional".

<b>Verify Voter's PRECINCT</b> 001-001-1	<b>Select PARTY</b> Non-Partisan Democrat Republican
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Voter Name  Precinct

Ballot Style  =Panel Ball

Select Ballot Reason

BT:??? AC:Plugged In Voted: TOT 3 1/14/2016 3:17:16 PM

6. The voter authority card will print. Circle "Provisional Ballot" and initial the voter authority card and have the voter review and sign it.
  - If the voter is unable to read the information on the voter authority card, read the information out loud to the voter and ask them to confirm that the information is accurate.
  - If the voter is unable to sign or otherwise mark the voter authority card with an "x", write in the space for the voter's signature: "Unable to sign." Then sign your name and write the date under the statement.
7. Place the provisional voter authority card in the front pocket of an orange privacy sleeve.

8. Mark the time the voter is leaving the check-in table on an orange Provisional Wait Time Card and place that in the front pocket of the orange privacy sleeve with the VAC.
9. Direct the voter to the provisional ballot table.
10. The provisional judge will request the appropriate ballot from a chief judge. The pollbook will return to the "Find Voters" screen.



***The reason code will print on the voter authority card. The provisional judge needs to write the same reason code on the voter's provisional ballot application.***

**Figure - Provisional Ballot and Reason Code Printed on the Voter Authority Card**

VOTER AUTHORITY CARD  
Presidential General Training 2016

\*\*\*\*\*  
PROVISIONAL BALLOT  
\*\*\*\*\*

Reason Code: 4

\*\*\*\*\*

SMITH, JOHN  
417 E Baltimore St. Baltimore 21202  
DOB: 10/14/1980  
ID#: 3806f23b-0ff9-4a8e-80ef-b83cf15e40e6  
Registered Party: Democrat  
Assigned Dist/Prec: 004-001.CONG=07: LEGIS=46: COUNCIL=011

EPB Number: 054955

Ballot Issued Dist/Prec: 001-001.CONG=07: LEGIS=448: COUNCIL=001

**DO NOT ISSUE REGULAR BALLOT**  
Provisional Ballot Style: 2

Issued: 08/31/2016 14:48:16 Issued By: JUDGE NAME  
Issuing Consolidation: 04EV01

Please sign in the space below.

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Voter Signature

Check-in Judge Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

Provisional Judge Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

DO NOT REMOVE THIS CARD FROM THE POLLING PLACE

11. The voter will now be marked as "PROV" in the "Issued" column on the "Find Voters" screen.

Figure - "PROV" Issued Status on the Pollbook

Name	Address	County	DOB	Status	Issued	Party
Adams John Quincy	10 Main St Anytown 12345	Anne Arundel	10/20 /1922	Voter Early	PROV	OTH

Find by Name | Find by Address | Find by ID

Last Name: ADAM | First Name: JOHN | Middle Init.: Q | Zip Code: | Birth MMDD: |

1 voters found.

Search Precinct/EV Count | Search State

Clear ALL | Return to Main

BT:?? AC:Online | Voted: DEM 0 REP 1 NON 1 TOT 2 | 10/18/2013 11:46:31 AM

## Special Situations

The pollbook has been set up so that a check-in judge can issue either a regular ballot or a provisional ballot. Sometimes the pollbook will allow only a provisional ballot to be issued to a voter. Most of the time, the instructions in the top section of the screen will tell you what to do.

### *Voter Moved*

If the voter's current address is different from the address shown in the pollbook, **ask the voter WHEN they moved to the current address.**

**Note: a voter can only change their address at an early voting center during early voting. On election day, a voter may update their address information for after the election, but the changed address will not apply until after the election is complete.**

- For election day, if the voter moved **within 21 days of election day**, give the voter a *Voter Update Form*. If the voter fills out the *Voter Update Form* and signs it, and if the voter has appeared at the correct precinct for the voter's old address, give the voter a regular ballot. If the voter refuses to fill out and sign the *Voter Update Form*, or if the voter has not appeared at the correct precinct for the voter's old address, then give the voter a provisional ballot. See the "Issuing a Provisional Ballot" section of this chapter.

- For election day, if the voter moved **more than 21 days before election day**, the voter must be issued a provisional ballot. The provisional ballot application will update the voter's information. If the voter is at the correct precinct for their new address, the entire provisional ballot may be counted. If the voter is at the correct precinct for their old address, only those races the voter is entitled to vote on will be counted. **No Voter Update Form is needed.**



***If the voter moved more than 21 days before election day, the voter must use a provisional ballot. The provisional ballot application will serve to update the voter's information and no Voter Update Form is needed.***

### **"21 Day" dates for the 2026 elections:**

**Primary Election – If the voter moved on or before June 2, 2026, the voter must vote a provisional ballot.**

**General Election – If the voter moved on or before October 13, 2026, the voter must vote a provisional ballot.**

### ***Voter Claims a Different Party Affiliation or Whose Party Does Not Have a Ballot (Primary Election Only)***

Some voters claim a party affiliation that is different from what is shown in the pollbook. Voters may want to vote a ballot that is not for the party shown in the pollbook. Some voters belong to a party that does not have a ballot for the primary election.

If a voter insists on voting a ballot for a party that is different from the party affiliation shown in the pollbook, they must vote a provisional ballot. If the voter's party does not have a ballot for the primary election, the voter must vote a provisional ballot. **Use provisional code 3 for both situations.**

### ***Voter's Status is "Pend1", "Pend2", "ABS Issued", or "Voted Early"***

**Pend 1: The voter may only be issued a provisional ballot.** The voter's driver's license number or the last four digits of his or her social security number could not be verified. **Use provisional code 7**

- The voter can show an acceptable ID now. If the voter does not have acceptable ID with them at the polling place, the voter can show acceptable

ID to the Montgomery County Board of Elections before the canvassing of provisional ballots. Canvassing of provisional ballots begins on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday after the election. If the voter does not show acceptable ID by the deadline, the voter's ballot will not be counted.

