

Name of Form:
Register of Spoiled Ballots

Section Reference:
Section 64.007, Texas Election Code

Purpose:
To account for ballots that were returned by voters as mismarked, damaged, or otherwise spoiled.

Number of Copies Required:
One

Completed by:
Presiding Judge

Filing Date:
Completed the form throughout the day as ballots are spoiled. At the conclusion of the day's voting, file this form with the spoiled ballots in the Envelope for Spoiled Ballots.

Filed with:
Put in Ballot Box No. 4 or other designated container specified by the General Custodian of Records.

Comments:

1. If a voter destroys or makes a mistake on his/her ballot, he/she may return it in for a new one no more than two times for a total of three ballots.
2. The election judge keeps this record to account for the number of ballots given to each voter.
3. If a poll worker makes an administrative error, the voter does not lose one of his/her three ballots.

Secrecy Sleeve
When completing the spoiled ballot process, place the voter's ballot in a secrecy sleeve so that other persons in the polling place may not see the voter's choices on the spoiled ballot. Exposing a voter's choices for others to see is not conducive to a secret ballot.