

# ROBESON COUNTY, NC BUFFER ZONE NOTICE

## 2026 PRIMARY ELECTION

The following is a list of Robeson County polling places and a description of each buffer zone concerning Election Day electioneering. As designated by G.S. 163-166.4(a), Robeson County Board of Elections shall, where practical, set the limit at 50 feet from the door of entrance to the voting place, measured when that door is closed, but in no event shall it set the limit at more than 50 feet or less than 25 feet.

NAME	LOCATION	ADDRESS	CITY, STATE, ZIP
Alfordsville	Evans Fire Department	3440 Elrod Rd	Maxton, NC 28364
Back Swamp	Southern Spirit Tribal Center	1872 Back Swamp Rd	Lumberton, NC 28358
Britt's Township	Fire Department	9495 BC 72 Hwy E	Lumberton, NC 28358
Burnt Swamp	Union Chapel Elem School Gym	4271 Union Chapel Rd	Pembroke, NC 28372
Fairmont	Fire Hall (Senior Center)	421 S Main St	Fairmont, NC 28340
Gaddy's	Gaddy's Township Vol Fire Dept	1022 Gerald Rd	Fairmont, NC 28340
East Howellsville	E Howellsville Fire Department	100 Pridgen Rd	Lumberton, NC 28358
West Howellsville	Northwoods Fire and Rescue	4213 Martin Rd	Lumberton, NC 28358
Lumber Bridge	Lumber Bridge Town Hall	220 Railroad St	Lumber Bridge, NC 28357
Lumberton #1	National Guard Armory	4502 Fayetteville Rd	Lumberton, NC 28358
Clybourn Pines	Soaring Eagle Tribal Bldg	422 Norment Rd	Lumberton, NC 28360
Lumberton #2	Bill Sapp Recreation Center	1100 Cedar St	Lumberton, NC 28358
Lumberton #3	Godwin Heights Community Bldg	1110 Mimosa St	Lumberton, NC 28358
Lumberton #4	East Lumberton Resource Bldg	1608 E 2 <sup>nd</sup> St	Lumberton, NC 28358
Lumberton #5	Pine Street Senior Citizen Bldg	801 N Pine St	Lumberton, NC 28358
Lumberton #6	South Lumberton Resource Center	1408 MLK, Jr. Dr	Lumberton, NC 28358
Lumberton #7	Maynor Resource Center	1702 W 5 <sup>th</sup> St	Lumberton, N 28358
Lumberton #8A	Lumberton Lions Club	1985 Carthage Rd	Lumberton, NC 28358
Maxton	Gilbert Patterson Public Library	210 N Florence St	Maxton, NC 28364
Orrum	Proctorville Community Bldg	106 Pine St	Proctorville, NC 28375
Parkton	Parkton Town Hall	28 W David Parnell St	Parkton, NC 28371
North Pembroke	Pembroke Rural Fire Dept	1398 Prospect Rd	Pembroke, NC 28372
South Pembroke	Pembroke Public Library	413 Blaine St	Pembroke, NC 28372
Philadelphus	Philadelphus Tribal Bldg	2715 Philadelphus Rd	Pembroke, NC 28372
Raft Swamp	OP Owens Building	455 Caton Rd	Lumberton, NC 28360
Red Springs	Community Building	122 Cross St	Red Springs, NC 28377
Rennert	Rennert Community Building	62 Park St	Shannon, NC 28368
Rowland	Rowland Train Depot	101 W Main St	Rowland, NC 28383
Saddletree	Four Winds Tribal Building	1073 Rennert Rd	Lumberton, NC 28360
St. Pauls	National Guard Armory of St Pauls	705 Old Stage Rd	St. Pauls, NC 28384
Shannon	Shannon Fire Department	14640 N NC HWY 71	Shannon, NC 28386
Oxendine	Oxendine Elementary School	5599 Oxendine Rd	Maxton, NC 28364
Prospect	Prospect Fire Department	3700 Missouri Rd	Maxton, NC 28364
Smyrna	Smyrna Fire Department	2910 Wire Grass Rd	Lumberton, NC 28358
Sterlings	Orrum Township Vol Fire Dept	7049 S Creek Rd	Orrum, NC 28369
Thompson	McDonald Municipal Bldg	4534 E McDonald Rd	Fairmont, NC 28340
Union	Union Elementary School Library	2547 NC 710 HWY S	Rowland, NC 28383
Whitehouse	Marietta Civic Center	2799 Marietta Rd	Marietta, NC 28362
Wisharts	Allenton Recreation Center	6721 NC HWY 211 E	Lumberton, NC 28358