Figure - "Pend 1" Status on the Pollbook

The screenshot shows a web-based 'Voter Record' interface. At the top, the name 'Madison James' and address '7 Main St Anytown 12345' are displayed. Below this are tabs for 'Voter Details', 'Identification', 'Voter History', and 'Precinct Details'. A prominent red message states: 'This voter can only vote a Provisional Ballot. This voter must show a form of ID to the Provisional Ballot Judge. Use reason code 6'. The form fields include: Precinct (001-001-1), DOB (4/25/1940), Status (Pend1), Registered name (Madison, James), Party (Green), ID Require (Show ID), and Issued (None). A comments field contains 'CONG=03; LEGIS=32; COUNCIL=001'. At the bottom, there are two buttons: 'Issue Provisional Ballot' and 'Go Back'. The status 'Pend1' and the 'Issue Provisional Ballot' button are circled in red. The footer shows system information: 'BT:?? AC:Online', 'Voted: DEM 0 REL: MON 101 0', and '12/12/2013 12:11:41 PM'.

**Pend2:** The voter may only be issued a provisional ballot. The voter's driver's license number or the last four digits of his or her social security number was not provided by the voter during registration. **Use provisional code 7.**

- The provisional ballot will be counted if:
  - The voter provides a Maryland driver's license, a Learner's Permit, or the last four digits of the voter's social security number; and
  - The Montgomery County Board of Elections can confirm the voter's information.
- If the voter does not provide the required ID information, or if the information cannot be confirmed by the Montgomery County Board of Elections before the end of the canvassing period, then the voter will not be registered to vote and the ballot will not be counted.

Figure - "Pend 2" Status and "Need DL#-SSN#" on the Pollbook

**Voter Record** 260

Monroe James | 8 Main St Anytown 12345

Voter Details | Identification | Voter History | Precinct Details

This voter can only vote a Provisional Ballot. This voter must provide a Driver's License # or Social Security # on the Provisional Ballot Application. Use reason code 7

Precinct: 001-001-1 | DOB: 3/18/1901 | Status: **Pend2**

Registered name: Monroe, James | Party: Libertarian | ID Require: **Need DL#-SSN#** | Issued: None

Comments: CONG=03; LEGIS=32; COUNCIL=001

BT:??? AC:Online | Voted: DEM 0 REP 0 NON 0 TOT 0 | 12/12/2013 12:12:12 PM

**ABS Issued:** The voter may only be issued a provisional ballot. The voter has already been issued an absentee ballot. Use provisional code 4a "Voter did not request a mail-in ballot," 4b "Voter did not receive mail-in ballot as requested," 4c "Voter received a MIB but did not return it and chose to vote in person," or 4d "Voted a MiB but wants to change vote or is unaware if MiB was counted," depending on the voter's response.

Figure - "ABS Issued" Status on the Pollbook

**Voter Record** 260

Harrison William Henry | 9 Main St Anytown 12345

Voter Details | Identification | Voter History | Precinct Details

This voter has been issued an absentee ballot. If the voter wants to cast a ballot now, he or she must vote by provisional ballot. Enter "4" on the "Enter Provisional Reason" screen.

Precinct: 001-001-1 | DOB: 2/16/1819 | Status: **Active ABS Issued**

Registered name: Harrison, William Henry | Party: Unaffiliated | ID Require: | Issued: None

Comments: CONG=03; LEGIS=32; COUNCIL=001

BT:??? AC:Online | Voted: DEM 0 REP 0 NON 0 TOT 0 | 12/12/2013 12:12:41 PM

**Voted Early:** The voter may only be issued a provisional ballot. The voter has already voted during early voting. Use provisional code 5.

Figure - "Voted Early" Status on the Pollbook

**Voter Record** 260

Adams  
John Quincy

10 Main St  
Anytown 12345

Voter Details | Identification | Voter History | Precinct Details

This voter is flagged as "Voted Early." If the voter wants to cast a ballot now, he or she must vote by provisional ballot.  
Enter "4" on the "Enter Provisional Reason" screen.

Precinct 001-001-1      DOB 3/16/1800      Status **Voted Early**

Registered name: Adams, John Quincy      Party Other Parties      Issued None

ID Require

Comments  
CONG=03; LEGIS=32; COUNCIL=001

Issue Provisional Ballot      Go Back

BT:??? AC:Online      Voted: DEM 0 REP 0 NON 0 TOT 0      12/12/2013 12:13:03 PM

*Inactive Status Voters ("ID Required" box is blank)*

Figure - "Inactive" Status and "ID Required" Field is Blank on the Pollbook

**Voter Record** 260

Jefferson  
Thomas

5 Main St  
Anytown 12345

Voter Details | Identification | Voter History | Precinct Details

This voter is "Inactive."  
Issue a standard ballot if:  
The voter's address is correct, or

Precinct 001-001-1      DOB 08/20/1830      Status Inactive

=Voter Ball 2

Registered name:      Party Democrat      Issued None

**ID Required**

Comments  
CONG=03; LEGIS=32; COUNCIL=001

Issue Standard Ballot      Issue Provisional Ballot      Go Back

BT:??? AC:Plugged In      Voted: TOT 2      11/19/2015 4:14:10 PM

Issue a regular ballot, not a provisional ballot, to Inactive Status voters when:

- The voter did not move and signs the Affirmation of Residency for Inactive Voter. The affirmation is automatically printed on the voter authority card for "Inactive" status voters when a regular ballot is issued.

- The voter appears on election day and says that they have moved. The voter moved within 21 days of election day. If the voter appeared to vote at the correct precinct for the voter’s new address, the voter must complete a *Voter Update Form* and must sign the *Affirmation of Residency for Inactive Voter* printed on the voter authority card.

