Scrutineers are allowed to be present:

- Anywhere people are voting.
- For the sealing and unsealing of ballot boxes.
- At the scrutiny of declaration envelopes.
- Wherever votes are being counted.

However, Scrutineers must:

- Carry a completed copy of this form.
- Wear your scrutineer bib and badge.

While there Scrutineers may:

- Observe operations and the conduct of election staff.
- Inspect ballot boxes, observe their sealing and sign as a witness.
- If and as requested, assist a voter by explaining, reading or marking their ballot paper.
- Challenge the way a ballot paper is counted.
  i.e. whether it is formal or informal, or which candidate it is attributed to.
- Do anything else permitted by legislation.

However, Scrutineers must not:

- Compromise the secrecy of the vote.
- Touch ballot papers or declaration envelopes (unless specifically requested by a voter).
- Touch ballot boxes or other electoral material.
- Canvass for votes within the booth or 6 metres from its entrance.
- Wear political clothing within the booth or 6 metres from its entrance.
  e.g. candidate t-shirts, hats or badges.
- Communicate with anyone in the booth except to perform your duties as a scrutineer.
- Be aggressive, vexatious or intimidating to election staff, voters or other scrutineers.

The rules above are the law. If you fail to comply with these rules—or the reasonable directions of an Election Official—you may be excluded from the polling place or counting centre.