

Election Guide for Candidates

Candidates are permitted to...

Verbally campaign within 500 feet of a polling place. Maps are available on CHSVotes.gov (§ 7-25-180).

Wear a badge that contains the candidate's name and office sought, but is no larger than 4 ¼"x4 ¼" within 500 feet of the entrance to a polling place (§ 7-25-180).

Enter a polling place

Request an absentee ballot application for immediate family members* (§ 7-15-310).

Encourage voters to find their polling location on SCVotes.gov

*Immediate family members are defined in South Carolina law (§ 7-15-310).



State law prohibits...

Distributing campaign literature within 500 feet of a polling place (§ 7-25-180).

Displaying campaign materials (including signs), aside from a 4 ¼"x4 ¼" badge, within 500 feet of the entrance to a polling place (§ 7-25-180).

Wearing a candidate badge inside of a polling place (§ 7-25-180).

Disrupting or interfering with the election process (§ 7-25-100).

Requesting an absentee ballot application for anyone other than an immediate family member (§ 7-15-310).

Procuring votes by way of threat, intimidation, or the exchange of goods (§ 7-25-50 and 7-25-70).

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