



## Nonpartisan Election Observers

### Scoring

- State explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election process, 1 point
- State does not explicitly allow nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election process, 0 points
- Note: States with laws allowing the general public access to election proceedings have been categorized as allowing nonpartisan observation. Laws governing partisan election observation are not addressed in this document.
- No updates required since October 13, 2021

### Alabama (0)

- State does not explicitly allow nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes.

### Alaska (0)

- State does not explicitly allow nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes.

### Arizona (1)

- State explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes ([Arizona Election Procedures Manual](#)).

### Arkansas (1)

- State explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes (Arkansas Code § 7-5-515, 7-5-416, 7-5-603).

### California (1)

- State explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes (Cal Elec. Code §15004).

### Colorado (1)

- State explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes (Colo. Rev. State. 1-7-509(2), 1-1.5-104).

### Connecticut (1)

- State explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes (Conn. Gen. Stat. §9-244, 9-147a).



Delaware (1)

- State explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes (Delaware Code, Title 15, § 5008A, 4933, 4913).

D.C. (1)

- Explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes (D.C. Mun. Regs. §3-801.2, 706.2).

Florida (1)

- State explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes (Fla. Stat. Title IX §101.5612, 101.5614).

Georgia (1)

- State explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes (Ga. Code § 21-2-37, 21-2-413).

Hawaii (1)

- State explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes (Hawaii Rev. Stat. §11-132).

Idaho (0)

- State does not explicitly allow nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes.

Illinois (1)

- State explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes (10 ILCS 5/17-23).

Indiana (1)

- State explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes (IC 3-11.5-3-4).

Iowa (1)

- State explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes (Iowa Code §49.104, 50.1A).

Kansas (1)

- State explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes (Kan. Stat. §25-3005, 3009).



Kentucky (0)

- State does not explicitly allow nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes.

Louisiana (0)

- State does not explicitly allow nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes.

Maine (1)

- State explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes (21-A M.R.S.A. §695).

Maryland (1)

- State explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes (Md. Election Law Code Ann. § 10-311).

Massachusetts (1)

- State explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes (950 CMR 54.04(22)).

Michigan (1)

- State explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes (M.C.L.A. §§ 168.730).

Minnesota (1)

- State explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes (Minn. Stat. Ann. §203B.212).

Mississippi (1)

- State explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-581).

Missouri (1)

- State explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes (Missouri Rev. Stat. §115.409).

Montana (1)

- State explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes (Mont. Code Ann. §12-12-121).



#### Nebraska (0)

- State does not explicitly allow nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes.

#### Nevada (1)

- State explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes (Nev. Rev. Stat. §293.274).

#### New Hampshire (1)

- State explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes (NH Rev. Stat. Ann. 659:63, 659:49).

#### New Jersey (1)

- State explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes (NJSA 19:53A-8(b)).

#### New Mexico (1)

- State explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes (NM Stat. Ann. §§1-1-3.2, 1-2-25, 1-2-29).

#### New York (0)

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#### North Carolina (1)

- State explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes (N.C.S.G.S. § 163-234, 166.10).

#### North Dakota (1)

- State explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes (NDCC § 16.1-05-09).

#### Ohio (0)

- State does not explicitly allow nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes.

#### Oklahoma (0)

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Oregon (1)

- State explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes ([Oregon Vote by Mail Procedures Manual](#)).

Pennsylvania (0)

- State does not explicitly allow nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes.

Rhode Island (1)

- State explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes (R.I.G.L. § 17-22-2).

South Carolina (1)

- State explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes ([South Carolina Poll Managers Handbook](#)).

South Dakota (1)

- State explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes (S.D.C.L. §12-18-9).

Tennessee (1)

- State explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes (Tenn. Code Ann. § 2-7-104).

Texas (0)

- State does not explicitly allow nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes.

Utah (1)

- State explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes (UCA 20A-3a-801).

Vermont (1)

- State explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes (17 V.S.A. § 2564).

Virginia (1)

- State explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes (VA Code Ann. § 24.2-604.5).



#### Washington (1)

- State explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes (RCW 29A.60.170).

#### West Virginia (1)

- State explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes (W. Va. Code §3-4A-27).

#### Wisconsin (1)

- State explicitly allows nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes (Wis. Stat. § 7.41).

#### Wyoming (0)

- State does not explicitly allow nonpartisan observers access to some or all parts of election processes.