POLLING PLACE ACCESSIBILITY

Federal and state laws require that all polling places be accessible and usable by older adults or voters with disabilities

Minimum requirements for accessibility include:

1. Doorways

There must be one set of doors with a minimum width of 32 inches to go in or out the polling place



2. Curb Cuts

Any curb by the accessible entrance to a polling place must have curb cuts or temporary ramps



3. Main Entrance

If the main entrance is not the accessible entrance, a sign will be posted at the main entrance showing how to get to the accessible entrance



4. Handrails and Ramps

If stairs must be used to enter or leave the polling place, at least one set of stairs must have a temporary handrail and ramp



5. No Barriers

Barriers in the polling place cannot block the path to the voting booth



6. Parking

At least one accessible parking space must be available near the entrance of the polling place



7. Accessibility Standards

Handrails, ramps, doorway and parking must meet accessibility standards that are in the state building code



If you have a barrier when voting you can file a complaint:

https://www.sos.state.mn.us/media/1190/havaelections-complaint-form.pdf

You can also get help from the Minnesota Disability Law Center 612–334–5970

