

Election Alert #1 Detecting Ineligible Voters

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Immediate action must be taken

Two Essential Lists Now Available for Use in the September Partisan Primary

The State Elections Board (SEB) is providing clerks with two tools to assist them in detecting ineligible voters during the September Partisan Primary. The **Ineligible Voter List** and **Wisconsin Deaths 2003-2006** provide data in a useful format for clerks to use when registering voters in the office and cleaning up data prior to printing poll books, and for poll workers at polling places on September 12. Both lists are scheduled for distribution later this week and will include instructions on how to use the list.

The lists are available by joint efforts of the Department of Corrections (DOC), Department of Administration (DOA), Department of Health and Family Services (DHFS), and the State Elections Board (SEB).

Ineligible Voter List

The **Ineligible Voter List** identifies individuals who, due to a felony conviction, are ineligible to vote in the fall primary election and who have an address within a municipality in your county. Wisconsin Act 451 requires the list to be at all polling places on election day, for the September primary, and all elections going forward. All clerks are to instruct poll workers to use the **Ineligible Voter List** appropriately at polling places on election day following the instructions to be given by SEB.

Wisconsin Deaths 2003-2006

Wisconsin Deaths 2003-2006 list all recorded deaths in Wisconsin counties in the years 2003 through 2006. Prior to printing and distributing poll books for the September primary, data is being provided so that clerks may cross-check the data on recorded deaths against voter registration records. This list may not be used by poll workers at polling places on election day.

Distribution of Lists

Within the next few days, county clerks will receive one hard copy of the **Wisconsin Deaths 2003-2006** list for every municipality in their county and two (2) hard copies of the **Ineligible Voter List** per polling place in their county. County clerks are asked to distribute both lists to the appropriate municipalities. A master CD of both lists will also be sent to each county clerk.

Upon receipt of the lists, county clerks are asked to distribute them to each municipality in their county immediately. We understand that you are using SVRS for the first time while also coordinating the use of new voting equipment and new processes. Our team of SVRS specialists and the SVRS Help Desk are available to assist you with using these new lists.

Thank you for understanding the urgency of this initiative.

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