Scrutineers are allowed to be present:

- For the sealing and unsealing of ballot boxes.
- For the sealing of ballot materials after the preliminary count.
- For the official count, after polling night.

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.
- 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.

All Scrutineers must comply with the Direction about Candidates and Scrutineers at Particular Places, issued by the Electoral Commissioner on 27 March 2020 (available at www.ecq.qld.gov.au). Scrutineers must also comply with all directions issued by a Returning Officer, Presiding Officer (or another officer in charge of a polling booth), or another ECQ staff members who has been given direction under s96A of the Local Government Electoral Act 2011.

Scrutineer to complete

I acknowledge that I have read my Scrutineer Appointment Form in full and understand the conditions of my appointment. I undertake to conduct myself according to these rules and accept that there are consequences for failing to do so.