

WHY YOU WILL BE CAUGHT IF YOU TRY TO CHEAT?

GECOM has put in place several measures for identifying persons who may attempt to cheat at the General and Regional Elections.

As an ordinary voter, the measures that apply to you directly relate, among other things, to:

- your identification as a voter,
- the use of indelible ink, and
- the presence of Party Agents.

If you try to cheat at the 2025 General and Regional Elections, YOU WILL BE CAUGHT. When you are caught, you will be prosecuted in court and, if found guilty, YOU WILL BE SEVERELY PENALISED.

ELECTION OFFENCES

Illegal activities aimed at undermining the electoral process or violating election laws.

- Multiple voting Such as trying to vote more than once.
- Bribery Offering or accepting money or favors to vote for a certain Political Party.
- Pressuring or threatening voters to vote in a certain way or to abstain from voting.
- Campaign Violations Political campaigning or advertising within restricted zones (200 yards of a Polling Station).
- Misleading electors about candidates or the election process.

- Impersonation: casting a vote as someone else or using someone else's identification.
- Interfering with Election Officials, obstructing or threatening election workers.
- Violating Polling Place Regulations such as attempting to vote before the poll is officially opened or after it is officially closed.
- Damaging Electoral materials, and by removing or defacing official signs and notices.
- Printing or having unauthorised possession of a ballot or other election material without lawful authority.
- Tampering with a ballot box.
- Spreading hate speech and organizing election related violence.

NOTE:

A voter, a candidate, an Election Official or Security personnel can be prosecuted for committing election offences.

REPORTING ELECTION OFFENCES

Call to the attention of the Presiding Officer and, if necessary, give a written account of the occurrence of an offence to the Returning Officer for your Electoral District.





VOTING PROCESS

ELECTION OFFENCES

General and Regional
Elections
will be held on
1st September, 2025





VOTING PROCESS X





Arrival and Identification

Present your national Identification card to the Election Official. However, if you are using your Passport or Driver's Licence to identify yourself, **OR** if you do not have any of these documents, you will have to take an Oath of identity before being allowed to vote.





Verification of Information

Your name is checked and verified in the Official List of Electors.

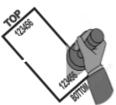




Checking of Fingers

Your fingers are checked for the presence of electoral ink to determine if you have already voted.





Issuance of **Ballot**

Ensure that the back of your ballot is stamped at the top and bottom sections in your presence before it is given to you. Listen carefully to the instructions given to you.





Marking the Ballot

Go to the polling booth and mark your ballot.

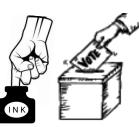




Folding of Ballot to show the **Official Mark**

Go to the Ballot Clerk with the ballot folded so that the Official mark is visible on both sides.





Staining of the Finger and **Depositing of Ballot**

Stain your right index finger and deposit your ballot in the ballot box.





Departure

Depart the Polling Station peacefully.













