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20A-6-301 Paper ballots -- Regular general election.

- (1) Each election officer shall ensure that:
 - (a) all paper ballots furnished for use at the regular general election contain no captions or other endorsements except as provided in this section;
 - (b)
 - (i) the paper ballot contains a ballot stub at least one inch wide, placed across the top of the ballot, and divided from the rest of ballot by a perforated line;
 - (ii) the ballot number and the words "Poll Worker's Initial ____" are printed on the stub; and
 - (iii) ballot stubs are numbered consecutively;
 - (c) immediately below the perforated ballot stub, the following endorsements are printed in 18 point bold type:
 - (i) "Official Ballot for ____ County, Utah";
 - (ii) the date of the election; and
 - (iii) a facsimile of the signature of the county clerk and the words "county clerk";
 - (d) each ticket is placed in a separate column on the ballot in the order specified under Section 20A-6-305 with the party emblem, followed by the party name, at the head of the column;
 - (e) the party name or title is printed in capital letters not less than one-fourth of an inch high;
 - (f) a circle one-half inch in diameter is printed immediately below the party name or title, and the top of the circle is placed not less than two inches below the perforated line;
 - (g) unaffiliated candidates and candidates not affiliated with a registered political party are listed in one column in the order specified under Section 20A-6-305, without a party circle, with the following instructions printed at the head of the column: "All candidates not affiliated with a political party are listed below. They are to be considered with all offices and candidates listed to the left. Only one vote is allowed for each office.";
 - (h) the columns containing the lists of candidates, including the party name and device, are separated by heavy parallel lines;
 - (i) the offices to be filled are plainly printed immediately above the names of the candidates for those offices;
 - (j) the names of candidates are printed in capital letters, not less than one-eighth nor more than one-fourth of an inch high in heavy-faced type not smaller than 10 point, between lines or rules three-eighths of an inch apart;
 - (k) a square with sides measuring not less than one-fourth of an inch in length is printed immediately adjacent to the name of each candidate;
 - (l) for the offices of president and vice president and governor and lieutenant governor, one square with sides measuring not less than one-fourth of an inch in length is printed on the same side as but opposite a double bracket enclosing the names of the two candidates;
 - (m) in an election in which a voter is authorized to cast a write-in vote and where a write-in candidate is qualified under Section 20A-9-601, immediately adjacent to the unaffiliated ticket on the ballot, the ballot contains a write-in column long enough to contain as many written names of candidates as there are persons to be elected with:
 - (i) for each office on the ballot, the office to be filled plainly printed immediately above:
 - (A) a blank, horizontal line to enable the entry of a valid write-in candidate and a square with sides measuring not less than one-fourth of an inch in length printed immediately adjacent to the blank horizontal line; or
 - (B) for the offices of president and vice president and governor and lieutenant governor, two blank horizontal lines, one placed above the other, to enable the entry of two valid write-

in candidates, and one square with sides measuring not less than one-fourth of an inch in length printed on the same side as but opposite a double bracket enclosing the two blank horizontal lines; and

- (ii) the words "Write-In Voting Column" printed at the head of the column without a one-half inch circle;
 - (n) when required, the ballot includes a nonpartisan ticket placed immediately adjacent to the write-in ticket, or, if there is no write-in ticket, immediately adjacent to the unaffiliated ticket, with the word "NONPARTISAN" in reverse type in an 18 point solid rule running vertically the full length of the nonpartisan ballot copy; and
 - (o) constitutional amendments or other questions submitted to the vote of the people, are printed on the ballot after the list of candidates.
- (2) Each election officer shall ensure that:
- (a) each person nominated by any political party or group of petitioners is placed on the ballot:
 - (i) under the party name and emblem, if any; or
 - (ii) under the title of the party or group as designated by them in their certificates of nomination or petition, or, if none is designated, then under some suitable title;
 - (b) the names of all unaffiliated candidates that qualify as required in Title 20A, Chapter 9, Part 5, Candidates not Affiliated with a Party, are placed on the ballot;
 - (c) the names of the candidates for president and vice president are used on the ballot instead of the names of the presidential electors; and
 - (d) the ballots contain no other names.
- (3) When the ballot contains a nonpartisan section, the election officer shall ensure that:
- (a) the designation of the office to be filled in the election and the number of candidates to be elected are printed in type not smaller than eight point;
 - (b) the words designating the office are printed flush with the left-hand margin;
 - (c) the words, "Vote for one" or "Vote for up to _____ (the number of candidates for which the voter may vote)" extend to the extreme right of the column;
 - (d) the nonpartisan candidates are grouped according to the office for which they are candidates;
 - (e) the names in each group are placed in the order specified under Section 20A-6-305 with the surnames last; and
 - (f) each group is preceded by the designation of the office for which the candidates seek election, and the words, "Vote for one" or "Vote for up to _____ (the number of candidates for which the voter may vote)," according to the number to be elected.
- (4) Each election officer shall ensure that:
- (a) proposed amendments to the Utah Constitution are listed on the ballot in accordance with Section 20A-6-107;
 - (b) ballot propositions submitted to the voters are listed on the ballot in accordance with Section 20A-6-107; and
 - (c) bond propositions that have qualified for the ballot are listed on the ballot under the title assigned to each bond proposition under Section 11-14-206.