

8-209. REQUIRED PROVISIONS – ALLOCATION OF QUALIFIED JURORS.

EACH JURY PLAN SHALL SET THE METHOD BY WHICH THE NAMES OF QUALIFIED JURORS ARE TO BE ALLOCATED BETWEEN GRAND AND TRIAL JURIES.

COMMITTEE NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from the introductory language of former CJ § 8-202(4).

Reference to “qualified jurors” is substituted for the former reference to the names from the qualified jury “wheel”, to conform to former CJ § 8-208(a)(1), which provided for use of electronic or other devices besides a “wheel”.

Reference to a “trial” jury is substituted for the former reference to a “petit” jury, in accordance with the Council on Jury Use and Management’s preference for language more understandable to the public.

Defined terms: “Jury plan” § 8-101
“Qualified juror” § 8-101

8-210. REQUIRED PROVISIONS – CHANGES FOR JURY JUDGE’S ATTENTION.

EACH JURY PLAN SHALL DETAIL CHANGES OF INFORMATION AS TO PROSPECTIVE, QUALIFIED, AND SWORN JURORS ABOUT WHICH A JURY COMMISSIONER IS TO INFORM A JURY JUDGE.

COMMITTEE NOTE: This section is new and added to reflect the second sentence of former CJ § 8-206(c) now revised CJ § 8-314(b) which imposed a duty on a jury commissioner.

As to a jury judge, see revised CJ § 8-204.

Defined terms: “Jury commissioner” § 8-101
“Jury plan” § 8-101
“Prospective juror” § 8-101
“Qualified juror” § 8-101

8-211. REQUIRED PROVISIONS – GRAND JURY FOREPERSONS.

EACH JURY PLAN SHALL SET THE METHOD BY WHICH A FOREPERSON IS TO BE CHOSEN FOR A GRAND JURY FROM AMONG ITS MEMBERS.

COMMITTEE NOTE: This section is new language substituted for former Public Local Laws, Art. 1 [Allegany County], § 53-3 and former Public Local Laws, Art. 12 [Garrett County], § 58-4A and B, as they related to selection by a judge of a grand jury foreperson. The substitution is intended to ensure that every county has a set manner for selection, approved by the Court of Appeals.

As to forepersons for trial juries, see Md. Rules 2-512(i) and 4-312(h).

Defined term: “Jury plan” § 8-101