

2022 ELECTION NEVADA LAW ENFORCEMENT QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE



This pocket reference guide contains key penal provisions found within the Nevada Revised Statutes, § 293.274 through § 293.790.

- ▶ Campaigning inside or within 100 feet of the entrance of a polling location is a gross misdemeanor.
- ▶ Interference with an election is a felony.
- ▶ Bribery in exchange for a ballot cast is a felony.

VOTING HOURS

Election Day

Tuesday, November 8
7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Early Voting

Saturday, October 22, through
Friday, November 4

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Bribery of Elector

Nevada Revised Statutes § 293.700

A person who bribes, offers to bribe, or uses any other corrupt means, directly or indirectly, to influence or deter any elector in giving his or her vote is guilty of a category D felony punishable as provided under Nevada Revised Statutes § 193.190.

Intimidation of Voters

Nevada Revised Statutes § 293.710

It is a category E felony, punishable as provided under Nevada Revised Statutes § 193.130, for any person, in connection with any election, petition or registration of voters, whether acting himself or herself or through another person in his or her behalf, to: (a) use or threaten to use any force, intimidation, coercion, violence, restraint or undue influence; (b) inflict or threaten to inflict any physical or mental injury, damage, harm or loss upon the person or property of another; (c) expose or publish or threaten to expose or publish any fact concerning another in order to induce or compel such other to vote or refrain from voting for any candidate or any question; (d) impede or prevent, by abduction, duress or fraudulent contrivance, the free exercise of the franchise by any voter, or thereby to compel, induce or prevail upon any elector to give or refrain from giving his or her vote; or (e) discharge or change the place of employment of any employee with the intent to impede or prevent the free exercise of the franchise by such employee.

Unlawful Interference with Election

Nevada Revised Statutes § 293.730(1)

Except for an election board officer in the course of their official duties, a person is guilty if a category E felony, punishable as provided under Nevada Revised Statutes § 193.130, if he or she: (a) remains in or outside of any polling place so as to interfere with the conduct of the election; (b) accepts from any voter a ballot prepared by or on behalf of the voter without his or her authorization; (c) removes a ballot from any polling place before the closing of the polls; (d) applies for or receives a ballot at any election precinct or district other than one at which the person is entitled to vote; (e) shows his or her ballot to another person, after voting, so as to reveal any of his or her votes; (f) inside a polling place, asks another person for his or her name, address or political affiliation or for whom he or she intends to vote; (g) sends, transmits, distributes or delivers a ballot to a voter unless authorized; or (h) alters, changes, defaces, damages or destroys a mail ballot or military-overseas ballot prepared by or on behalf of the voter with his or her authorization.

Unlawful Interference with Election - Voters

Nevada Revised Statutes § 293.730(2)

A voter is guilty of a category E felony if he or she: (a) accepts a ballot from another person, other than an election board officer in the course of their official duties or a person who sends, transmits, distributes or delivers a mail ballot or military-overseas ballot to the voter when permitted pursuant to this title; (b) delivers to an election board officer in the course of their official duties any ballot other than the one received; or (c) places any mark upon his or her ballot by which it may be identified as the one that he or she voted.

Unlawful Interference with Election - Ballot Drop Box

Nevada Revised Statutes § 293.730(3)

A person other than a county or city clerk who sets up a ballot drop box that purports to be an official ballot drop box for mail ballots is guilty of a category E felony.

Removal or Destruction of Election Supplies or Equipment

Nevada Revised Statutes § 293.750

Any person who, during an election, removes or destroys any of the supplies or equipment placed in the booths or compartments or removes or defaces the instruction posted is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

Tampering or Interfering with Certain Election Equipment or Computer Programs Used to Count Ballots

Nevada Revised Statutes § 293.755(1)

A person who tampers or interferes with, or attempts to tamper or interfere with, a mechanical voting system, device or any computer program used to count ballots with the intent to prevent the proper operation of that device, system or program is guilty of a category D felony punishable as provided under Nevada Revised Statutes § 193.130. The county or city clerk shall report any alleged violation of this section to the district attorney who shall cause appropriate proceedings to be instituted and prosecuted in a court of competent jurisdiction without delay.

