



EDODECIDEDES 2024 COLLATION PROCESS OF GOVERNORSHIP ELECTION STEP BY STEP GUIDE

COLLATION AT REGISTRATION AREA (RA)/WARD LEVEL	COLLATION OF RESULTS AT LGA LEVEL	FINAL COLLATION AND DECLARATION OF RESULTS AT STATE LEVEL
<p>The Registration Area/Ward Collation Officer shall:</p> <p>Step 1: Take delivery of the original copies of Forms EC8A, EC8A(I), and EC8A(II) for the Presidential, Senatorial and the House of Representatives Elections, respectively, including EC40H(I) and EC40G(PU) where applicable.</p> <p>Step 2: Take delivery of the original copies of Forms EC8A and EC8A(I) for Governorship and the State Houses of Assembly elections, respectively;</p> <p>Step 3: Take delivery of Forms EC8A and EC8A(I) for the Area Council Chairmanship and Councillorship elections of the Federal Capital Territory (FCT) respectively;</p>	<p>The Local Government Area/Area Council Collation Officer in charge of Collation of Governorship Election shall:</p> <p>Step 1: Take delivery of all the original copies of Forms EC8B from the Registration Area/Ward Collation Officers together with other materials and reports relating to the election including the Forms EC40(G) and EC40H(II), if any;</p> <p>Step 2: Collate the results for the Governorship election by entering the votes in the original form EC8B into form EC8C, in figures and words;</p> <p>Step 3: Add up the RA/Ward results to get the LGA summary;</p>	<p>The State Collation/Returning Officer for the Governorship shall:</p> <p>Step 1: Take delivery of the original copies of form EC8C from the Local Government Area Collation Officers together with other materials and reports relating to the election including form EC40G(I) and EC40H(III), where available;</p> <p>Step 2: Collate the votes scored by each Political Party from forms EC8C into form EC8D by entering the votes scored in both words and figures in the spaces provided;</p> <p>Step 3: Add up the LGA results to obtain the State summary;</p> <p>Step 4: Crosscheck the totals of entries in</p>



