How Do I Register to Vote?

Register by asking your county clerk for a voter registration form, printing one out at http://www.idahovotes.gov/, or filling out a registration form at the polling place on Election Day. To register to vote, you must be: a U.S. citizen, at least 18 years old at the time of the next election, a resident of Idaho and your county for at least 30 days before the election and not a convicted felon or, if convicted of a felony, you have completed your sentence including any parole, probation, or extended supervision.

If you register to vote on Election Day at the polling place, you need to bring proof of residence and a photo ID. The following are accepted:

» A valid Idaho driver’s license or state ID card issued through the department of transportation;
» Any document which contains a valid address in the precinct together with a photo ID card;
» A current and valid student photo ID card from a college or university in Idaho along with a current student fee statement that contains the student’s valid address in the precinct.

You can’t use a P.O. Box or business address as your residence address but you can put it down as your mailing address. If you do not have a street number or address, just describe the location of your residence by cross streets, section, township, range, or other physical description. Be as specific as you can. Homeless voters can do the same.

You can check to make sure you are registered to vote at http://www.idahovotes.gov/.

Problem at the polls? Call 866-OUR-VOTE or visit 866OURVOTE.org
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You must either present a photo ID or sign a Personal Identification Affidavit. Accepted forms of photo ID include:
- An Idaho driver’s license or state ID card.
- A U.S. passport or federal photo ID card.
- A tribal photo ID card.
- A current student photo ID, issued by an Idaho high school or postsecondary education institution.

If you registered before the deadline but the poll worker tells you you’re not on the list, ask them to double-check and, if they still can’t find you, say: “Please give me a provisional ballot.”

You have the right to vote if you’re in line or inside your polling place when the polls close. On Election Day, all polls will remain open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

You can vote before Election Day by mail or in person.

By Mail: Any registered Idaho voter may vote by mail. Applications for mail-in ballots are available at http://www.idahovotes.gov/ or can be mailed to you if you call your county clerk. These applications must be received by mail or fax by 5 p.m. six days before Election Day or delivered in person at the county clerk’s office by 5 p.m. on the Friday before Election Day. Completed mail-in ballots themselves must be returned to the county clerk’s office by 8 p.m. on Election Day.

Early In Person: Early voting runs from the third Monday before Election Day to 5 p.m. on the Friday before Election Day: October 24th to November 4th for the general election. Contact your county clerk for locations and hours.

Language Assistance

You can have anyone assist you in casting your vote if you cannot read or write or have difficulty reading, writing or understanding English, except for your employer or labor union or any officer or agent of your employer or union.

Find Your Polling Place

» You can look up your correct polling place at: http://www.idahovotes.gov/.

Tips for Avoiding Problems

» Check your voter registration status and polling place at http://www.idahovotes.gov/ as early as possible.
» Vote before Election Day, using early in-person or mail-in voting.
» If you vote on Election Day, the polls will be busiest before and after work hours.
» Bring some form of identification if you have it!
» Ask for help if you need it.
» Take your time—it’s your vote!

Go to http://www.idahovotes.gov/ for Voter Information or call 1-866-OUR-VOTE. Call these numbers if you need to be directed to a county clerk.