

How
can
I help?

It's easy !

1. Sign up to observe the post-election audit
2. Attend a short training (by phone outside the metro area)
3. Observe the audit as part of a team

We also encourage you to serve as an election judge.

Citizens for Election Integrity Minnesota is a nonpartisan, nonprofit organization that advocates for verifiable, transparent, and accurate elections. **The League of Women Voters Minnesota** is a non-partisan political organization that encourages the informed and active participation in government, and influences public policy through education and advocacy.

The observation project is managed by Citizens for Election Integrity Minnesota. The League of Women Voters is a co-sponsor.

Citizens for Election Integrity Minnesota audit publications based on nonpartisan volunteer observations:

- Eyes on the Vote Count: Non-Partisan Observer Reports of the 2008 Post-Election Audit and Recount
- Report and Analysis of the 2006 Post-Election Audit of Minnesota's Voting Systems

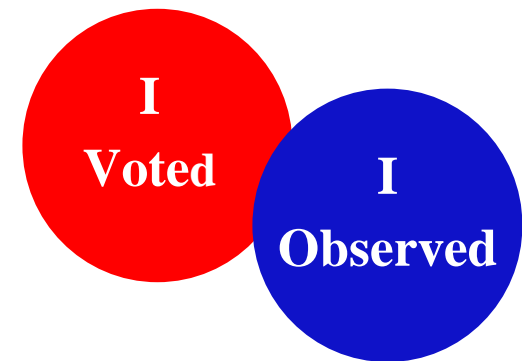
The audit reports and other resources are available at www.ceimn.org.

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Reserve your
Front Row Seat
at
Minnesota's
Election

Audit!



What is the post-election audit?

In 2006, a new audit law (MS204C.21) was passed by the state legislature with the goal of assessing the accuracy of Minnesota's optical scan voting machines.

The number of precincts that are randomly selected to be audited depends on the number of registered voters in each county. In smaller counties 2-4 precincts are selected. In counties with 100,000 or more registered voters, 4 precincts or 3% of precincts are selected, whichever is greater.

Ballots cast for President, Governor, U.S. Senate, and U.S. House of Representatives from the selected precincts will be manually counted. These hand counted totals will be compared to the machine tally from Election Day.

What if the audit differs from Election Day results?

If the audit reveals a difference greater than one-half of one percent (0.5%) between the hand counted audit in any given precinct, and the machine total from Election Day, this will require further precincts to be audited. The results of the manual count will become the official tally for the precincts audited.

What does it mean to observe an election audit?

As a volunteer observer, you will be part of a non-partisan team that will attend your county's audit. Your team will observe election officials hand count the ballots.

As a volunteer, you will observe, document, and report what takes place. You will not be expected to intervene or be allowed to handle the ballots.

Most audits last between two and five hours and take place in the County Seat. We will provide training and materials to assure consistency in observations. Election judges are welcome to volunteer—it is not a conflict of interest to do so.

When are election audits?

Most audits occur within a week after the general election.

Why observe election audits?

Having independent citizen observers helps ensure that the audit process is open and transparent. Public involvement will improve voter confidence in the election results.

I want to help!

There are four ways to sign up:

1. **Email** us at info@ceimn.org;
2. Visit our **website** www.ceimn.org;
3. **Call** us at 612-724-1736;

or

4. Complete this form and **mail** it to:

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Minneapolis, MN 55406

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State and zip: _____

County: _____

Work phone: _____

Home phone: _____

Email: _____

- I'm able to observe in a neighboring county

- Please accept my donation.

Amount: _____

(note: while we are a nonprofit, donations to CEIMN are not tax deductible)

“The right of voting for representatives is the primary right by which all other rights are protected.”

Thomas Paine