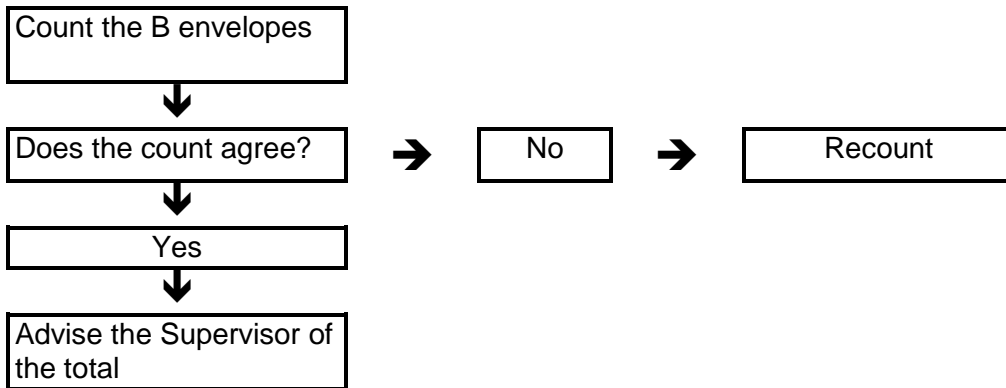


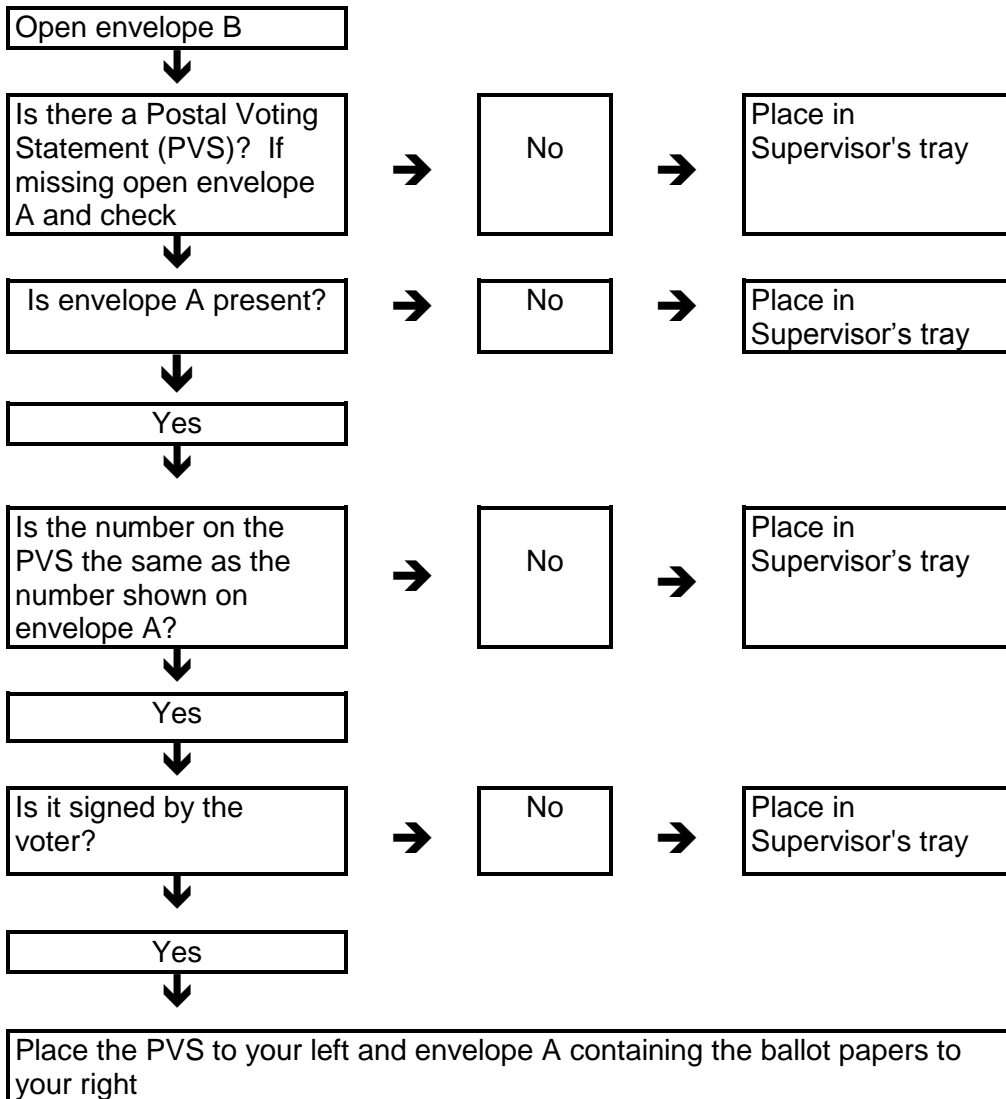
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STAGE 1 - VERIFICATION

