



Conducting a Voter Registration Drive in Pennsylvania

Voter Registration Deadline

Applications must be received by 15 days before Election Day.

Getting Started

Training Requirement: Pennsylvania does not require training for registration drives.

Notification and Registration Requirements: Pennsylvania does not have notification requirements for registration drives.

Compensation Restrictions: It is illegal to pay registration drive participants based on how many registrations they collect.

Obtaining Applications

State Form: Voter registration applications may be obtained from the [Secretary of State's website](#). Pennsylvania application forms are available for free through the Department of State. To request copies of the Voter Registration Application email ST-VOTERREG@pa.gov or call 1-877-868-3772. Be sure to include the number of voter registration forms you want.

Federal Form: Voter registration organizations are asked to use Pennsylvania specific application forms, but may also use the [federal voter registration application](#).

Web API: Pennsylvania's online voter registration [system](#) accepts applications from voters who can provide an electronic signature, even if they do not have a driver's license. The state has developed a WebAPI for organizations, who must register with the Department of State's Bureau of Commissions, Elections and Legislation in order to use it at <https://paovrwebapi.votespa.com/SUREWebAPIAdmin/>. More information is available [here](#).

Photocopying Blank Forms: Blank applications may be photocopied and used in voter registration drives, but printed forms must meet paper quality standards set by the Secretary of State's office.

Handling Applications

Incomplete Applications: Do not fill in any missing information on a registration form unless you have permission from the applicant. Any person who assists in the completion of a registration application must sign the application and indicate the person's address.

Photocopying Completed Applications: As a best practice, a voter's full or partial Social Security number and/or driver's license number should not be retained.

Submitting Completed Applications: Completed voter registration applications must be submitted to the voter's [County Voter Registration Office](#).

The Secretary of State recommends that voter registration organizations submit completed applications as they are received.

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