

Authorized and Appointed Poll Agents

Any person acting as an authorized or appointed poll agent is required to carry this form as identification and shall display it upon demand by any polling place election worker or election office staff person. (K.S.A. 25-3005a).

This form is not valid until it has been date stamped and approved by a staff person at the Johnson County Election Office. Forms must be filed with the county election office by mail, hand delivery, fax or email before the person may act as a poll agent.

There are two types of poll agents, and the qualifications are different for each.

- **Authorized** poll agents are persons authorized by law to act as poll agents because of the position they hold.

Persons holding the following positions are automatically authorized by law to serve as poll agents and are required to carry this form as identification:

- Chairpersons of state and county party committees,
- Chairpersons of committees concerned with question submitted elections,
- Candidates,
- Precinct committee persons and
- Write-in candidates who have filed affidavits of write-in candidacy.

Any person named above may use this form to designate one appointed poll agent per polling place.

- **Appointed** poll agents are persons appointed by authorized poll agents to act as poll agents.

Statement of Appointment

By the authority vested in me, I, _____, have appointed the bearer
Person making appointment

of this certificate, _____, residing at _____
Appointee's name (Poll Agent) Address

who is (circle one): (a) a registered Kansas voter (b) a family member (c) 14-17 years old who meets all other requirements for qualification of an elector except that of age.

to be a poll agent for the _____ to be held on the _____ day of _____, 20____.
Type of election Day Month Yr.

_____	_____	_____
Printed Name	Signature	
_____	_____	_____
Title or Position	Date	Contact Phone #

Important Information
Please Read Rules for Poll Agents

Poll agents *must*

- Carry the appointment form and produce it upon request by an election officer
- Act in accordance with policies adopted by the county election officer and the supervising judge at the polling place
- Comply with state laws and regulations and local rules applicable to poll agents
- Wear a badge identifying them as an observer
- If acting as an appointed poll agent, be a registered Kansas voter or a member of a candidate's family

Poll agents *may*

- Observe the voting process at the polling place where appointed
- Observe the canvass
- Request to be shown a ballot at the original canvass on election day
- If acting as an appointed poll agent, be as young as 14 years of age

Poll agents *may not*

- Approach within three feet of a voting booth or a table used by an election board
- Touch or handle a ballot
- Participate in the administration of ballots or ballot counting
- Hinder or obstruct any voter when entering or exiting a polling place or while voting
- Hinder or obstruct an election board in the performance of its duties