

WAC 434-232-010 Definitions. (1) "Ballot measure" for the purposes of this chapter means any question put forth for voting that involves a yes/no or approve/disapprove response. This includes, but is not limited to, any bond election; tax levy proposition; election to form, dissolve, or annex territory into a district or municipality; charter adoption, amendment, or abandonment; initiative; referendum; advisory vote; or any issue characterized by finalization of the question.

(2) "Contests prohibited to primary-only voters" means the following contests, even when held in conjunction with a primary:

(a) Any ballot measure; or

(b) Any contest where a candidate is deemed elected following the primary including, but not limited to, candidates for precinct committee officer, freeholder, charter review, and commissioners elected to a newly formed jurisdiction.

(3) "Contests subject to participation by primary-only voters" means the following contests:

(a) Nonpartisan candidate races that contain three or more candidates, appearing on a primary ballot;

(b) Partisan candidate races, regardless of the number of candidates, appearing on a primary ballot; and

(c) The presidential primary as described in chapter 29A.56 RCW regardless of the number of presidential candidates appearing on the ballot.

(4) "Primary-only voter ballots" are ballots issued to primary-only voters that contain only contests subject to participation by primary-only voters, and do not include races or contests prohibited to primary-only voters.

(5) "Primary-only voters" means a voter who is 17 years of age on the day of the primary but will reach the age of 18 on or before the date of the following November general election. Primary-only voters are only authorized to participate in primary elections and prohibited from participating in any special or general election.

(6) "Standard primary ballots" are ballots issued to all voters who are at least 18 years of age on the date of the primary that contain all applicable issues and candidate races for that ballot style.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 29A.04.611. WSR 22-10-041, § 434-232-010, filed 4/27/22, effective 5/28/22.]