Online Voting for Your Florida HOA: Simplified & Compliant

SBS Survey & Ballot systems

Florida HOAs are embracing the shift to online voting! With the recent changes to Florida law (§ 720.317), you can make your elections more accessible and convenient while meeting all legal requirements. Here's what you need to know – and how Survey & Ballot Systems (SBS) ensures your success in implementing an online voting system.

WHAT FLORIDA LAW REQUIRES FOR ONLINE VOTING

Member Consent

Members must provide written or electronic consent to vote online. Once given, consent remains valid indefinitely unless the member explicitly withdraws it.

F.S. § 720.317(1)(b)

Board Approval & Notice

Your HOA board must pass a resolution authorizing online voting.

Notice of the meeting where the board will vote on implementing online voting must be provided to all unit owners at least 14 days in advance and prominently displayed on the association property.

F.S. § 720.303(2)(c)

Technology Compatibility

Members must have the chance to confirm that their devices can access the online voting system at least 14 days before the voting deadline, ensuring adequate time to resolve any technical issues.

F.S. § 720.317(1)(a)2

Online Voting System Requirements for Florida HOAs

Under Florida Statute § 720.317, online voting systems must meet specific standards to ensure secure and fair elections.

Authentication

Verify the identity of each voter to confirm they are eligible.

Vote Validation and Receipts

Ensure votes are accurately recorded and provide a receipt to each voter as confirmation.

Ballot Security

Store electronic ballots securely to allow for recounts or reviews if necessary.

Secure authentication prevents duplicate voting and voter fraud.

Data Protection

Use encryption to safeguard voting data and prevent unauthorized access.

Strict access controls are required to ensure that only authorized individuals can access voting records.

SBS software guarantees that no one, including administrators, can view what individual members voted for.

Audit Logs

Maintain records of all system interactions to ensure transparency and accountability.

Record Retention

Keep voting records for the required time to support audits or legal reviews.

How SBS Makes Online Voting Compliance Easy

With decades of experience managing secure, transparent elections, we provide an online voting system that checks every box – so you can rest assured that your online voting is secure and transparent.

Member-Friendly Consent Options

- Easily gather electronic consent with our optional services, designed to simplify the opt-in process.

Reliable Record-Keeping

- Ballots stored securely for audits and recounts.
- Comprehensive logs to track and validate election participation.

Industry-Leading Security

- Multi-layer voter authentication.
- End-to-end encryption to protect votes.
- Automatic receipts for voting confirmation.
- Anonymous ballots for secret elections.

Device Compatibility Checks & Dedicated Support

- Admins can use test logins to verify compatibility.
- Members have the option to test their own devices for a smooth voting experience.

Ready to make voting easier for your HOA elections?

Contact us today to learn how our online voting system can make your elections secure, complaint, and effortless.

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HOA Election

To cast a vote:
- Check the box next to a candidate name or the write-in, selection if present.
- To change your vote, click the box again, and the mark will be removed.
- To review candidate information, click the "View All" link for each office or click on each candidate name.
- To review your selections, click the "Go to Ballot Confirmation" button.
- You may save your ballot and return later by clicking "Logout".

Board of Directors
Vote for One

1 of 1 selected.

☐ John Doe

☑ Jane Doe

Click the "Go to Ballot Confirmation" to review and submit your votes.

Go to Ballot Confirmation

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