**Figure - Affirmation of Residency for Inactive Voter on the Voter Authority Card**

Affirmation of Residency for Inactive Voters

VOTER AUTHORITY CARD  
2017 City of Annapolis Primary Election

Jefferson, Thomas  
5 Main St. Anytown 12345  
DOB: 8/20/1830  
ID#: 9  
Party: **DEM**  
WARD: 001-001-1. CONG=03; LEGIS=32; COUNCIL=001  
EPB Number: 007189

Ballot Style:

Issued: 02/18/2017 16:02:27 Issued By: JOHN S  
Issuing Consolidation: 02001001  
Reason: 0

**\*\*AFFIRMATION OF RESIDENCY FOR INACTIVE VOTER\*\***  
I hereby affirm, under penalty of perjury, that the address printed above or the address I provided on the Voter Update Form is my current residence address. Please sign in the space below.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Voter Signature

Check-in Judge Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

Ballot Issuing Judge: \_\_\_\_\_ Voting Judge: \_\_\_\_\_

DO NOT REMOVE THIS CARD FROM THE POLLING PLACE.  
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***If the voter refuses to sign the affirmation of residency, tell a chief judge right away.***

Give Inactive Status voters a provisional ballot when:

- The voter moved more than 21 days prior to election day. **Use provisional code 2.**



***The Affirmation of Residency will not print on the voter authority card for provisional voters.***

***“Issued” Box is “Reg Issued” or “PROV”***

The pollbook shows that the voter has been previously issued a ballot. Inform the voter that they are marked as having already been issued a ballot.

Reg Issued:

- If it can be confirmed that the voter's ballot has not been cast, a regular ballot, not a provisional ballot, may be reissued by a chief judge. See *Chapter 5 – Chief Judges* for instructions on resetting a voter's ballot issued status. **Only chief judges can reissue a ballot.**
- If the ballot has been cast, or it is uncertain if the ballot has been cast, the voter may only be issued a provisional ballot. **Use provisional code 5.**

PROV: Provisional ballot issued:

- A voter who is checking-in and has status "Prov", and if the voter insists that he or she has not voted or attempted to vote, **only a chief judge may issue the provisional ballot** (a supervisor password is required).



***If the voter insists that he or she has not voted or tried to vote, tell a chief judge right away. The chief judge will contact the Montgomery County Board of Elections, for additional instructions.***



***If voters make a mistake while voting their ballot, they do not need to be checked in on the electronic pollbook again to receive a replacement ballot. This is true whether voters vote a regular ballot or a provisional ballot. See instructions for spoiled ballots.***

### ***ID Required – Show ID (Active or Inactive)***

If an "Active" or "Inactive" voter is listed as "Show ID," ask the voter for ID.

- If the voter presents an acceptable ID (see the chart below), then issue the voter a regular ballot. A *Voter Update Form* must be completed to record this information.
- If the voter does not present an acceptable ID, issue the voter a provisional ballot. **Use provisional code 6.**

Figure - "Inactive - ID required" Status on the Pollbook

**Voter Record** 260

Adams John      6 Main St  
Anytown 12345

Voter Details | Identification | Voter History | Precinct Details

This voter is "Inactive – ID Required."  
If the voter presents acceptable ID, a Voter Update Form must be completed to record the ID information.  
Issue a TS ballot if:

Precinct: 001-001-1      DOB: 06/15/1901      Status: **Inactive-IDrequired**

Registered name: \_\_\_\_\_ Party: Republican      REG Issued: None

ID Required      Show ID

Comments  
CONG=03; LEGIS=32; COUNCIL=001

Issue Standard Ballot (ID was Provided)      == No ID == Issue Provisional      Go Back

BT:??? AC:Plugged In      Voted: TOT 1      11/20/2015 11:33:02 AM

## Standards for Acceptable Forms of ID

<p>A "current" <b>photo ID</b> is an ID that has not expired</p> <p>A "current" <b>non-photo ID</b> is dated within 3 months of election day</p>	<p>Does the voter's <b>name</b> on the ID have to match the pollbook or the new name on the <i>Voter Update Form</i>?</p>	<p>Does the voter's <b>address</b> on the ID have to match the pollbook or the new address on the <i>Voter Update Form</i>?</p>
A current Maryland driver's license or Learner's Permit	Yes	No
A current MVA-issued photo ID card	Yes	No
A current student photo ID card	Yes	No
A current employee photo ID card	Yes	No
A current military photo ID card	Yes	No
A current passport	Yes	No
Other current State or federal-issued photo ID card	Yes	No

<p>A “current” <b>photo ID</b> is an ID that has not expired</p> <p>A “current” <b>non-photo ID</b> is dated within 3 months of election day</p>	<p>Does the voter’s <b>name</b> on the ID have to match the pollbook or the new name on the <i>Voter Update Form</i>?</p>	<p>Does the voter’s <b>address</b> on the ID have to match the pollbook or the new address on the <i>Voter Update Form</i>?</p>
A current utility bill [gas, electricity, water, waste, cable, telephone (landline or cell phone)]	Yes	Yes
A current bank statement	Yes	Yes
A current government check	Yes	Yes
A current paycheck	Yes	Yes
Other current government document	Yes	Yes

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## Standards for Unacceptable Forms of ID

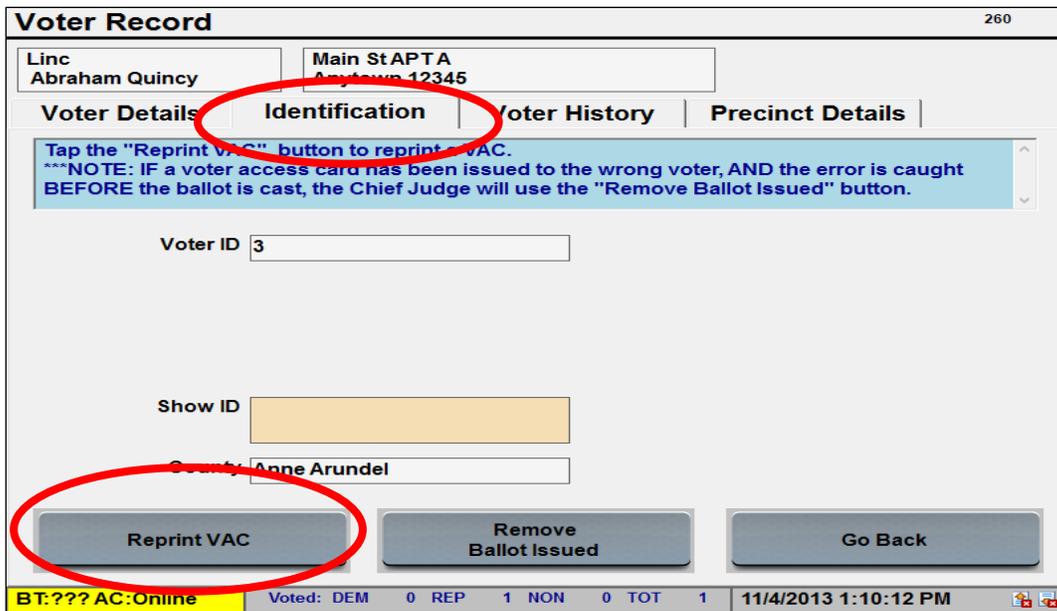
An <b>out-of-state</b> driver’s license	<b>Not Acceptable</b>
An <b>expired</b> photo ID card	<b>Not Acceptable</b>
Any non-photo ID that is <b>more</b> than 3 months old	<b>Not Acceptable</b>
A <b>membership</b> card (Sam’s Club, gym,...)	<b>Not Acceptable</b>
A Voter Notification Card	<b>Not Acceptable</b>
A Social Security Card	<b>Not Acceptable</b>
Any non-photo ID with an address that does <b>NOT</b> match the pollbook or the new address on the <i>Voter Update Form</i>	<b>Not Acceptable</b>

