

**117.0552 Procedure for establishing precincts.**

- (1) As used in KRS 117.055 to 117.0555 and KRS 117.0557, "establish a precinct" shall include the following:
  - (a) Creating a new precinct;
  - (b) Dividing one (1) precinct into two (2) or more precincts;
  - (c) Combining two (2) or more precincts into one (1) precinct; and
  - (d) Altering a boundary line between two (2) or more precincts.
- (2) Each county board of elections shall establish precincts by issuing a proposed precinct establishment order. Each proposed precinct establishment order shall be submitted to the executive director of the State Board of Elections for approval.
- (3) The order prescribed in subsection (2) of this section shall include:
  - (a) A written description of the boundaries of each precinct to be established;
  - (b) A digital precinct boundary file, submitted in an ESRI ArcGIS Shapefile or file geodatabase format, that has been georeferenced to the Kentucky State Place Coordinate System in accordance with KRS 1.020 clearly showing the boundaries of each precinct to be established;
  - (c) The estimated number of registered voters in each precinct to be established; and
  - (d) Any additional information which may be required by an administrative regulation adopted by the State Board of Elections under KRS Chapter 13A for the purposes of assuring compliance with KRS 117.055 to 117.0555 and KRS 117.0557.
- (4) If a proposed precinct establishment order includes a description of a precinct with a boundary that follows the boundary of an entity referred to in KRS 117.0551(1), the order shall include the following:
  - (a) A description that precisely identifies the boundary line; and
  - (b) A digital precinct boundary file of the precinct indicating that the boundary is that of an entity referred to in KRS 117.0551(1) and naming the specific entity.
- (5) If a proposed precinct establishment order includes a description of a precinct boundary that follows one or more visible features as described in KRS 117.0551(2)(a), the order shall include:
  - (a) A reference map that corresponds to a detailed description that precisely identifies each feature that forms the precinct boundary; and
  - (b) A digital precinct boundary file that includes the visible features.

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