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## Signature Verification

Signature verification is the process of examining the signature on the voter's ballot return envelope to compare with that voter's signature saved in Colorado's secure, statewide voter registration database (SCORE). Signature verification ensures that only those individuals eligible to vote have their vote counted. It also allows Colorado voters the convenience of voting by mail.

If a signature discrepancy is detected, a specially-trained, bipartisan team of election judges can compare the signature on the current ballot envelope to the voter's entire signature history in SCORE to determine if it is a match. Signatures on file include those from the voter's previous ballot return envelopes, voter registration forms, and Colorado Driver License record.

Voter's whose signatures cannot be verified are contacted to provide additional identification to "cure" the signature before the ballot may be counted. By law, voters have until 8 days after Election Day to cure their signature for their ballot to be counted.

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