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## Reprinting a Voter Authority Card

1. If another voter authority card needs to be reprinted, use the pollbook to reprint a voter authority card for any voter who has been issued a ballot.
  - From the Voter Record screen, tap on the “Identification” tab at the top.
  - Tap on the “Reprint VAC” button in the lower left corner.

Figure – "Identification" Tab and "Reprint VAC" Button on the Pollbook



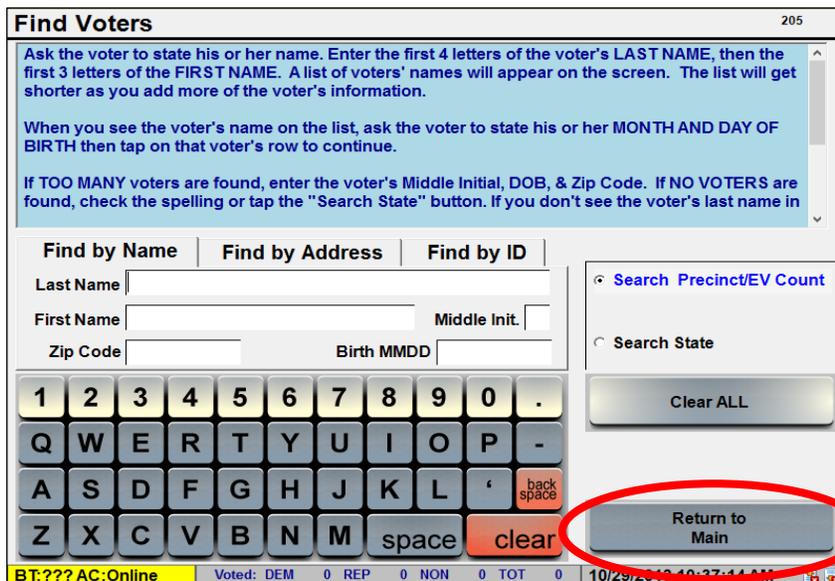
## Resetting the Election Judge's Name

The **first time** you try to issue a ballot, you will be prompted to enter your name. Type in your name (or initials) and tap "OK" to continue. You will not have to enter your name or initials to issue ballots again unless the judge's name on the pollbook has been reset. The judge's name should be reset by a chief judge any time that a new check-in judge begins to use that pollbook.

To reset the judge's name:

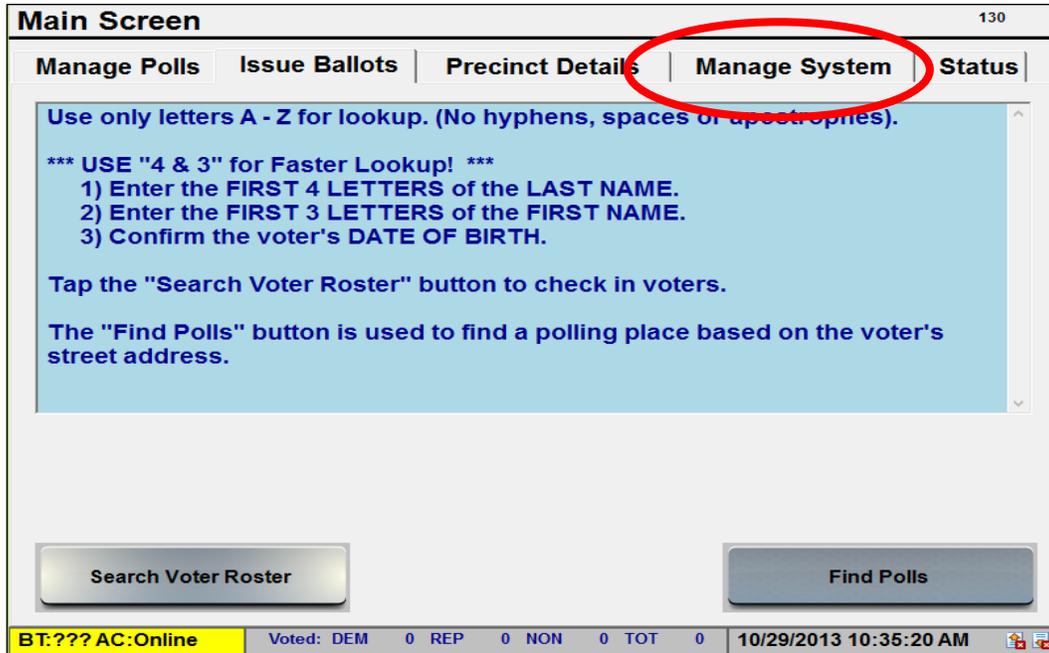
1. Tap "Return to Main" from the "Find Voters Screen."

