

P—Freedom Teams—Elections—Steps and Vulnerabilities (7)

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Strategy: educate the populace to contact legislators to simplify, or vote in new legislators

The number of details that are part of managing an election is massive.

The more complicated the process is, the more likely mistakes will be made and the integrity will be lessened.

Bolded entries indicate when others are touching the process.

In the hands of others...

There are over 100 steps in voting; (___) times your vote\ballot is in the hands of other people

Vote By Mail adds at least 40 steps, many of which are vulnerable.

#	Step	Vulnerability
1	Laws—State legislators add laws	
2	Laws—every time a law is added, layers of complications are added	The more complicated, the less integrity
3	Candidate—the candidate must have the proper paperwork	
4	Candidate—must gather the appropriate number of resident signatures	
5	Candidate—must get paperwork to the Town Clerk on time	
6	Candidate—Town Clerk or staff verify residencies	Has a candidate ever been wrongly added or denied?
7	Candidate—Town Clerk or staff verify signatures	Who passes on the residency and signature?
8	Candidate—information goes to the Secretary of State to be put on the ballot	
9	Candidate—correct information onto the correct ballots by precinct	
10	Question—there must be proper paperwork	
11	Question—appropriate number of resident signatures	
12	Question— paperwork to the Town Clerk	
13	Question— Town Clerk or staff verify residency	Who passes or denies this? Errors?
14	Question— Town Clerk or staff verify signature	Who passes or denies this? Errors?
15	Question— information to Secretary of State for ballot	
16	Question—correct information onto the correct ballots by precinct	
17	Ballots—Created by Secretary of State	
18	Ballots—must be matched to each machine	Has failed and had to be hand counted
19	Ballots—Must be correct for each precinct	
20	Ballots—must be tested at the town office for each machine	
21	Ballots—if error must be reprinted	
22	Ballots—openly stored in office; out on the tables	Pilfered, false ballots?

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23	Ballots—stored in a vault	
24	Ballots—to correct precinct on the day of	
25	Ballots—what if not enough or unavailable ballots?	Discount the vote?
26	VOTER LISTS	
27	Voter List—centralized system—Voter Registry Information System (VRIS)	
28	Citizenship—Social Security number	When and how is this assigned? Nots citizen or not?
29	Citizenship—born in USA, birth certificate	
30	Citizenship—born of a citizen anywhere in world	
31	Citizenship—become officially naturalized	
32	Citizenship—proof is brought to the RMV	What is the required proof?
33	Citizenship—is not on the license or id card	
34	Citizenship—is not on the front of the card	
35	Citizenship—is imbedded in the bar code on the back	If required, could better be sure if citizen or not
36	Age—a citizen must be 18 to vote.	
37	Age—When a minor gets a license, they are placed on a queue	
38	Age—who and how is the queue managed?	
39	Age—at 18, is the person automatically on voter list?	Could someone who is underage be added to the voter list?
40	Felon—is not allowed to vote	
41	Felon—How is a felon determined?	
42	Felon—How is a felon removed from a voter list?	Could a felon accidentally remain on the voter list?
43	Felon—can a felon be added back onto the voter list?	
44	RESIDENCY	
45	Residency—a person must be a resident of the town in which they are voting	
46	Residency—a person must have lived in the town for 6 months \.	
47	Residency—must be verified.	
48	Residency—how is residency verified?	
49	Residency—how is length of residency verified?	
50	Residency—is the NCOA (National Change of Address) used to verify?	
51	Residency—what if the person has two residencies.	Could someone vote in two locations and counter my vote?
52	Residency—at times there are conflicts that must be resolved	
53	Living—a voter must, of course, be alive	
54	Living— How are we to be certain that a voter is still alive?	
55	Living—could some use the ballot of a deceased person?	
56	VOTE BY MAIL (VBM)	

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57	VBM—a postcard is mailed to everyone on the voter list	Could these postcards be misused?
58	VBM—this list is managed by the town and sent to the Secretary of State.	
59	VBM—The Secretary of State mails the postcards	Cost?
60	VBM—a person fills out the card to apply for a ballot	Could this be filled out by someone other than the addressee?
61	VBM—the application must be filled out correctly.	
62	VBM—the application must be mailed and get through the mail	
63	VBM—the town must receive the application	Could the application be intercepted and compromised?
64	VBM—the town must check the application	
65	VBM—the information on the application must be correct	What information is checked?
66	VBM—the signature must be verified	
67	VBM—how is the signature verified?	What if it is a false or forged signature? Human error?
68	VBM—Who checks the signature?	
69	VBM—the signature is checked against the card on file	
70	VBM—is the signature checked against the RMV? Seems not \.	
71	VBM—If the application is incomplete, a letter and new application is sent	
72	VBM—if the application is complete, it must be entered in the VRIS	
73	VBM—the ballot package must be prepared	
74	VBM—the ballot package must have proper labels to applicant	
75	VBM—the ballot package must have proper labels on the return envelop	
76	VBM—the ballot package must have the proper ballot for the precinct	
77	VBM—the ballot must be run through the postage machine\\$.81 per ballot	
78	VBM—the ballot must be mailed	
79	VBM—the ballot may need to be brought to each post office for timing	
80	VBM—the ballot package must be coordinated with the VRIS	
81	VBM—the application must be filed in alpha order in correct precinct box	
82	VBM—the application is filed with other applications for that precinct	
83	VBM—the voter fills out the ballot	
84	VBM—the voter must put the ballot in the correct envelop	
85	VBM—the ballot must be mailed in the correct envelop to the town	
86	VBM—the ballot must go through the mail system	Could it be intercepted?
87	VBM—When the ballot received, the outside envelop must be stamped	
88	VBM—the ballot in the envelop must be stored until the election.	Could these be tampered with?
89	VBM—the received ballot must be entered in the VRIS	Could these be tampered with?
90	VBM—the ballot must be filed by alpha in correct precinct box	Could these be tampered with?

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91	VBM—the ballot is filed with other ballots in the precinct box	Could these be tampered with?
92	VBM—on the day before the election, a list is generated of all VBM ballots	
93	VBM—the VBM ballots are checked in at the poll by the warden	Who is the warden, accountability?
94	VBM—the ballots are opened by the warden	
95	VBM—ballots are opened early	
96	VBM—ballots are put into a separate tabulator	
97	VBM—the ballot is fed into the tabulator by the warden	
98	Early Voting—determined by the town	
99	Early Voting—adds layers of staff and work	
100	Voting Day—ballots must be available	
101	Voting Day—if registration as voter is an issue, a provisional ballot is given	
102	Voting Day—what happens to the provisional ballot?	
103	Machines—the machines are stored in the town clerk’s vault	
104	Machines—the machines are the size of a large printer	
105	Machines—the machines are maintained by LHS\ \$2800 per machine	
106	Machines—the machines are tested	By whom and how?
107	Machines—the machines are reportedly not connected to the internet	Lindell device to be sure
108	Machines—the machine counts the number of ballots	
109	Machines—the machines tabulate the votes	How reliable is this?
110	Machines—the results go onto a thumb drive to be printed	
111	Machines—the machines print\ spit out a receipt	
112	Machines—police bring the tabulator disk to the office	
113	Hand Count—if the bubbles are not filled out correctly, need hand count	
114	Hand Count—every ballot with a write in must be hand counted	
115	Certification—there are 4 registrars but the town clerk is the one who certifies	Only certified by the town clerk?
116	Compilation—the information is “hard-wired” to the Sec. of State’s office	Could this be tampered with?
117	Compilation—are the numbers checked per town?	