

3-13. Completion of registration forms; comparison of records.

(a) The applicant shall be required to answer in the presence of the registrars all questions required on the registration forms. If it shall be determined that he is not qualified to be a voter, an entry shall be made in the appropriate place on the forms "No." If the applicant is qualified, the entry shall be made as "Yes." After the answers of the applicant to all questions have been properly entered on the forms, the applicant shall sign his name in the place on the forms for his signature, if he can do so. If he shall be unable to do so, the registrars shall make the entry "cannot sign" on the forms in the place of his signature, and shall note on the forms the applicant's height, color of eyes and any distinguishing physical marks.

(b) At the end of each registration session, the original and duplicate registration forms shall be compared, verified and conformed. If any person is found to have registered more than once, the additional registration forms shall be cancelled.

3-14. Registration forms.

(a) Whenever in the opinion of any board the registration forms have become filled in and can no longer be used, the information contained thereon shall be transcribed on new forms under the supervision and direction of the board.

(b) The boards shall retain all old registration books or forms which have been transcribed onto new forms under this section for a period of at least sixty years before the books or old forms may be destroyed in the manner provided by law for the destruction of records.

3-15. Temporary certificates of registration.

(a) If at any election, it shall appear that the original registration form of any person presenting himself as a voter is not among the cards constituting the precinct register for use on election day, such person may apply to the board, or a majority of its members on forms to be provided by the board, for a certificate entitling him to cast his ballot in spite of the absence of such original registration form. Upon receipt of any application for such a certificate, accompanied by proof of the identity of the applicant, a majority of the board shall inspect the duplicate registration forms retained in the office of the board, and if inspection discloses that the applicant is a duly registered voter, a majority of the board shall make reasonable effort to locate the applicant's original registration form. If such original form is not found and if a majority of the board shall be satisfied that its absence is not due to fraud or malfeasance, the board or a majority of its members shall issue its certificate, a copy of which shall be retained by the board, to the judges of the precinct in which the applicant is found to be a registered voter. The certificate shall be marked "Temporary Certificate of Registration," shall be in the form provided by subsection (c) of this section, and shall be sufficient authority to permit the voter to cast his ballot in his precinct as though his original registration form were present. The certificate, when presented to the judges shall be retained by the judges and returned to the board at the time prescribed for the return of the original registration forms.