



**NEW HAMPSHIRE SECRETARY OF STATE  
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**Audit Procedures**

**Top-of-the-Ticket Audits of State Representative Recounted Races**

RSA 660:17-b requires that, for general election recounts of state representative races, the secretary of state's office shall, in addition to recounting the state representative race, randomly select 10 of the state representative races to conduct an audit of the votes cast on those ballots for President, United States Senate, United States House of Representatives, or Governor. The Secretary of State will select the office to be audited.

The audits as well as their times will be published on the Secretary of State's website. If selected for an audit, the posted time for the audit and the associated state representative recount will be the same. All election materials will be opened during the audit for each candidate or designee and the public to observe. After the completion of each audit, the recount of the associated state representative race will immediately begin (RSA 660:17-c).

The audit procedures for the selected race will follow the state general election recount procedures for sorting ballots and sections 1 – 5 for counting ballots.

The Secretary of State will announce the results of each audit and publish the results of the audit on the Secretary of State's website.