

UNLAWFUL ACTS AND PENALTIES

NRS 293.700 Bribery of elector. A person who bribes, offers to bribe, or uses any other corrupt means, directly or indirectly, to influence any elector in giving his or her vote or to deter the elector from giving it is guilty of a category D felony and shall be punished as provided in [NRS 193.130](#).

(Added to NRS by [1975, 535](#); A [1979, 1464](#); [1995, 1269](#))

NRS 293.710 Intimidation of voters and other unlawful acts in connection with election process.

1. It is unlawful for any person, in connection with any election, petition or preregistration or registration of voters, whether acting himself or herself or through another person in his or her behalf, to:

- (a) Use or threaten to use any force, intimidation, coercion, violence, restraint or undue influence;
- (b) Inflict or threaten to inflict any physical or mental injury, damage, harm or loss upon the person or property of another;
- (c) Expose or publish or threaten to expose or publish any fact concerning another in order to induce or compel such other to vote or refrain from voting for any candidate or any question;
- (d) Impede or prevent, by abduction, duress or fraudulent contrivance, the free exercise of the franchise by any voter, or thereby to compel, induce or prevail upon any elector to give or refrain from giving his or her vote; or
- (e) Discharge or change the place of employment of any employee with the intent to impede or prevent the free exercise of the franchise by such employee.

2. A person who violates a provision of this section is guilty of a category E felony and shall be punished as provided in [NRS 193.130](#).

(Added to NRS by [1960, 268](#); A [1993, 2669](#); [2011, 2100](#); [2017, 3868](#))

NRS 293.720 Suppression of or failure to file nomination paper by public officer. Any officer in whose office any nomination paper has been filed, who shall wrongfully suppress, neglect or fail to cause the proper filing thereof at the proper time and the proper place, is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

(Added to NRS by [1960, 270](#); A [1967, 552](#); [1973, 871](#)) — (Substituted in revision for NRS 293.587)

NRS 293.730 Interfering with conduct of election; unauthorized delivery, receipt, identification, display or removal of ballot. [Effective through December 31, 2019.]

1. A person shall not:
 - (a) Remain in or outside of any polling place so as to interfere with the conduct of the election.
 - (b) Except an election board officer, receive from any voter a ballot prepared by the voter.
 - (c) Remove a ballot from any polling place before the closing of the polls.
 - (d) Apply for or receive a ballot at any election precinct or district other than the one at which the person is entitled to vote.
 - (e) Show his or her ballot to any person, after voting, so as to reveal any of the names voted for.
 - (f) Inside a polling place, ask another person for whom he or she intends to vote.
 - (g) Except an election board officer, deliver a ballot to a voter.
 - (h) Except an election board officer in the course of the election board officer's official duties, inside a polling place, ask another person his or her name, address or political affiliation.

2. A voter shall not:

- (a) Receive a ballot from any person other than an election board officer.
- (b) Deliver to an election board or to any member thereof any ballot other than the one received.
- (c) Place any mark upon his or her ballot by which it may afterward be identified as the one voted by the person.

3. Any person who violates any provision of this section is guilty of a category E felony and shall be punished as provided in [NRS 193.130](#).

(Added to NRS by [1960, 270](#); A [1973, 871](#); [1985, 335](#); [1987, 1168](#); [1989, 2170](#); [1995, 2785](#); [2011, 2100](#))

NRS 293.730 Interfering with conduct of election; unauthorized delivery, receipt, identification, display or removal of ballot. [Effective January 1, 2020.]

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- (c) Remove a ballot from any polling place before the closing of the polls.

(d) Apply for or receive a ballot at any election precinct or district other than one at which the person is entitled to vote.

(e) Show his or her ballot to any person, after voting, so as to reveal any of the names voted for.

(f) Inside a polling place, ask another person for whom he or she intends to vote.

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(Added to NRS by [1960, 270](#); A [1973, 871](#); [1985, 335](#); [1987, 1168](#); [1989, 2170](#); [1995, 2785](#); [2011, 2100](#); [2019, 4103](#), effective January 1, 2020)

NRS 293.740 Soliciting votes and electioneering inside polling place or within certain distance from polling place prohibited; penalty.

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, it is unlawful inside a polling place or within 100 feet from the entrance to the building or other structure in which a polling place is located:

(a) For any person to solicit a vote or speak to a voter on the subject of marking the voter's ballot.

(b) For any person, including an election board officer, to do any electioneering on election day.

↳ The county clerk or registrar of voters shall ensure that, at the outer limits of the area within which electioneering is prohibited, notices are continuously posted on which are printed in large letters "Distance Marker: No electioneering between this point and the entrance to the polling place."