Figure - "Return to Main" Button on the Pollbook



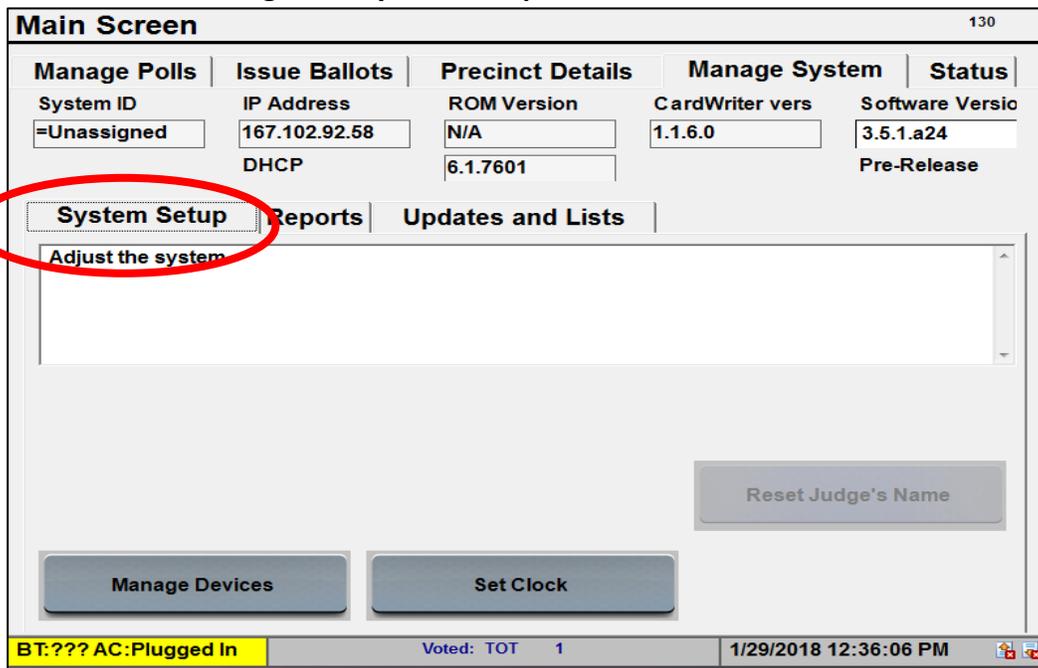
2. Tap the "Manage System" tab.

Figure - "Manage System" Tab on the Pollbook



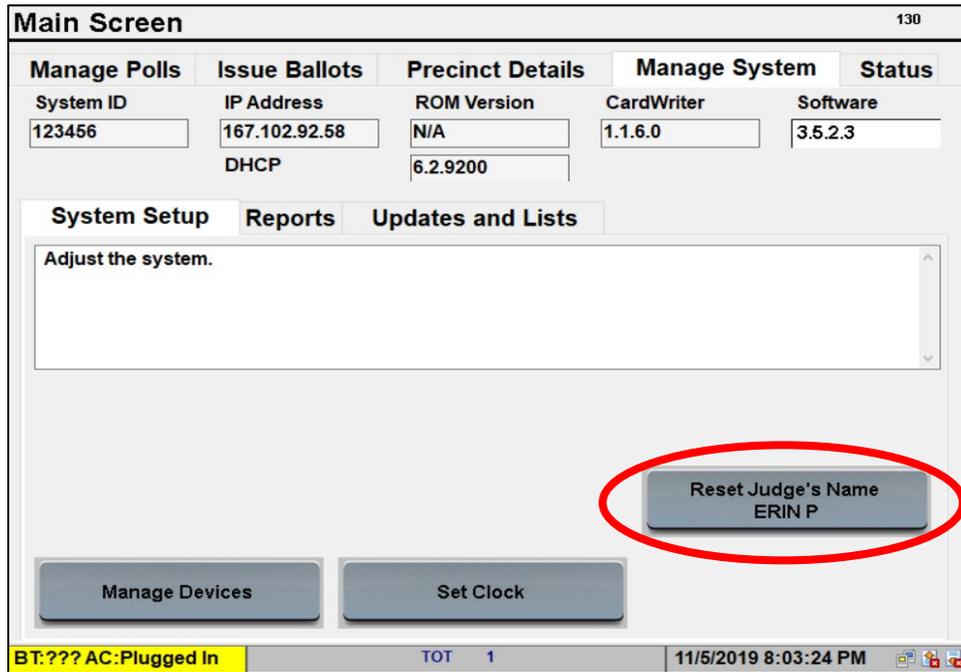
3. Tap the "System Setup" tab.

Figure - "System Setup" Tab on the Pollbook



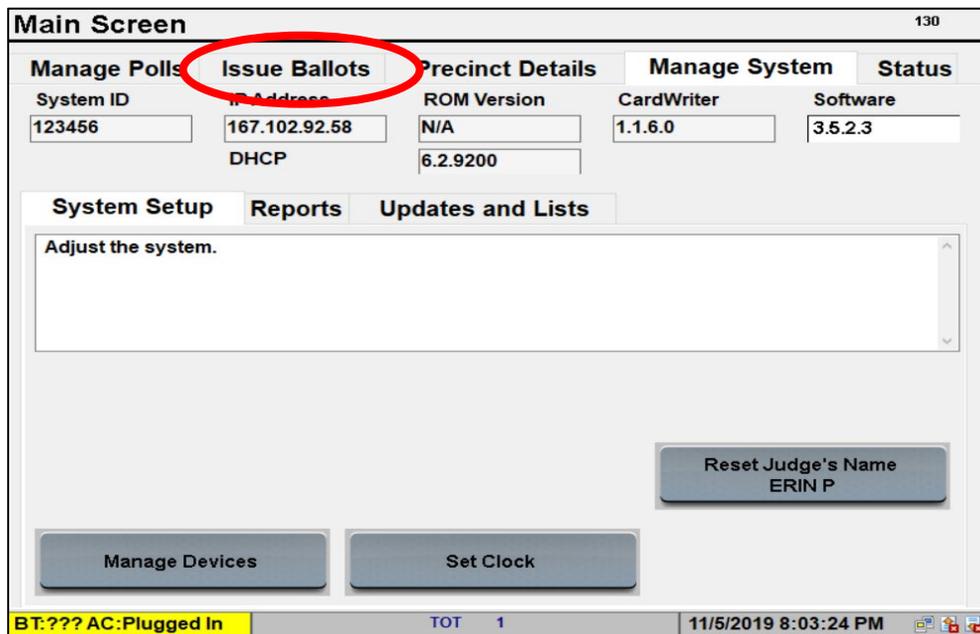
4. Tap the "Reset Judge's Name" button.