Electioneering is allowed 50 feet from front door.

**ALL PRECINCTS ACCOMMODATE A 50 FEET BUFFER ZONE**

### **§ 163-166.4: Limitation on activity in the voting place and in a buffer zone**

**around it.** (a) Buffer Zone. – No person or group of persons shall hinder access, harass others, distribute campaign literature, place political advertising, solicit votes, or otherwise engage in

election-related activity in the voting place or in a buffer zone which shall be prescribed by the county board of elections around the voting place. In determining the dimensions of that buffer zone for each voting place, the county board of elections shall, where practical, set the limit at 50 feet from the door of entrance to the voting place, measured when that door is closed, but in no event shall it set the limit at more than 50 feet or at less than 25 feet. (b) Area for Election-Related Activity. – Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, the county board of elections shall also provide an area adjacent to the buffer zone for each voting place in which persons or groups of persons may distribute campaign literature, place political advertising, solicit votes, or otherwise engage in election-related activity. (c) Special Agreements About Election-Related Activity. – The Executive Director of the State Board may grant special permission for a county board of elections to enter into an agreement with the owners or managers of a nonpublic building to use the building as a voting place on the condition that election-related activity as described in subsection (b) of this section not be permitted on their property adjacent to the buffer zone, if the Executive Director finds all of the following: (1) That no other suitable voting place can be secured for the precinct. (2) That the county board will require the chief judge of the precinct to monitor the grounds around the voting place to ensure that the restriction on election-related activity shall apply to all candidates and parties equally. (3) That the pattern of voting places subject to agreements under this subsection does not disproportionately favor any party, racial or ethnic group, or candidate. An agreement under this subsection shall be valid for as long as the nonpublic building is used as a voting place. (d) Notice About Buffer Zone and Area for Election-Related Activity. – No later than 30 days before each election, the county board of elections shall make available to the public the following information concerning each voting place: (1) The door from which the buffer zone is measured. (2) The distance the buffer zone extends from that door. (3) Any available information concerning where political activity, including sign placement, is permitted beyond the buffer zone. (e) Buffer Zone and Area for Election-Related Activity at One-Stop Sites. – Except as modified in this subsection, the provisions of this section shall apply to one-stop voting sites in G.S. 163A-1300, 163A-1301, 163A-1302, 163A-1303, and 163A-1304. (1) Subsection (c) of this section shall not apply. (2) The notice in subsection (d) of this section shall be provided no later than 10 days before the opening of one-stop voting at the site. (2001-460, s. 3; 2003-365, s. 1; 2007-391, s. 13; 2008-187, s. 33(a); 2009-541, s. 22(a); 2017-6, s. 3.)

**Curbside Voting Area** Numbered Memo 2016-17: Curbside voting has expanded significantly across the state in recent years, posing logistical challenges for elections administrators working to apply critical elections processes to a curbside context. State law requires that county boards of election, where practical, establish a buffer zone at 50' from the door to the entrance of the voting place, and no less than 25' feet from the door. G.S. § 163-166.4(a). State Board members have repeatedly stressed the need for comparable protections for curbside voters. We understand that certain voting locations may not logistically accommodate a curbside buffer as described in G.S. § 163-166.4(a). The county's effort should be to effectuate the legislature's intent to protect voters from intimidation and campaign activity during the check-in and voting process. Electioneers are not permitted to approach vehicles in the curbside voting areas.