

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT RANKED CHOICE VOTING



From 2021, NYC will use a new voting system called Ranked Choice Voting (RCV). It was introduced to give voters more say in who gets elected.

Make sure you read this information so that you complete a valid ballot.

RCV will be used in primary and special elections for local offices: Mayor, Public Advocate, Comptroller, Borough President, and City Council.

HOW DOES RCV WORK?

You can rank up to 5 candidates in order of preference, instead of choosing just one. Or you can still vote for just one candidate if you prefer.

HOW TO FILL OUT YOUR BALLOT

Rank up to 5 candidates in order of preference

- 1 Pick your first-choice candidate and completely fill in the oval next to their name under the 1st column.
- 2 If you have a second-choice candidate, fill in the oval next to their name under the 2nd column.
- 3 You can rank up to 5 candidates. You can still choose to vote for only one candidate if you prefer. Ranking other candidates does not harm your first choice.

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IMPORTANT TIPS – AVOID THESE MISTAKES:

Do not rank a candidate more than once. If you do, only your top ranking for them will count.

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Do not give multiple candidates the same ranking. If you choose more than one candidate as your first choice, your ballot will not be valid.