

Chapter 29

Elections

[HISTORY: Adopted by the Town of Salem as indicated in article histories. Amendments noted where applicable.]

Article I Hours for State Elections

[Adopted by the 1942 Town Meeting (Ch. 35, Art. III, of the 1995 Code)]

§ 29-1 Voting hours established.

The Town hereby adopts the voting hours for state elections of 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Article II Hours for Town Elections

[Adopted by the 1942 Town Meeting (Ch. 35, Art. IV, of the 1995 Code)]

§ 29-2 Voting hours established.

The Town hereby adopts the voting hours for Town elections of 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Article III Closing Date for Correction of Checklist

[Adopted by the 1946 Town Meeting (Ch. 35, Art. V, of the 1995 Code)]

§ 29-3 Session date and hours.

The Supervisors of the Checklist shall be in session for the correction of the checklist at the Salem Town Offices on the Saturday 10 days prior to the election and upon which all hearings shall be finally closed, provided that if the Saturday falls on a holiday weekend, that session shall be held on Tuesday, seven days prior to the election, between 7:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. and at the discretion of the Supervisors for extended hours as provided in RSA 654:27.

Article IV Partisan Ballot System

~~**[Adopted by the 1955 Town Meeting (Ch. 35, Art. VI, of the 1995 Code)]**~~

~~**§ 29-4 Partisan ballot system established.**~~

~~The Town hereby rescinds the action of the Town in voting to establish the nonpartisan ballot system in the Town of Salem as accepted under Article 25 of the 1954 Town Warrant and thereby reestablishes the partisan ballot system as previously in force under the authority granted to rescind such action in Chapter 34, Paragraph 112, of the Revised Laws of the State of New Hampshire as amended by Chapter 22 of the Session Laws of 1943¹.~~

1. Editor's Note: This article did not at the 1955 Town Meeting - Article 19 - Vote: 165 (Yes), 232 (No) - Per Town Clerk Records Article failed.

[Adopted by the 1954 Town Meeting (Ch. 35, Art. VI, of the 1995 Code)]

§ 29-4 – Non-Partisan ballot system established

Non-Partisan ballot system established. The Town hereby adopts the non-partisan Ballot System as provided in section 112 to 120 of the revised laws of the State of NH for the election of Town Officials. Adopted at the 1954 Town Meeting, Article 25.

**Article V
Absentee Ballots**

[Adopted by the 1975 Town Meeting (Ch. 35, Art. I, of the 1995 Code)]

§ 29-5 Adoption of statutory provisions.

The provisions for absentee ballot for the election of Town officers in RSA 669:26 through 669:29 are hereby adopted by this Town.

**Article VI
Polling Places**

[Adopted by the 1976 Town Meeting (Ch. 35, Art. II, of the 1995 Code)]

§ 29-6 Selectmen to determine polling places.

The Town hereby instructs the Selectmen to determine polling places in the Town of Salem.

**Article VII
Changes in Party Affiliation**

[Adopted by the 1980 Town Meeting (Ch. 35, Art. VII, of the 1995 Code)]

§ 29-7 Applications to be made with Town Clerk.

The provisions of RSA 654:34-a permitting applications for changes in party affiliation to be made with the Town Clerk are hereby adopted.