

1-7-108 Requirements of watchers

(1) Watchers shall take an oath administered by one of the election judges that they are eligible electors, that their name has been submitted to the designated election official as a watcher for this election, and that they will not in any manner make known to anyone the result of counting votes until the polls have closed.

Rule 8.1

Watchers must affirm that they are qualified under sections 1-1-104(51), 1-7-105, 1-7-106, 1-7-107, and 1-7-108(2), C.R.S., as applicable. Watchers must take the oath described in section 1-7-108(1), C.R.S. and, upon first entering the polling location, surrender the certificate of appointment to the supervisor judge at each location where the watcher is designated to observe.

8.1.1

If a watcher leaves a polling location but returns to the same location, another certificate of appointment is not necessary.

8.1.2

A new watcher who is replacing an original watcher must provide an original certificate of appointment for that polling location.

8.1.3

A certificate of appointment as a watcher is not transferable to another individual.

Rule 8.5

In addition to the oath required by section 1-7-108(1), C.R.S., a watcher must affirm that he or she will not:

8.5.1

Attempt to determine how any elector voted or review confidential voter information;

8.5.2

Disclose or record any confidential voter information that he or she may observe; or

8.5.3

Disclose any results before the polls are closed.

Rule 8.6

A watcher may not:

8.6.1

Personally interrupt or disrupt the processing, verification, and counting of any ballots or any other stage of the election.

8.6.2

Write down any ballot numbers or any other identifying information about the electors.

8.6.3

Touch or handle the official signature cards, ballots, mail ballot envelopes, provisional ballot envelopes, voting or counting machines, or machine components.

8.6.4

Interfere with the orderly conduct of any election process, including issuance of ballots, receiving of ballots, and voting or counting of ballots.

8.6.5

Interact with election judges except for the supervisor judge.

8.6.6

Use a mobile phone or other electronic device to make or receive a call in any polling location or other place election activities are conducted.

8.6.7

Use any electronic device to take or record pictures, video, or audio in any polling location or other place election activities are conducted.

8.6.8

Attempt to determine how any elector voted.

8.6.9

Disclose or record any confidential voter information as defined in section 24-72-204(8), C.R.S., that he or she may observe.

8.6.10

Disclose any results before the polls have closed.