



Washington Secretary of State

WASHINGTON STATE HAS A NEW PRIMARY SYSTEM SEPTEMBER 14, 2004

Washington has a new primary that changes the way you vote September 14. If you don't follow directions carefully some of your votes may not count.

- You must vote for candidates of one political party only and then vote nonpartisan* races and issues. Or, you can vote nonpartisan* races and issues only.
- Your privacy is protected. No record of the political party you select will be made.
- Your right to vote for candidates for nonpartisan* office is not affected by this new law.

* *Nonpartisan*: Not associated with any one political party.

** *Primary*: In the Primary you choose candidates who will run in the General Election in November.

There are two main ballot styles. Voters in some counties will receive multiple ballots. Voters in other counties will receive a single (consolidated) ballot.

Multiple Ballots: You may receive multiple ballots, one for each political party. Each party ballot will also include nonpartisan* races and issues. You will also receive a ballot listing only nonpartisan* races and issues. You must only vote and return one ballot for all of your votes to count.

Single (Consolidated) Ballot: A single (consolidated) ballot includes all political parties' races and issues. Select and mark one political party on the ballot. Only vote for that party's candidates. Then vote nonpartisan* races and issues.

Ballot styles have been determined by each county. For more information go to www.vote.wa.gov

NOTE:

Precinct committee officers will be elected in the primary**.

Each candidate must demonstrate voter support in two ways to appear on the November General Election ballot. A candidate must win his or her party's primary** AND must receive 1% of total votes cast.

Minor Party & Independent candidates appear on the General Election ballot only.

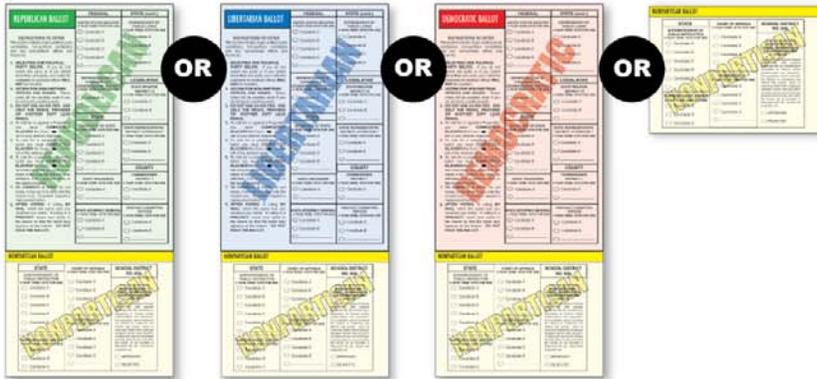
There is no change in voting for the General Election in November.



VOTE FOR ONE!

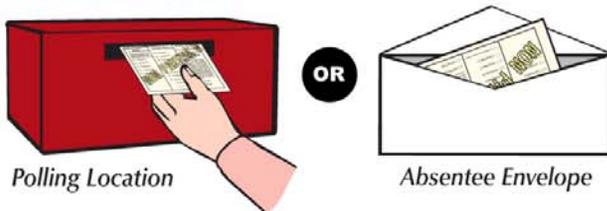
MULTIPLE BALLOTS

1 You must choose one (1) of four (4) ballots.



2 Vote one (1) of four (4) ballots.

3 Then turn in one (1) ballot.



4 Then discard the other three (3) ballots.



WARNING!
To have your vote counted for party candidates you must complete a two (2) step process. First, select one (1) party. Second, vote only for the candidates of that party. Votes for nonpartisan races will not be affected by party choice.

Actual ballot may vary. Please turn it over to make sure you haven't missed an office.

SINGLE (CONSOLIDATED) BALLOT

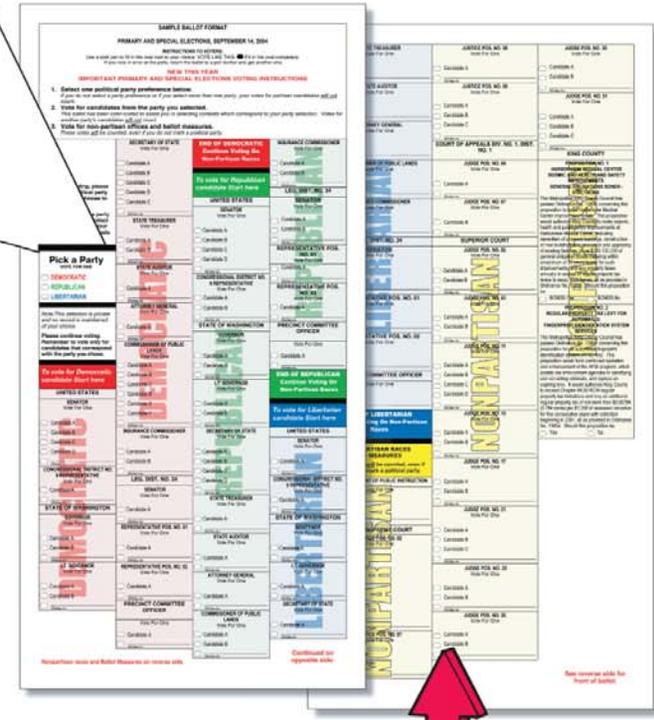
It's as easy as **1** **2** **3**

Pick a Party
VOTE FOR ONE

DEMOCRATIC
 REPUBLICAN
 LIBERTARIAN

1 Pick a party.

2 Vote for candidates from the party you selected!



3 Vote for nonpartisan offices & issues.

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