

25. Registry Books. (a) *Custody.* It shall be the duty of said officers of registration to protect and keep safe said registry books, each of whom shall be charged with the custody of one of said books during the intervals between the sessions of the board of registry until the return of said books to the Supervisors of Elections as hereinafter provided.

(b) *Replacing Registration Books.* Whenever in the opinion of the Board of Supervisors of Elections in any county it becomes necessary to rewrite any of the registration books because said books have become so worn or the lettered sub-divisions thereof have become so filled with names that their future use is not practicable, the names of all persons registered on such books shall be transcribed on new registration books or cards or loose-leaf pages to be provided by the said Board. Such work shall be done under the supervision and direction of the Board of Supervisors.

26. Registry Cards and Loose-Leaf Pages. (a) *Authorized.* The Board of Supervisors of Elections in each county is authorized to acquire and use registry books consisting of cards or loose-leaf pages. Such cards or pages shall contain substantially the same information as required hereinabove for registry books. The cards or pages, and any binders, cabinets or cases shall be acquired, protected, maintained and used in general conformity with the provisions of this Article.

(b) *Entries.* In any county adopting the use of such cards or pages, the entries for each applicant for registration shall be entered thereon, and the cards or pages shall thereafter be returned to the office of the Supervisors of Elections in sealed envelopes. The cards or pages shall then be placed in the registry records, which shall be so designed as to prevent their unlawful removal.

(c) *Exception.* All provisions of this Article with respect to the registration of voters and the keeping and maintaining of records thereof shall apply in any county adopting the use of and using cards or loose-leaf pages only to the extent they are applicable thereto.

27. Challenges. Any voter shall be permitted to be present at the place of registration in any precinct or district of his county, and shall have the right to challenge any applicant. The applicant so challenged shall be carefully questioned by the board of registry as to his right to be registered in such precinct or district; and by decision of the majority of the board shall be entered as a qualified voter or refused registration, as the case may be.

28. Change of Affiliation. No voter after having had his or her affiliation registered shall be permitted to make any change in such party affiliation unless the same shall be made at least six months prior to the day of the primary election.

29. Registration Days. General Provisions. On the fifth Tuesday preceding any primary election and on the Tuesdays eight and seven weeks, respectively, preceding any general election, each board of Registry in the respective counties shall meet at the place designated by the Board of Supervisors of Elections. The board shall proceed to make a registration of all the persons in its precincts or districts, as the case may be, who have not previously registered, who may be entitled to vote at the next general election and who shall present