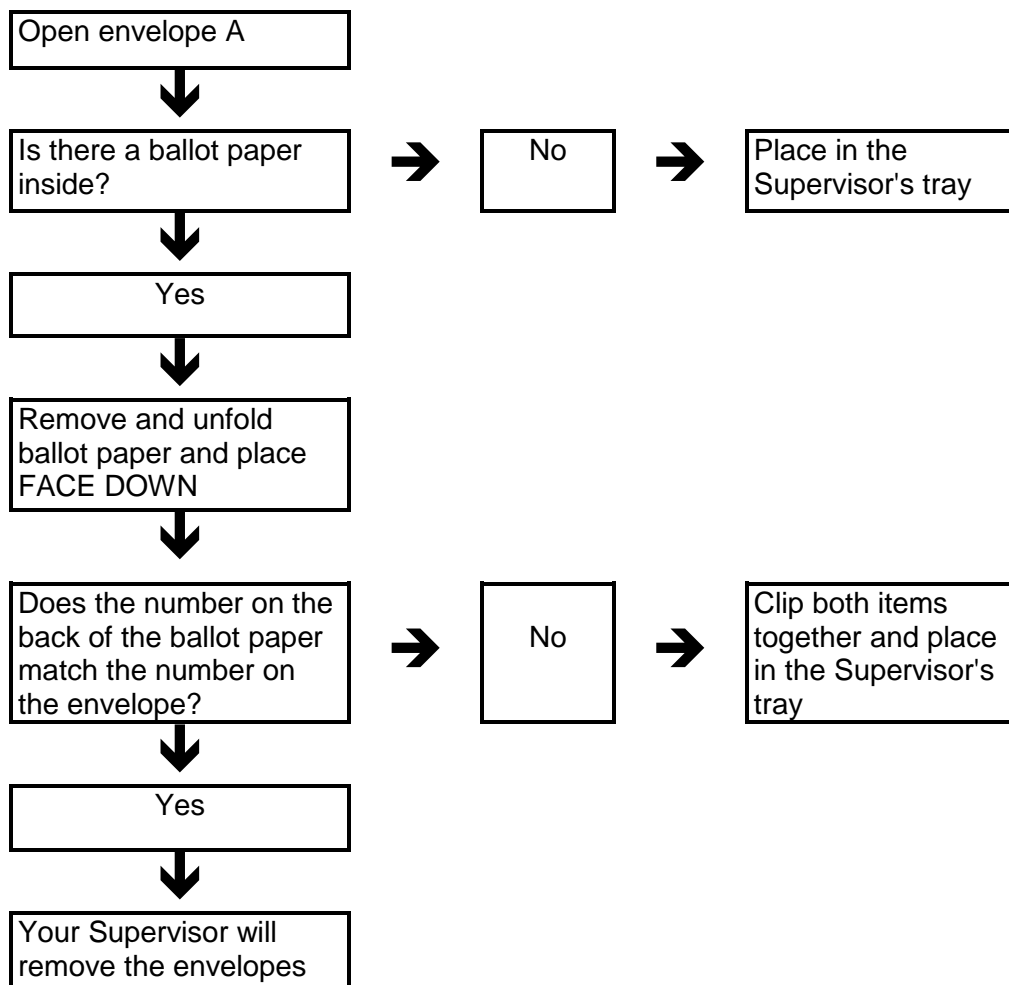


STAGE 2 – OPENING AND CHECKING POSTAL VOTERS' ENVELOPES



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STAGE 3 – OPENING THE BALLOT PAPER ENVELOPE



STAGE 4 – COUNTING THE BALLOT PAPERS

