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<b>Use of electronic communication and photographic devices at a voting place</b>	City Clerk's Office – Toronto Elections
	<b>Policy No.:</b> POL-ELER-003

**1. Policy**

To maintain the secrecy of the vote, the City Clerk prohibits the use of electronic communication and/or photographic devices at the voting place by electors, scrutineers and candidates for the purposes of making phone calls or taking photographs or videos.

**2. Application**

This policy applies to election officials designated by the City Clerk, electors, scrutineers, and candidates during Toronto elections and/or by-elections.

**3. Authority/Legislative reference(s)**

Section 12 of the Municipal Elections Act, 1996 enables the City Clerk to provide for any matter or procedure that is not otherwise provided for in an Act or regulation and that, in their opinion, is necessary or desirable for conducting the election.

Section 49(1) and (3) of the Municipal Elections Act, 1996 prohibits electors from taking a photograph or video recording of their marked ballot.

**4. Related Policies and Procedures**

*Media attendance at a voting place.*

**Date Approved: June 2026**