

number of voters who have operated the machine during said period of voting;

(k) Have a protective counter, or other device, the register of which cannot be reset, which shall record the cumulative total number of movements of the operating mechanism;

(l) Be provided with a lock or locks, by means of which, immediately after the polls are closed, or the operation of the machine for an election is completed, all movement of the registering mechanism is absolutely prevented;

(m) Be provided with a screen, hood or curtain, which shall conceal the actions of the voter while voting;

(n) Be constructed of material of good quality, in a neat and workmanlike manner;

(o) When properly operated, register or record correctly and accurately every vote cast;

(p) Be so constructed that a voter may readily learn the method of operating it;

(q) Be safely transportable;

(r) Be so constructed and controlled that, during the progress of voting, it shall preclude every person from seeing or knowing the number of votes registered for any candidate, and from tampering with any of the registering mechanism.

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(b) The judges shall meet at their respective polls on election day at least one-half hour before the opening of the polls, and shall then inspect the equipment furnished. If at least two judges of election of opposite party affiliation are present, they shall open the envelope containing the keys to each voting machine and shall, *except in the case of machines so constructed as to furnish a printed or photographic record of the setting of the counters and the numbers registered thereon by voting*, unlock the counter compartment to ascertain whether the tabulating devices are all set at zero (000), and whether the numbered seal on the operating lever is unbroken, and that the number thereon is identical with the number certified on the envelope containing said keys. They shall also compare the number appearing on the dials of the exposed counter designed to register every consecutive operation of the machine with the reading thereof noted on the said envelope containing said keys. *If the machine is so constructed as to furnish a printed or photographic record of the setting of the vote registering counters as they appear prior to the opening of the polls the counter compartment shall not be opened nor shall the counters be exposed to view and such printed or photographic record shall be examined in the same manner as provided herein for the examination of counters to ascertain that all are set at zero (000).* [They shall inspect the face of the] *The judges shall inspect the face of every machine to make sure the proper ballot labels are in proper places, and that the machine is otherwise ready for use. If after such an inspection the said judges shall find the machine to be in proper order, they shall sign a certificate to that effect, which shall be returned to the supervisors of elections with other equipment; and after signing such certificate they shall remove the metal*