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select an alternative meeting place. In the city of New York, the board of elections shall designate such polling places and alternate registration places if the polling place cannot be used for voter registration on Saturdays.

- 1-a. Each polling place shall be accessible to citizens with disabilities and comply with the accessibility guidelines of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. The state board of elections shall publish and distribute to each board of elections with the power to designate poll sites, a concise, non-technical guide describing standards for poll site accessibility, including a polling site access survey instrument, in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act accessibility guidelines (ADAAG) and methods to comply with such standards. Such guide and procedures shall be developed in consultation with persons, groups or entities with knowledge about public access as the state board of elections shall determine appropriate.
- 1-b. The county board of elections shall cause an access survey to be conducted for every polling site to verify substantial compliance with the accessibility standards cited in this section. Completed surveys shall be submitted to the state board of elections and kept on file as a public record by each county. Each polling site shall be evaluated prior to its designation or upon changes to the facility. A site designated as a polling place prior to the effective date of this subdivision shall be evaluated within two years of the effective date of this subdivision by an individual qualified to determine whether or not such site meets the existing state and federal accessibility standards. Any polling place deemed not to meet the existing accessibility standards must make necessary changes and/or modifications, or be moved to a verified accessible polling place within six months.
- 1–c. The state board of elections shall promulgate any rules and regulations necessary to implement the provisions of this section.
- 2. If the board of elections, after designating a polling place, and after sending written notice of such polling place to each registered voter, designates an alternative polling place, it must, at least five days before the next election or day for registration, send by mail a written notice to each registered voter notifying him of the changed location of such polling