How Do I Register to Vote?

North Dakota is the only state in the United States which does not require some form of voter registration. Thus, without completing additional steps, voters may vote on the day of the election if they are qualified.

Where Do I Vote?

- Lookup your polling place at: https://vip.sos.nd.gov/PortalList.aspx.

Tips for Avoiding Problems

- Check your voter registration status and polling place at vote.ND.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, even if it’s not required for most people.
- Ask for help if you need it.
- Take your time—it’s your vote!

Vote in the General Election on November 8, 2016.

Go to vote.ND.gov for Voter Information.

Problem at the polls? Call 866-OUR-VOTE or visit 866OURVOTE.org
How Do I Vote?

In order to vote in North Dakota, you must be:

» A U.S. citizen;
» At least 18 years old on the day of the election;
» A resident of North Dakota; and
» A resident in the precinct for 30 days preceding the election; and
» Able to provide an acceptable form of identification.

Precincts in North Dakota maintain a list of voters who have voted in previous elections. When voters approach a polling location, they are required to provide an acceptable form of identification. If the voter’s name is in the poll book, and the poll clerk verifies the voter’s name and address, the voter is then allowed to vote. If the voter’s name is not contained in the poll book, but the individual is determined eligible to vote, the poll clerks will record the voter’s name in the poll book and request any additional required information from the individual.

Acceptable forms of identification for in-person voting include:

» Current Driver’s License
» Non-Driver’s ID Card
» Tribal Government Issued ID Card
» Long-term Care Identification Certificate (provided by North Dakota facility)

Identification must include the voter’s:

» Name
» Residential Address (No P.O. Boxes)
» Date of Birth
» You have the right to vote if you’re in line or inside your polling place when the polls close. On Election Day, polls cannot open before 7a.m. and must be open by 9a.m. Polls must remain open until 7p.m. and no later than 9p.m. Contact the County Auditor at http://bit.ly/29PviZz if you are unsure about your polling place’s hours.

Voter Identification requirements for absentee or mail voting:

» In addition to the forms of ID listed above, you may also use the following forms of identification for absentee or mail voting:
  » A valid Passport or Military ID – Only for North Dakota residents living outside the U.S. who do not possess one of the other forms of ID.
  » Attester – An applicant without an acceptable ID may use an Attester if the applicant has a disability that prevents the applicant from traveling to obtain an ID. The Attester must provide his or her name, North Dakota driver’s license, non-driver’s ID, or tribal ID number, and sign the absentee/mail ballot application form to attest to the applicant’s North Dakota residency and voting eligibility.

You can vote before Election Day by mail or by absentee.

In North Dakota, all voters may vote early by absentee. Ballots are not available until the 40th day before an election. Eligible voters may request Absentee ballot applications from the auditor’s office or access applications online.

Language Assistance

» You can have anyone assist you in casting your vote including a translator, except for your employer or labor union or any officer or agent of them.

» North Dakota Office of the State Auditor: (701)328.2241;
» Online: http://bit.ly/24wp4Ps
» The County Official Newspaper will also print the application for two consecutive weeks.

» If you live in a county with mail ballot elections (at least one polling place must be open on Election Day), the county is required to mail a ballot application to every active voter between the 50th and 40th day before the election.

» If voting absentee by mail, your return envelope must be postmarked no later than the day before the election. You can also deliver your absentee ballot in-person to your polling place by 4 p.m. on Election Day.