



NONPROFIT VOTE STATE FACT SHEET CALIFORNIA



VOTER FAQs:

WHAT SHOULD I KNOW TO BE REGISTERED TO VOTE?

- **How Old Do I Need to Be?** 18 years-old by election, you can pre-register at 16 or 17 years old
- **Can I Register Online?** Yes, if you have a state issued ID, else register on paper
- **I Have a Felony Record, Can I Still Register?** Yes, voting rights are restored after completion of sentence/parole
- **I Am Homeless, How Do I Register?** Use the address or cross streets for wherever you sleep
- **Where Do I Register in Person?** DMV office, post office, public libraries and government offices.
- **Is there a residency requirement?** No, but if becoming a resident less than 15 days before election must visit election office at least 7 days before election to become eligible to vote in election
- **Do I need ID to register in-person?** Need license or ID, but can use last 4 of SSN. If you don't have any form, the elections office will assign a number to identify you as a voter

WHAT SHOULD I KNOW ABOUT VOTING IN-PERSON?

- **Do I Need ID to Vote?** Required if voting for the first time and did not provide license, ID or SSN. Can use utility bill, passport or student ID
- **When Can I Vote?** See the Important Dates.
- **Where Can I Find My Polling Place?** See the State Voter Portal.
- **I Have a Disability, Are Polling Places Accessible to Me?** Yes, polling places are accessible

WHAT SHOULD I KNOW ABOUT VOTING BY MAIL?

- **Who Can Vote By Mail?** All registered voters in California will receive a vote-by-mail ballot in the mail prior to the election.
- **How Do I Return My Ballot?** By mail (paid postage), in person to polling place or county election official, a ballot drop box, or authorizing someone to return on your behalf
- **When is My Ballot Due?** Vote-by-mail ballots that are mailed must be post-marked on or before Election Day and received by your county elections office no later than 7 days after Election Day.
- **How Do I Track My Ballot?** See the State Voter Portal.
- **I Have a Disability, Can I Use Assistance?** Yes, you may request assistance



IMPORTANT DATES

Early Voting Period: Contact your county elections office

Election date: Nov 8

Registration deadline: Oct 24

Vote by Mail request deadline: Nov 1



HELPFUL LINKS

Register to Vote Online:
registertovote.ca.gov

State Voter Portal:
voterstatus.sos.ca.gov

County Elections Offices:
www.sos.ca.gov/elections/voting-resources/county-elections-offices/

Forms of Voter ID:
elections.cdn.sos.ca.gov/regulations/hava_id_regs_from_barclays_3_3_06.pdf



PRINTABLE FORMS

State Registration Forms:
Call to request paper forms
sos.ca.gov/elections/contact/email-elections-division/

Federal Registration Form:
eac.gov/voters/national-mail-voter-registration-form

Replacement Vote By Mail Form:
<https://elections.cdn.sos.ca.gov/vote-by-mail/replacement-application.pdf>

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* Please note that the information contained herein is accurate as of 3/21/2022. The best way to get current information - particularly in light of COVID - is to check with your state's chief election division (usually the secretary of state's office) or county elections office.



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