



VOTER INTIMIDATION IS ILLEGAL AND PUNISHABLE

No individual may impede or prevent voters from exercising their rights to vote; an individual cannot be near or inside a polling location if that individual or the individual's conduct has an intimidating, threatening or coercive effect. Wis. Stat. § 12.09.

ANYONE VIOLATING THIS STATUTE IS GUILTY OF A CLASS I FELONY – SUBJECT TO A \$10,000 FINE AND 3½ YEARS INCARCERATION
Wis. Stat. §§ 12.60(1)(a) & 939.50(i).

If an election observer in any way interferes with voting, the chief inspector shall issue one warning to the individual. If the offending behavior persists, the chief inspector shall order the individual to leave the polling place, and is required to summon local law enforcement to remove the offender if the behavior continues. Wis. Stat. § 7.41(3)(a); GAB § 4.01(9) & (10).

Illegal behavior that interferes with voting:

- An election observer may not engage in loud, boisterous or otherwise disruptive behavior that threatens the orderly conduct of the election. GAB § 4.01(9) & (10).
- An election observer may not wear any clothing or buttons that describes, states, or implies that the observer is a governmental official or has any authority related to the voting process. GAB § 4.01(18).
- An election observer must remain in the area designated by the chief election inspector, which (when physically feasible) can be no closer than 6 feet and no further than 12 feet from the table where voters from the table at which electors are announcing their name and address and being issued a voter number. GAB § 4.01(5).
- An election observer may not directly challenge a voter; all questions and challenges must be directed to the chief inspector. GAB § 4.01(7).
- An election observer may not use any video or still cameras inside the polling place while the polls are open for voting. GAB 4.01(19).
- An election observer may not use a cell phone to make phone calls. GAB 4.01(15).
- Systematic challenges to voters may constitute illegal voter intimidation. Any individual who challenges a voter's qualifications must swear or affirm under oath why they are challenging the voter's qualifications. Wis. Stat. § 6.925; GAB § 9.02.
- Providing misinformation to a voter, such as directing a voter to the wrong poll, may constitute an illegal impediment to voters' rights. See Wis. Stat. § 12.09.