Figure - "Reset Judge's Name" Button on the Pollbook



5. The election judge's name in the pollbook will be reset. Tap "Issue Ballots" tab to continue to issue ballots. The election judge will be prompted to enter their name or initials before the next ballot can be issued.

Figure - "Reset Judge's Name" Button on the Pollbook



## Ending the Election

At the end of the day, give all the required numbers about voter counts to the chief judges. When the chief judge tells you to shut down the pollbooks, follow these steps:

1. Return to the "Main Screen" and tap the "Manage Polls" tab. Verify that totals match at the bottom of each pollbook. If they do not, alert a chief judge who may direct you to turn off each pollbook and turn them back on. This will allow the pollbooks to synchronize before closing.
2. Tap on the "Daily Closing Step #1 Close the Polls" button at the bottom center of the screen. A pop-up screen will appear.

Figure - "Manage Polls" Tab and "Daily Closing Step #1 Close the Polls" Button on the Pollbook

**Main Screen** 130

**Manage Polls** | Issue Ballots | Precinct Details | Manage System | Status

""Opening"" When authorized by Chief Judges, tap "Open the Polls." Tap "Continue" on the pop-up screen that shows "Print Ballot Counts" and "Print Voter Counts." Verify that all totals are 0. Tap the "Issue Ballots" tab then "Search Voter Roster" to begin checking-in voters.  
""Closing"" When authorized by Chief Judges, tap "Step #1-Close the Polls." Print the

**Statistics**

Ballots | Voters | SDR Counts |

Standard BACs

Provisional Voter BACs

Standard Ballots

Provisional Ballots

Consolidation Number

Poll Status **OPENED**

Poll Opening Time

Poll Closing Time

# of Registered Voters

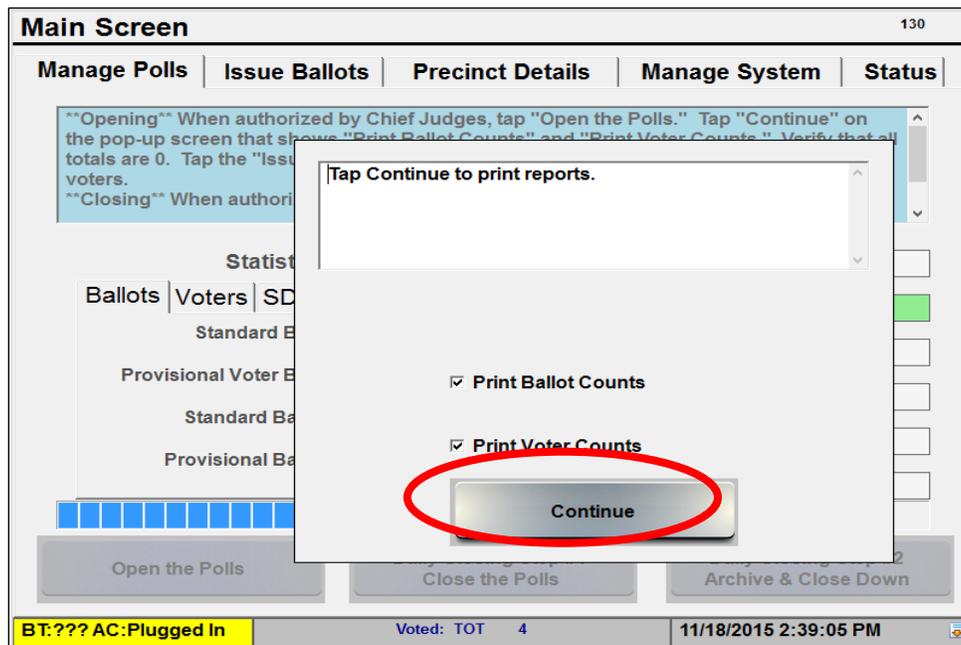
Bulk Update Date

Open the Polls **Daily Closing Step #1 Close the Polls** Daily Closing Step #2 Archive & Close Down

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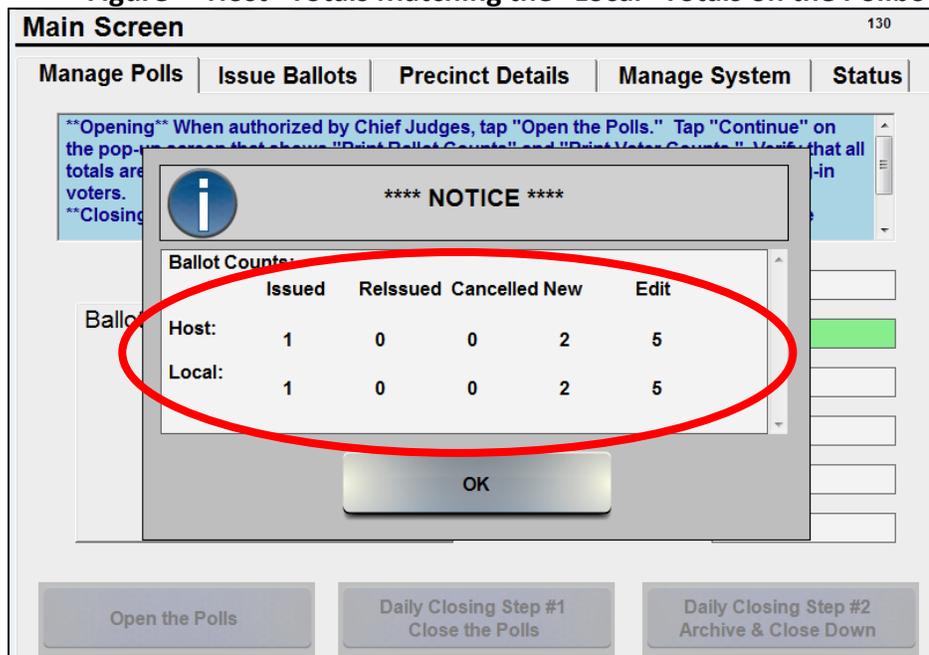
3. Tap the "Continue" button to print the Ballots Counts and Voter Counts reports.

