



Universal Ballot Template



What is the Universal Ballot Template (UBT)?

The UBT is a voting aid made of hard, black plastic into which a ballot paper is inserted. The right front of the template has a flap which has cut-out windows numbered in Braille and in large, raised white print. When the ballot paper is inserted into the template, each window aligns to a particular candidate or party and the voter is free to make his or her secret and independent mark accurately.

Who can use the UBT?

- Blind and partially-sighted people
- Low-vision users
- People who are dyslexic
- The elderly
- People with low literacy
- People with motor and nervous conditions that do not allow for a steady hand

When can the UBT be used?

- National and Provincial Elections
- Local Government Elections
- By-elections

Can the UBT be used for special votes?

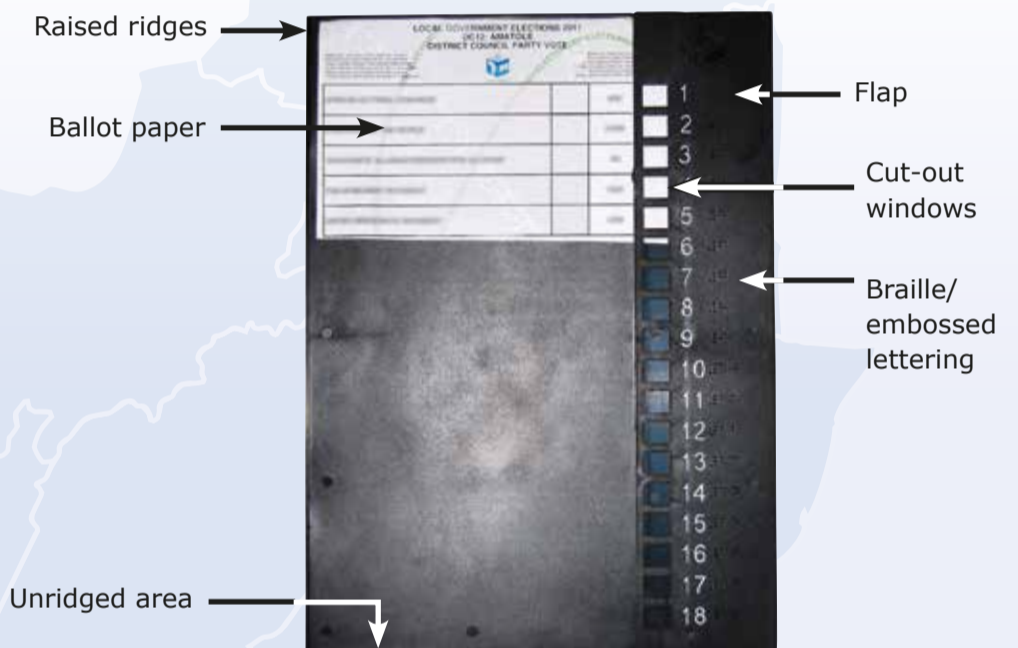
Yes, it can be used at the voting station and for home visits.

Assistance to make your mark

Voters with disabilities or special needs may ask for assistance from a companion to mark their ballot paper(s).

Such a companion must be:

- Eighteen (18) years or older
- Not a party agent, candidate or observer



For more information

National office IEC call centre

Tel: 012 622 5700 Fax: 012 622 5784 0800 11 8000 (during the election)

www.elections.org.za

South African National Council for the Blind (SANCB)

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