2. The provisions of subsection 1 do not apply to the conduct of a person in a private residence or on commercial or residential property that is within 100 feet from the entrance to a building or other structure in which a polling place is located. The provisions of subsection 1 are not intended to prohibit a person from voting solely because he or she is wearing a prohibited political insigne and is reasonably unable to remove the insigne or cover it. In such a case, the election board officer shall take such action as is necessary to allow the voter to vote as expediently as possible and then assist the voter in exiting the polling place as soon as is possible.

3. Any person who violates any provision of this section is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

4. As used in this section, "electioneering" means campaigning for or against a candidate, ballot question or political party by:

(a) Posting signs relating to the support of or opposition to a candidate, ballot question or political party;

(b) Distributing literature relating to the support of or opposition to a candidate, ballot question or political party;

(c) Using loudspeakers to broadcast information relating to the support of or opposition to a candidate, ballot question or political party;

(d) Buying, selling, wearing or displaying any badge, button or other insigne which is designed or tends to aid or promote the success or defeat of any political party or a candidate or ballot question to be voted upon at that election; or

(e) Soliciting signatures to any kind of petition.

(Added to NRS by [1963, 1382](#); A [1967, 863](#); [1973, 872](#); [1977, 464](#); [1987, 1169](#); [1989, 2171](#); [1997, 80](#); [2011, 2101](#))

NRS 293.750 Removal or destruction of election supplies or equipment. Any person who, during an election, removes or destroys any of the supplies or equipment placed in the booths or compartments or removes or defaces the cards of instruction posted as prescribed by this chapter is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

(Added to NRS by [1960, 270](#); A [1973, 872](#)) — (Substituted in revision for NRS 293.593)

NRS 293.755 Tampering or interfering with certain election equipment or computer programs used to count ballots; report of violation to district attorney.

1. A person who tampers or interferes with, or attempts to tamper or interfere with, a mechanical voting system, mechanical voting device or any computer program used to count ballots with the intent to prevent the proper operation of that device, system or program is guilty of a category D felony and shall be punished as provided in [NRS 193.130](#).

2. A person who tampers or interferes with, or attempts to tamper or interfere with, a mechanical voting system, mechanical voting device or any computer program used to count ballots with the intent to influence the outcome of an election is guilty of a category B felony and shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison for a minimum term of not less than 2 years and a maximum term of not more than 20 years.

3. The county or city clerk shall report any alleged violation of this section to the district attorney who shall cause appropriate proceedings to be instituted and prosecuted in a court of competent jurisdiction without delay.

(Added to NRS by [1991, 2217](#); A [1995, 1269](#); [1997, 3470](#); [2011, 2101](#))

NRS 293.760 Alteration, defacement or removal of posted results of votes cast. Any person who, prior to the expiration of 48 hours following the closing of the polls, alters, defaces, removes or destroys the copy of the results of votes cast posted outside a polling place is guilty of a gross misdemeanor. Notice of such penalty shall be printed on the copy posted.

(Added to NRS by [1965, 1254](#); A [1973, 872](#)) — (Substituted in revision for NRS 293.594)

NRS 293.770 Refusal of person sworn by election board to answer questions. Every person who, after being sworn by an election board, refuses to answer any relevant question propounded by such board concerning the right of any other person to vote is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

(Added to NRS by [1960, 270](#); A [1973, 872](#)) — (Substituted in revision for NRS 293.595)

NRS 293.775 Voting by person who knows he or she is not qualified elector; voting using name of another person.

1. A person who is not a qualified elector and who votes or attempts to vote knowing that he or she is not a qualified elector is guilty of a category D felony and shall be punished as provided in [NRS 193.130](#).

2. A person who votes or attempts to vote using the name of another person is guilty of a category D felony and shall be punished as provided in [NRS 193.130](#).

(Added to NRS by [2013, 2370](#))

NRS 293.780 Voting more than once at same election.

1. A person who is entitled to vote shall not vote or attempt to vote more than once at the same election. Any person who votes or attempts to vote twice at the same election is guilty of a category D felony and shall be punished as provided in [NRS 193.130](#).

2. Notice of the provisions of subsection 1 must be given by the county or city clerk as follows:

(a) Stated on all sample ballots distributed by mail or electronic means;

(b) Posted in boldface type at each polling place; and

(c) Posted in boldface type at the office of the county or city clerk.

(Added to NRS by [1973, 403](#); A [1987, 356](#); [1997, 234](#); [2015, 2644](#), [3166](#))

NRS 293.790 Offer to vote by person whose vote has been rejected. [Effective through December 31, 2019.] If any person whose vote has been rejected offers to vote at the same election, at any polling place other than the one in which the person is registered to vote, such person is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

(Added to NRS by [1960, 270](#); A [1973, 872](#); [1991, 1686](#))

NRS 293.790 Offer to vote by person whose vote has been rejected. [Effective January 1, 2020.] If any person whose vote has been rejected offers to vote at the same election, at any polling place other than one in which the person is entitled to vote, such person is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

(Added to NRS by [1960, 270](#); A [1973, 872](#); [1991, 1686](#); [2019, 4103](#), effective January 1, 2020)

NRS 293.800 Unlawful acts concerning registration of voters; violations of laws governing elections; crimes by public officers.