Figure - "Continue" Button to Print Reports on the Pollbook



4. **Early Voting Only:** Check that the "Host:" totals match the "Local:" totals on the pollbook. If the totals do not match, tell the chief judge right away.

Figure - "Host" Totals Matching the "Local" Totals on the Pollbook

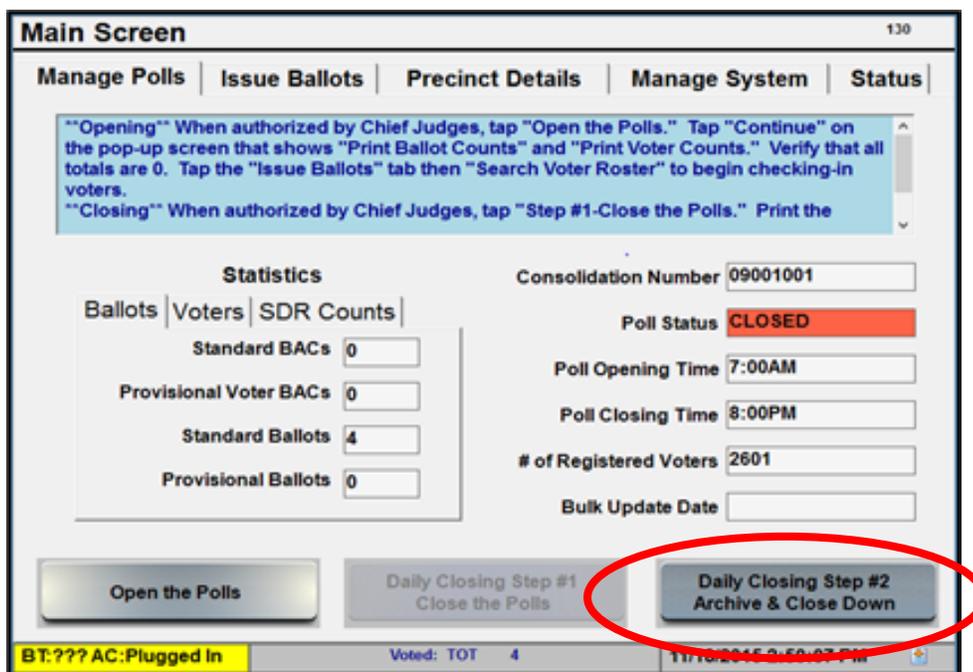


5. **Early Voting Only:** If the totals match, tap the "OK" button.



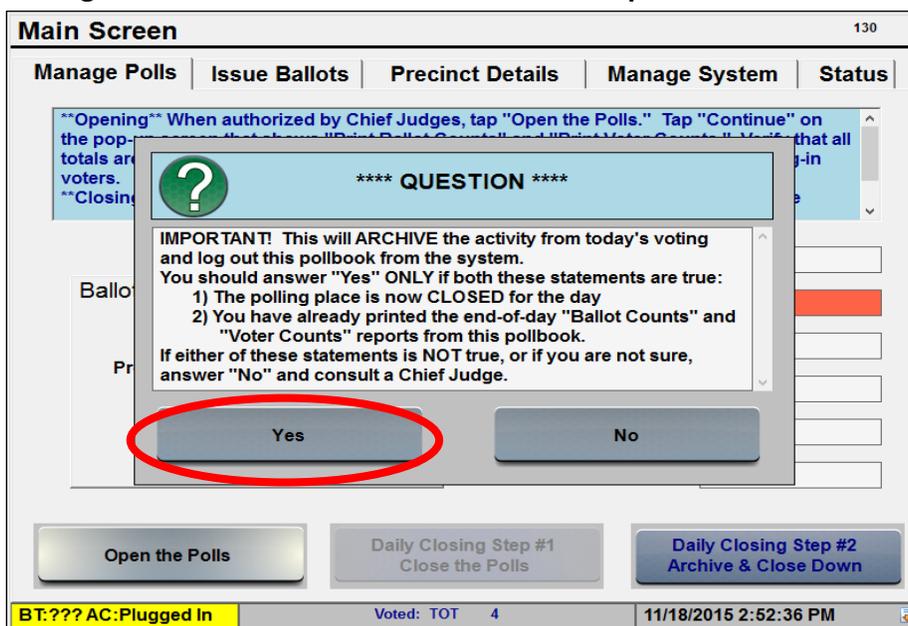
7. Tap the "Daily Closing Step #2 Archive & Close Down" button.

Figure - "Daily Closing Step #2 Archive & Close Down" Button on the Pollbook



8. If the polling place is closed for the day, **and** if the end of day Ballot Counts and Voter Counts reports have been printed, tap the "Yes" button at the "Question" prompt.