<p>Step 4: Receive the BVAS from the respective Presiding Officers in tamper-proof envelopes and inspect to ensure that the envelope/content have not been tampered with;</p> <p>Step 5: With the help of Registration Area Technical Support Staff (RATECH), if required, open the image of Form EC8A in the BVAS and compare the number of voters verified by the BVAS with the number of accredited voters and the total votes cast for the Polling Unit as contained in the physical Form EC8A brought by Presiding Officer for each Polling Unit;</p> <p>Step 6: Receive and consider, if any, the reports of anomalies, adverse incidents, and equipment failure from the Presiding Officers including reports of where polls are either cancelled or not held;</p> <p>Step 7: Request the Presiding Officer to loudly announce the scores of the political parties;</p>	<p>Step 4: Crosscheck the totals and entries in EC8C with the Collation Support and Result Verification System (CSRVS) Secretariat for computational accuracy where applicable;</p> <p>Step 5: Announce loudly the votes scored by each Political Party;</p> <p>Step 6: Sign, date and stamp the Form EC8C and request the polling agents to countersign;</p> <p>Step 7: Transfer the total number of Collected PVCs of Polling Units where elections were not held or were cancelled for the respective RAs/Wards from Forms EC40G into Form EC40G(II);</p> <p>Step 8: Hand over the Electoral Operation copy (top copy) of Form EC8C to the designated INEC official</p> <p>Step 9: Distribute copies of the Form to the polling agents or candidates and the Police;</p>	<p>form EC8D with the Collation Support and Result Verification System (CSRVS) Secretariat for computational accuracy where available;</p> <p>Step 5: Transfer the total number of Collected PVCs of Polling Units, where elections were not held or cancelled from forms EC40G(I) into form EC40G(II), in respect of all LGAs;</p> <p>Step 6: Compare the total number of voters on Form EC40G(II) with the Margin of Lead between the two leading candidates;</p> <p>Step 7: If the Margin of Lead is in excess of the figure recorded in Form EC40G(II), proceed to enter the scores of the candidates in Form EC8E for the declaration of the Governorship Election Results.</p> <p>Step 8: Announce loudly the votes scored by each political party;</p> <p>Step 9: Sign, date and stamp the Form EC8D and request the polling agents or</p>
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<p>Step 8: Request Polling Agents to make observations, if any. Where there is an observation see Note 29a overleaf, otherwise proceed to Step 9.</p> <p>Step 9: Submit the BVAS to the respective Supervisory Presiding Officers (SPOs), in tamper-proof envelopes;</p> <p>Step10: Collate the votes entered in Forms EC8A, EC8A(I) and EC8A(II), for the Presidential, Senatorial and House of Representatives Elections, respectively;</p> <p>Step 11: Collate the votes entered in Forms EC8A and EC8A(I) for Governorship and State Houses of Assembly Elections, respectively;</p> <p>Step 12: Collate the votes entered in form EC8A and EC8A(I) for Area Council Chairmen and Councillorship elections, respectively;</p> <p>Step 13: Add up the polling unit results to get the RA/Ward summary.</p>	<p>Step 10: Complete the PWD Status Form EC40H(III) using EC40H(II);</p> <p>Step 11: Implement any other result management procedure as prescribed by the Commission with the assistance of the Collation Support and Result Verification System (CSRVS) or RATECH</p> <p>Step 12: Electronically transmit or transfer the result directly to the next level of collation as prescribed by the Commission;</p> <p>Step 13: Complete the Publication of Result of Poll Poster; EC60E and display it at the Collation Centre; and</p> <p>Step 14: Submit the original copy of form EC8C to the Governorship Collation Officer at the State/FCT Collation Centre together with other materials and reports relating to the election, including forms EC40G(I) and EC40H(III), where applicable.</p>	<p>candidates to countersign;</p> <p>Step 10: Handover the Electoral Operations copy (top copy) of Form EC8D to the Resident Electoral Commissioner;</p> <p>Step 11: Distribute copies of form EC8D to Polling Agents and the Police;</p> <p>Step 12: Complete Form EC8E, sign, date, stamp and declare the result of the Governorship election and return the candidate who:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Has the majority of valid votes cast at the election; and ii. Has not less than one-quarter of the valid votes cast at the election in each of at least two- thirds of all the LGAs in the State; <p>Step13: Handover the Electoral Operations copy (top copy) of Form EC8E to the Resident Electoral Commissioner;</p> <p>Step 14: Distribute copies of Form EC8E to Polling Agents or candidates of each political party in the election and the</p>
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<p>Step 14: Enter the votes in both figures and words in the appropriate spaces in Forms EC8B, EC8B(I) and EC8B(II), as the case may be;</p> <p>Step15: Announce loudly the votes scored by each political party</p> <p>Step 16: Complete the Forms (EC8B, EC8B(I) and EC8B(II)) as required, date and sign same and get the Polling Agents to countersign;</p> <p>Step 17: Complete Form EC40G using Form EC40G(PU) for Polling Units, where election is cancelled or not held;</p> <p>Step 18: Hand over the Electoral Operations copy (top copy) of Form EC8B to the INEC RA Supervisor;</p> <p>Step 19: Distribute copies of each of the Forms EC8B, or EC8B(I) and EC8B(II), to each Polling Agent and the Police;</p> <p>Step 20: Complete the PWD Status Form EC40H(II) using Form EC40H(I)</p>		<p>Police;</p> <p>Step15: Complete the PWD Status EC40H(IV), using the EC40H(III) where applicable;</p> <p>Step 16: Complete the Publication of Result of Poll Poster; EC60E and display it at the Collation Centre; and</p> <p>Step 17: Submit to the State Resident Electoral Commissioner the original copy of Form EC8D and the Declaration of Result Form (EC8E) together with other election materials including Forms EC40G(II) and EC40H(IV) where applicable.</p>
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<p>Step 21: Take custody of the original copies of Forms EC8B, EC8B(I) and EC8B(II) together with other materials and equipment and reports (if any) received from Presiding Officers at the election and deliver same to the LGA Collation Centre;</p> <p>Step 22: Implement any other result management procedure as prescribed by the Commission with the assistance of the Collation Support and Result Verification System (CSRVS) Officer or RA TechSS, where applicable;</p> <p>Step 23: Electronically transmit or transfer the result directly to the next level of collation as prescribed by the Commission; and</p> <p>Step 24: Complete the Publication of Result of Poll Poster; EC. 60E and display it at the Collation Centre</p>		
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