

Register to observe 2024 National & Provincial Elections

Individuals who wish to be election observers must ensure that they are **18 years of age** or above and that they are **registered to vote** in the 2024 National & Provincial Elections.

To participate as a volunteer election observer under the Election Watch campaign, organizations need to follow these steps:

(1) Apply for observer accreditation status for your organization from the IEC

- Visit election.org.za
- Enter information required in fields i.e. Organization name, address, email, telephone, registration number & founding date. Coordinator's full names, ID Number, contact number, email address, cell phone & telephone number.
- Once all fields have been completed, insert the following in documents:
 - *Organization logo
 - *Organization constitution
 - *Organization's statement of affirmation & reasons for application to observe elections
 - *Submit the form and note your 'Reference number' which will pop-up on your screen

*A confirmation email will be sent to you

(2) To register as organization on Election Watch's portal

- Visit Defendourdemocracy.co.za and click on 'To Register click here' on the home page
- Select the 'Connect now' tab
- Under 'Organization registration' click on the blue tab labelled 'Register'
- Create an account with your email address and password of choice

NB Password must include: * a special character * a number * 8 characters or more*

- Verify creation of the account on the email address you entered
- Proceed to entering the following details: Organization status, registration number, Organization name, street address. Entity representative full names, ID number, email address, mobile number & designation
- Draft a short message detailing why your organization would like to observe elections
- Enter an 'Expected number of observers' & their geographic spread
- To submit, click 'Preview form' and then 'Submit'

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(3) To register as an individual on Election Watch's portal

- Visit Defendourdemocracy.co.za and click on 'To Register click here' on the home page
- To register select 'Connect now'
- On the right, under 'Individual volunteer' click on the blue tab labelled 'APPLY HERE'
- Upload a picture of your ID Card
- Complete the registration form with the following details: Full names, ID number, street address, municipality, previous observer experience & attestation
- Submit form & enter the OTP that will be sent to your phone number

It is important to note that all observers **MUST receive accreditation from the IEC** to observe elections and participate in the Election Watch campaign. Failure to apply with the IEC and register on Election Watch will lead to your organization not participating in the entire campaign.

For more information on registration or to resolve queries, please contact:

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