1. A person who, for himself, herself or another person, willfully gives a false answer or answers to questions propounded to the person by the registrar or field registrar of voters relating to the information called for by the application to register to vote, or who willfully falsifies the application in any particular, or who violates any of the provisions of the election laws of this State or knowingly encourages another person to violate those laws is guilty of a category E felony and shall be punished as provided in [NRS 193.130](#).

2. A public officer or other person, upon whom any duty is imposed by this title, who willfully neglects his or her duty or willfully performs it in such a way as to hinder the objects and purposes of the election laws of this State,

except where another penalty is provided, is guilty of a category E felony and shall be punished as provided in [NRS 193.130](#).

3. If the person is a public officer, his or her office is forfeited upon conviction of any offense provided for in subsection 2.

4. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a person who causes or endeavors to cause his or her name to be registered, knowing that he or she is not an elector or will not be an elector on or before the day of the next ensuing election in the precinct or district in which he or she causes or endeavors to cause the registration to be made, and any other person who induces, aids or abets the person in the commission of either of the acts is guilty of a category E felony and shall be punished as provided in [NRS 193.130](#). The provisions of this subsection do not apply to a person who preregisters to vote.

5. A field registrar or other person who provides to an elector an application to register to vote and who:

- (a) Knowingly falsifies the application or knowingly causes an application to be falsified;
- (b) Knowingly provides money or other compensation to another for a falsified application; or
- (c) Intentionally fails to submit to the county clerk a completed application,

is guilty of a category E felony and shall be punished as provided in [NRS 193.130](#).

(Added to NRS by [1960, 271](#); A [1961, 294](#); [1973, 872](#); [1993, 2198](#); [1995, 1269, 2281](#); [1997, 235, 608](#); [1999, 2117](#); [2011, 2102](#); [2017, 3868](#))

NRS 293.805 Unlawful to pay compensation based upon total number of persons preregistered or registered or total number preregistered or registered in particular political party.

1. It is unlawful for a person to provide compensation for preregistering or registering voters that is based upon:

- (a) The total number of persons or voters a person preregisters or registers; or
- (b) The total number of persons or voters a person preregisters or registers in a particular political party.

2. A person who violates any provision of this section is guilty of a category E felony and shall be punished as provided in [NRS 193.130](#).

(Added to NRS by [1993, 2167](#); A [1995, 1270](#); [1997, 235](#); [2017, 3869](#))

NRS 293.810 Preregistration or registration in more than one county at one time. It is unlawful for any person to be preregistered to vote or registered as a voter in more than one county at one time.

(Added to NRS by [1987, 1590](#); A [2017, 3869](#))

NRS 293.820 Solicitation of contribution for political organization without prior approval or charter.

1. It is unlawful for any person to solicit a contribution for any organization the title of which incorporates the name, or any form of the name, of any political party in this State without first having obtained written approval therefor, or a charter for that organization, from the central or executive committee of that political party the name of which is being used or incorporated in the title of that organization for the county in which the money is being solicited.

2. This section does not require any person or organization to obtain a charter or written approval if that person or organization is:

(a) Publicly organized for the sole and limited purpose of supporting the candidacy of a particular candidate in a single election.

(b) Chartered by a national political party or organization.

(c) Chartered by a state central committee in Nevada.

3. Any person who violates any provision of this section is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

4. As used in this section, "contribution" has the meaning ascribed to it in [NRS 294A.007](#).

(Added to NRS by [1967, 844](#); A [1973, 873](#); [1987, 356, 1373](#); [1989, 228](#); [1999, 3554](#))

NRS 293.830 Betting on election. Any person who makes, offers or accepts any bet or wager upon the result of any election, or upon the success or failure of any person or candidate, or upon the number of votes to be cast, either in the aggregate or for any particular candidate, or upon the vote to be cast by any person, is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

(Added to NRS by [1960, 271](#); A [1973, 873](#)) — (Substituted in revision for NRS 293.603)

NRS 293.840 Civil penalty.

1. In addition to any criminal penalty, a person who violates the provisions of this chapter is subject to a civil penalty in an amount not to exceed \$20,000 for each violation. This penalty must be recovered in a civil action brought in the name of the State of Nevada by the Attorney General or by any district attorney in a court of competent jurisdiction.

2. Any civil penalty collected pursuant to this section must be deposited by the collecting agency for credit to the State General Fund in the bank designated by the State Treasurer.