10 FACTS ELECTION SECURITY

01.



No Successful Attacks

No election system or voting system in the state has ever been the target of a successful cyberattack.



Paper Ballots

Under state law, all counties use paper ballots, producing a paper trail that can be easily audited or recounted.

No Internet or Modems





Voter Photo ID

All voters are asked to show <u>photo ID</u> when they check in to vote. This verifies the person wishing to vote is the registered voter on the registration rolls.

04.

Partnerships



Elections officials work with federal and state governments, who assist with <u>cybersecurity</u>, plan for election events, and respond to incidents.

06.



Bipartisan, Trained Officials

Every polling place is staffed with bipartisan, trained officials from the local community who take an oath to uphold state elections laws.



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Voting Equipment Testing

Before every election, the county boards of elections test every <u>voting machine</u> that will be used to ensure proper configuration of ballots and accurate counting of votes for every contest.



By state law, voting machines may not be connected to the internet, limiting possible

cyber interference. No NC voting machine contains a modem or modem chip.



Investigations Division

NC is one of few states with a dedicated <u>Investigations Division</u>, staffed by experienced professionals who investigate reports of fraud and other irregularities and refer substantiated cases to prosecutors.

09.

Post-Election Audits

After every election and before results are certified, election officials <u>conduct audits</u> designed to detect irregularities and ensure voting machines accurately counted the results.

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Certified Voting Systems

All <u>voting systems</u> used in North Carolina meet federal regulations and are certified by the State Board of Elections after extensive testing and public demonstrations and must be approved by county officials before purchase.

Voters should always get election information from trusted sources, particularly elections officials, and verify information about elections before sharing it on social media. For accurate, up-to-date election information, visit **www.ncsbe.gov**.

