



NONPROFIT VOTE STATE FACT SHEET MASSACHUSETTS



VOTER FAQs:

WHAT SHOULD I KNOW TO BE REGISTERED TO VOTE?

- **How Old Do I Need to Be?** Can pre-register at 16
- **Can I Register Online?** Yes if you have a state issued ID, otherwise register by paper
- **I Have a Felony Record, Can I Still Register?** Once you are no longer incarcerated you may register
- **I Am Homeless, How Do I Register?** Use the address or cross streets for wherever you sleep
- **Where Do I Register in Person?** At any local election office or the Elections Division of the Secretary of Commonwealth office
- **Is there a residency requirement?** No requirement, you only have to be a U.S. citizen
- **Do I need ID to register in-person?** No, but ID will be required at polling location if not provided beforehand. License, state ID, utility bill, or any document showing voter's name and address

WHAT SHOULD I KNOW ABOUT VOTING IN-PERSON?

- **Do I Need ID to Vote?** May be required for first time voters, required if no ID was provided or shown during the registration process
- **When Can I Vote?** Polls are open from 7am to 8pm on Election Day. Hours for early voting vary by location
- **Where Can I Find My Polling Place?** See the State Voter Portal
- **I Have a Disability, Are Polling Places Accessible to Me?** Can have assistance during the entire process. Equipment is also available at every polling location

WHAT SHOULD I KNOW ABOUT VOTING BY MAIL?

- **Who Can Vote By Mail?** Anyone, no excuse required
- **How Do I Apply for a Vote By Mail Ballot?** Complete and return the application to your local election office. Can be done via mail, hand-delivery, fax or email
- **How Do I Return My Ballot?** Mail (postage is paid) or deliver to local election office or official ballot return drop-box
- **When is My Ballot Due?** Mailed ballots must be postmarked by Election Day



IMPORTANT DATES

Early Voting Period: Oct 22 – Nov 4

Election date: Nov 8

Registration deadline: Oct 29

Vote by Mail request deadline: Nov 1



HELPFUL LINKS

Register to Vote Online:

<https://www.sec.state.ma.us/ovr/>

State Voter Portal:

<https://www.sec.state.ma.us/wheredoivotema/bal/myelectioninfo.aspx>

Local Election Offices:

<https://www.sec.state.ma.us/ele/electck/clkidx.htm>

Track Your Ballot:

<https://www.sec.state.ma.us/wheredoivotema/track/trackmyballot.aspx>



PRINTABLE FORMS

State Registration Forms:

<http://www.sec.state.ma.us/ele/elepdf/Voter-reg-mail-in.pdf>

Federal Registration Form:

eac.gov/voters/national-mail-voter-registration-form

Vote By Mail Application:

<https://www.sec.state.ma.us/ele/elepdf/absentee/english-absentee-ballot-application.pdf>



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* Please note that the information contained herein is accurate as of 8/31/2022. 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.