Soliciting Votes and Electioneering Near or Inside Polling Place

Nevada Revised Statutes § 293.740

It is a gross misdemeanor for any person, either inside a polling place or within 100 feet from the entrance to a polling place, to (a) solicit a vote or speak to a voter on the subject of marking the voter's ballot; or (b) do any electioneering on election day. "Electioneering" means campaigning for or against a candidate, ballot question or political party by: (a) posting signs relating to the support of or opposition to a candidate, ballot question or political party; (b) distributing literature relating to the support of or opposition to a candidate, ballot question or political party; (c) using loudspeakers to broadcast information relating to the support of or opposition to a candidate, ballot question or political party; (d) buying, selling, wearing or displaying any badge, button or other insignia which is designed or tends to aid or promote the success or defeat of any political party or a candidate or ballot question to be voted upon at that election; or (e) soliciting signatures to any kind of petition.

The county clerk or registrar of voters shall ensure that, at the outer limits of the area within which electioneering is prohibited, notices are continuously posted on which are printed in large letters "Distance Marker: No electioneering between this point and the entrance to the polling place."

This prohibition does not apply to a person's conduct in a private residence or on commercial or residential property within 100 feet from the entrance to a polling place, nor is it intended to prohibit a person from voting solely because he or she is wearing a prohibited political insignia and is reasonably unable to remove or cover it. In that case, the election board officer shall take necessary action to allow the voter to vote as quickly as possible and assist them in exiting the polling place as soon as is possible.

Tampering or Interfering with Certain Election Equipment or Computer Programs Used to Count Ballots with Intent to Influence the Outcome of an Election Nevada Revised Statutes § 293.755(2)

A person who tampers or interferes with, or attempts to tamper or interfere with, a mechanical voting system, device or any computer program used to count ballots with the intent to influence the outcome of an election is guilty of a category B felony and shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison for a minimum term of not less than 2 years and a maximum term of not more than 20 years. The county or city clerk shall report any alleged violation of this section to the district attorney who shall cause appropriate proceedings to be instituted and prosecuted in a court of competent jurisdiction without delay.

Alteration, Defacement or Removal of Posted Results of Votes Nevada Revised Statutes § 293.760

Any person who, prior to the expiration of 48 hours following the closing of the polls, alters, defaces, removes or destroys the copy of the results of votes cast posted outside a polling place is guilty of a gross misdemeanor. Notice of such penalty shall be printed on the copy posted.

Voting by Person Who Knows He or She is not a Qualified Elector Nevada Revised Statutes § 293.775

A person who is not a qualified elector and who votes or attempts to vote knowing that he or she is not a qualified elector is guilty of a category D felony punishable as provided under Nevada Revised Statutes § 193.190.

Voting Use Name of Another Person

Nevada Revised Statutes § 293.775

A person who votes or attempts to vote using the name of another person is guilty of a category D felony punishable as provided under Nevada Revised Statutes § 193.190.

Voting More than Once at Same Election

Nevada Revised Statutes § 293.780

A person who is entitled to vote who votes or attempts to vote more than once at the same election is guilty of a category D felony punishable as provided under Nevada Revised Statutes § 193.190. Notice of such prohibition must be given by the county or city clerk as follows: (a) stated on all sample ballots distributed by mail or electronic means; (b) posted in boldface type at each polling place; and (c) posted in boldface type at the office of the county or city clerk.

Offer to Vote by Person Whose Vote Has Been Rejected

Nevada Revised Statutes § 293.790

If any person whose vote has been rejected offers to vote at the same election, at any polling place other than one in which the person is entitled to vote, such person is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

Photographing or Recording

Nevada Revised Statutes § 293.274

Voting by Members of General Public Prohibited

A member of the general public shall not photograph or record the conduct of voting at a polling place on audiotape or any other means of sound or video reproduction. For these purposes, a member of the general public does not include any person who: (a) gathers information for communication to the public; (b) is employed, engaged by or has contracted with a newspaper, periodical, press association, or radio or television station; and (c) is acting solely within his or her professional capacity.



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