Figure - "Yes" Button at the Question Prompt on the Pollbook



9. The pollbook will return to the "Launch" screen. Turn the power switch to OFF.

Figure - "Launch" Screen on the Pollbook

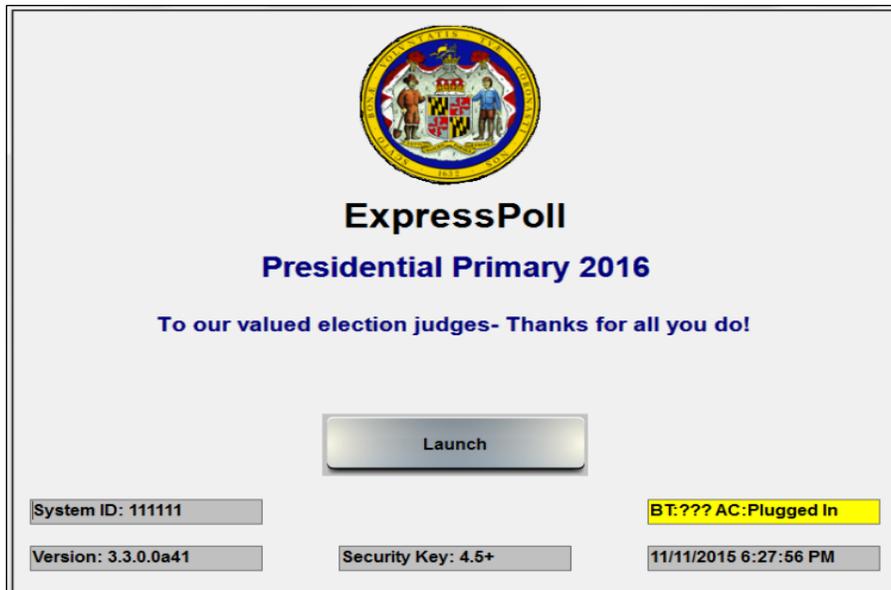


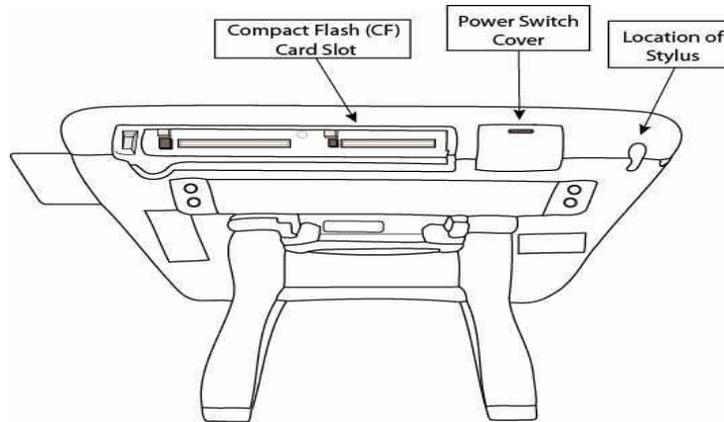
Figure - Power Switch on the Top of the Pollbook



10. If your instructions tell you to remove the compact flash (CF) card from each pollbook:

- Break the inner seal and place it in the location specified by the Montgomery County Board of Elections.
- Remove the compact flash card and place it in the location specified by the Montgomery County Board of Elections.
- Replace the lid on the top of the pollbook.

Figure - Compact Flash (CF) Card Slot on the Top of the Pollbook



11. Sign the *Consolidated Ballot Counts Report* and the *Consolidated Voter Counts Report*.

Figure - Consolidated Ballot Counts Report from the Pollbook

<b>Consolidated Ballot Counts Report</b>				
Poll Description: 05-1 Mt Vernon Fire Dept				
Report Date: 04/12/2010 14:49:00				
*****				
	TOT	DEM	REP	NON
Issued	303	149	110	44
Reiss	- 3	- 1	- 2	- 0
Canc	- 10	- 3	- 6	- 1
Net	290	145	102	43
Prov Issued	19	8	3	8
Prov Reiss	- 1	- 0	- 0	- 1
Prov Canc	- 1	- 1	- 0	- 0
Net Prov	17	7	3	7
Net Ballots	307	152	105	50
*****				
DEM Judge _____				
REP Judge _____				



**Reissued and cancelled ballots are subtracted from “Issued” ballots to get the total regular and provisional ballots. This total is called “Net Ballots.”**



**The total (“TOT”) of the Consolidated Voter Counts Report should equal “Net Ballots” on the Consolidated Ballot Counts Report.**

Figure - Consolidated Voter Counts Report from the Pollbook

<b>Consolidated Voter Counts Report</b>			
Consolidation: # 20005001    EPB Number: 999			
Poll Description: 05-1 Mt Vernon Fire Dept			
Report Date and Time: 04/12/2010 16:58:56			
*****			
Party	Total	Reg.	Prov
DEM	152	145	7
REP	105	102	3
NON	50	43	7
TOT	307	290	17
*****			
_____			
DEM Judge			
_____			
REP Judge			

12. Attach the *Consolidated Voter Counts Report* and the *Consolidated Ballot Counts Report* to the *pollbook Integrity Report*.
13. Give the *Pollbook Integrity Report* (with the attached reports) to the chief judges.

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## Packing the Pollbooks and Printers

1. Store the stylus in its slot at the top of each pollbook.
2. Disconnect all cables and cords.
3. Check-in judges must make sure that the inner seal on the top lid of each pollbook has not been broken. Make sure its number matches the number from the beginning of the day on the *Pollbook Integrity Report*.
4. Pack the pollbooks in their cases.
5. The chief judges must locate new seals (located in the *Red Memory Stick Bag*); Give the new seals to the check-in judge to seal each case. Record the new outer seal numbers in column 7 on the *Pollbook Integrity Report*. Have both chief judges sign the report.

Figure – New Outer Seal and the Pollbook Integrity Report




**Maryland State Board of Elections**  
 Pollbook Integrity Report - 2026 Gubernatorial Primary Election

County: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: June 23, 2026

District/Precinct: \_\_\_\_\_

Judges must

1. Opening: Print and sign the opening *Ballot Counts Report* and *Voter Counts Report* from each pollbook and attach them to this form before the polls open.
2. Complete the "Opening" section.
3. During: Verify and record information if you have to remove the inner seal during the day.
4. Closing: Print and sign the *Ballot Counts Report* and *Voter Counts Report* from each pollbook and attach them to this form.
5. Complete the "Closing" section.
6. **Have Chief Judges sign the form after the polls close.**

Pollbook	OPENING				DURING		CLOSING
	1 Outer Seal # (on outside of storage case)	2 State Asset Tag # (on back of pollbook)	3 Inner Seal (on top lid of pollbook)	4 Verify inner seal was intact (initial)	5 If inner seal was removed during the day, please record reason here. If reason is needed use back of message	6 New Inner Seal #	7 New Outer Seal # (applied to storage case at closing)
#1	Verify <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Verify <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Verify <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	REP <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DEM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Record	Record	Record
#2							
#3							
#4							
#5							
#6							

To the best of our knowledge the information on this report is true and correct.

**The Electronic Pollbook CF Cards were removed at the close of the polls and given to the Chief Judges.**

Democratic Chief Judge \_\_\_\_\_ Republican Chief Judge \_\_\_\_\_

Revised 8.5.2025

6. Pack all printers, cords, and cables. The chief judges will pack the Cradlepoint router.