

Touch screen Voting System Used in Massachusetts Polls

Every polling place in Massachusetts has at least one AutoMARK Voting System on site that allows voters the freedom & flexibility of a touch screen and various accessibility features. AutoMARK uses the same optical scan paper ballots that all voters receive.

The AutoMARK Voting System is an optical scan ballot marker designed for use by people who are unable to personally mark an optical scan ballot due to physical impairments or language barriers. Any voter is allowed to use the AutoMARK Voting System.

Accessibility features, which can be used separately or simultaneously, include:

- Touch screen with a zoom feature that enables the voter to increase the font size of each race listed
- Multiple-language capability helps ensure that all citizens in a diverse population can exercise their right to vote
- Keypad marked with Braille
- Sip/puff tube for voters who are not able to use the touch screen or touch pad
- Audio function allows voters with impaired vision to listen to choices.

The AutoMARK Voting System prevents over-voting and users are prompted visually and audibly if they attempt to under-vote. AutoMARK Voting System is able to support write-in candidates.

Before any mark is made on the ballot, the voter is shown a verification screen where each race is displayed along with their selections. Under-voted races are clearly identified by different colors on the touch screen as well as the audio ballot prompt.

AutoMARK marks the optical scan ballot for the voter. The voter must then put their ballot in the optical scanner for tabulation.

[For an audio demonstration of the AutoMARK system click here.](#)

[For a video demonstration of the AutoMARK system click here.](#)