

What are these barcodes for?

The bar codes on the ballots are for verifying the election date, ballot type, as well as for making sure no ballot is scanned and counted more than once. The codes on the back of the page let the scanner know that it is the second page of the same ballot.

Bar codes are created in a separate system from voter records and there is no way to trace from bar code data back to an individual voter.

<p>Sample Ballot 12000840100008</p> <p>000000001102</p>	<p>Official Ballot Benton County, Washington Special Election March 10, 2009</p> <p>Eligibility:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Eighteen years or over 2. Citizens of the United States 3. Dwell in the state, county, and precinct thirty days before the election 4. Have not been convicted of a felony, unless their civil rights have been restored 5. Have not been judicially declared mentally incompetent <p>All persons meeting the requirements shall be entitled to vote. If you have any questions regarding eligibility please call (509)736-3085 or (509)786-5618.</p> <p>If you are unable to vote in person, you may request a ballot by mail.</p> <p>How to correct a mistake: Draw a line through the entire candidate's name as shown below. You then have the option of making another choice.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Candidate 1 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Candidate 2 <input type="checkbox"/> write-in</p> <p>How to vote for a write-in: For a write-in candidate, fill in the write-in box and write the name of the candidate in the space provided.</p> <p>Do not mark your ballot: If you mark your ballot, it will not be counted. Refer to your secrecy envelope for additional instructions.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Precinct <i>SAMPLE</i></p> <p>Kennewick School District No. 17</p> <p>Kennewick School District No. 17 Proposition 1</p> <p>KENNEWICK SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17</p> <p>BONDS FOR CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION AND IMPROVEMENT OF SCHOOLS</p> <p>The Board of Directors of Kennewick School District No. 17, adopted Resolution No. 4, 2008-2009, concerning a proposition to finance school construction, renovation and improvement. This proposition would authorize the District to construct and equip a new elementary school on the Cottonwood Creek Site, renovate and expand Canyon View, Southgate, Sunset View and Cascade Elementary Schools, and make health, safety, educational and infrastructure improvements; issue no more than \$68,000,000 of general obligation bonds maturing within 21 years; and levy annual excess property taxes to repay the bonds, all as provided in Resolution No. 4, 2008-2009. Should this proposition be:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Rejected</p>	<p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">Sample Ballot</p> <p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">1643031106</p>
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Precinct Code
 Tells the scanning system which precinct the ballot is counted with.

Serial Number
 Allows the scanning system to verify that this ballot has not been counted more than once. Not traceable to an individual vote.

Election Code
 Verifies to the scanning system that the ballot is for the correct election