

Ordinance 2022-01
Town of Oak Grove—Pierce County, Wisconsin
Election Staffing: Number of Inspectors, Split Shifts, Tabulators

WHEREAS, the governing body has the specific authority under s. [7.30 \(1\)](#), Wis. stats., to adopt an ordinance permitting the clerk to utilize **split shifts** for election inspectors (also known as poll workers); and

WHEREAS s. 7.32, Wis. stats., allows the governing body, by resolution, to reduce the **number of election inspectors** present at a polling place to not less than 3; and

WHEREAS, s. 7.30 (3), Wis stats., allows the governing body, by resolution, to authorize the municipal clerk to select and employ **tabulators** for any election; and

WHEREAS the town board of the Town of Oak Grove in Pierce County, Wisconsin, having previously enacted Resolution 2018-02 authorizing the clerk to reduce the number of election inspectors to a minimum of 3 and to utilize split shifts, deems it beneficial to consolidate policy and to continue to tailor staffing to the size of the election and the needs of the local polling place;

THIS ORDINANCE, adopted by formal vote of the town board with a quorum present and proper notice having been given, does hereby provide authority for the town clerk to assign election staffing as follows:

The town clerk may establish and assign partial or split shifts for election officials. The final shift shall continue until the completion of all required Election Day duties that follow the closure of the polls.

The town clerk may reduce the number of election inspectors in the polling place to the minimum of 3. The number of election officials may be increased to provide sufficient staffing for any election; however, an odd number of inspectors must always be assigned to a given polling place. Pursuant to Wis. stat. s. 7.30 (1)(b), an additional official whose presence would otherwise create an unacceptable even number of inspectors in the polling place may serve as a designated greeter, who shall be available to substitute for another election official when that person must take a break or otherwise leave the room during the voting process.

The town clerk may select and employ tabulators for an election when needed. Tabulators may assist with post-election duties after the close of polls, including the tally of write-in votes, provided they are under the direct supervision of qualified election inspectors.

This ordinance is effective upon publication or posting, until such time as the authorization is modified or revoked. The town clerk shall properly post or publish this ordinance as required under s. [60.80](#), Wis. stats.

Adopted on this 21st day of February, 2022, by majority vote of the town board.

Signed by:
Gerald Kosin, Chair, Town of Oak Grove

Attest: Andria Hayday, Town Clerk

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(Signature copy archived.)

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