

Exercising Your Right to Vote 2020

What are the Requirements to Vote in Virginia?

- Register to vote in Virginia
- Be a citizen of the USA
- Be a Virginia Resident
- Be at least 18 years old
- Provide your Social Security Number
- Have a valid ID (See the ID Requirements in VA Fact Sheet)

What Prevents You From Voting in Virginia?

- Being registered to vote in another state
- Being declared mentally incompetent by a judge
- Having a felony conviction (You can apply to have your right to vote restored, see Restoration of Voting Rights Fact Sheet)

How do you vote?

Step 1 – Register to Vote

You Can Register to Vote at:

- Your Local Voter Registration Office
- The Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV)
- Public Libraries
- Department of Rehabilitation Services (DRS)
- Centers for Independent Living (CIL)
- Voter Registration Drives
- State or Local Government Office when applying for TANF, SNAP, WIC, Medicaid, or Rehabilitation Services
- Online at elections.virginia.gov/registration/how-to-register

The Registration Deadline:

You must register to vote in the November 2020 Presidential Election by Tuesday, October 13, 2020. If you need to make changes to your current voter registration, those must also be made by Oct. 13th, 2020.

You Can Check Your Voter Registration at vote.elections.virginia.gov/VoterInformation

Make sure you are registered at your current address.

Step 2 – Decide How You Will Vote

Because of Coronavirus, there are 4 possible ways to vote in the Nov. 2020 election.

Remember that, as an individual with a disability, you are entitled to assistance if you need it, no matter which of the 4 forms of voting you choose.

All VA Voting Options require a form of ID:

Virginia no longer requires a photo ID to vote. But one of the following forms of ID is required:

- Voter registration confirmation documents
- A Virginia Driver's License (even if expired)
- A U.S. Passport
- Any other ID issued by the state of Virginia or by the United States Government
- Any photo employee ID
- Any student ID from a VA private school or a US institution of higher education
- A copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, or other government document so long as it lists your name and address

If you don't have any of these forms of ID, you can still vote if you sign a legal statement certifying your identity. With no ID and no certified statement of identity, you will be given a provisional ballot, which allows you more time to provide an ID.

1. **Voting in Person**

To vote in person, find your polling place. One way to find your polling place is by using the Virginia Department of Elections Citizen Portal at vote.elections.virginia.gov/VoterInformation.

2. **Curbside Voting**

If you are 65 or older or have a physical disability, you can also go to your polling location on Election Day for curbside voting. Curbside voting is voting from your car. The Virginia Department of Elections recommends that you bring someone with you if you want to vote curbside so that your helper can go into the polling place to request curbside assistance.

3. **Absentee Voting**

Voting absentee allows you to vote by mail or in person before Election Day. Learn more about absentee voting with our Absentee Voting Fact Sheet.

- If you are hospitalized or experience the death of a family member that prevents you from applying for an absentee ballot or prevents you from voting in person, you can apply for an Emergency Absentee Ballot. For more information see, elections.virginia.gov/casting-a-ballot/absentee-voting.

4. Absentee Satellite Sites

Local Registrar Offices always serve as in person absentee voting locations. Due to Coronavirus, some localities are also offering additional locations you can vote absentee in person called Absentee Satellite Sites. Contact your Local Registrar to see if there are any Absentee Satellite Sites near you.

Step 3 – Vote!

Your voice matters! The disability vote is a swing vote.

Make your voice heard this Election Day, Tuesday, November 3rd, from 6am-7pm.

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