

CONDUCTING A VOTER REGISTRATION DRIVE IN HAWAII



✓ VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINES

- Applications must be received or postmarked by 4:30 p.m. on the tenth day before each election, but if the day is a Saturday, Sunday, or holiday then at 4:30 p.m. on the first working day immediately thereafter. Voters may also register in person at Voter Service Centers on or before Election Day.

GETTING STARTED

Training Requirement: Hawaii does not require training for registration drives. The state provides guidelines for voter registration drives here: elections.hawaii.gov/voters/voter-registration-drives

The state's election office maintains a Rumors vs. Facts page here that may be useful for organizations when communicating with potential voters: <https://elections.hawaii.gov/voting/rumors-vs-facts/>

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

Compensation Restrictions: Do not pay registration drive participants based on how many registrations they collect. Do not offer an applicant any incentive of monetary value to register to vote.

OBTAINING APPLICATIONS

State Form: The state mail-in voter registration application can be downloaded at the Office of Elections website: elections.hawaii.gov/voters/registration. They can also be requested here: bit.ly/hi_voterregapprequest. Up to 100 applications may be requested every 30 days.

Federal Form: The federal mail-in voter registration application may be used in voter registration drives: eac.gov/voters/national-mail-voter-registration-form/

Photocopying Blank Forms: A master copy may be requested for duplication purposes. Voter registration applications must be photocopied in their entirety, including all instructions, and conform to these specifications: Must be a 1:1 reproduction on 8.5" x 11" white 20 weight bond paper or heavier (70lb. text white wove offset is preferred) without a glossy finish and cannot be reproduced on newsprint quality paper. Additionally, no campaign material or informational literature unrelated to voter registration can be included in, attached to, or affixed to voter registration applications. For more information or to request materials, contact the Office of Elections here: elections.hawaii.gov/voters/voter-registration-drives

HANDLING APPLICATIONS

Incomplete Applications: Do not fill in any missing information on a registration form unless you have express consent of the applicant. An applicant unable to write for reason of illiteracy, blindness, or other physical disability may make a mark on the signature line. In such a case, the witness must provide their signature, address and phone number in the designated section.

Photocopying Completed Applications: It is unlawful for any person to use, print, publish, or distribute any voter registration information acquired directly or indirectly from the voter registration applications or any list prepared from them.

Submitting Completed Applications: Applications must be submitted by 4:30 pm on the tenth day before the election.

State and federal voter registration applications can be returned to the County Elections Division of the voter's residence and must be postmarked by the close of registration if returned by mail. Applicants must be reminded that they may submit their applications directly, if they want to. Information on County Elections Divisions can be found here: elections.hawaii.gov/resources/county-election-divisions/.

Fair Elections Center and its Campus Vote Project intend the information contained herein to be used only as a general guide. This document should not be used as a substitute for consultation with a licensed Hawaii legal professional.

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