VOTING IN WYOMING 2016

Vote in the General Election on November 8, 2016.

Go to http://soswy.state.wy.us/Elections/Default.aspx to check your voter registration.

Problem at the polls? Call 866-OUR-VOTE or visit 866OURVOTE.org

How Do I Register to Vote?

Regular registration closes 14 days before Election Day. You can register by mail or in person at the county or city clerk’s office in your county of residence. Mail-in registration forms must be received by close of business on the 14th day before the election. You may also register at the polling place on Election Day.

What Information Do I Need to Provide to Register to Vote?

You would need to provide the following information: full legal name; current residence address or if living temporarily in another state or nation, last residence address in Wyoming; postal address if different from residence address; date of birth; acceptable identification as defined by the secretary of state; Wyoming driver’s license number, or if applicant has no current valid Wyoming driver’s license, a statement to that effect and the last four digits of applicant’s social security number, or if it has neither, a statement to that effect; and political party affiliation, if any.
Do I Need ID to Vote?

No ID is required when voting in person or by mail after having registered in person, or voting in person or by mail after having registered by mail and having previously voted in a federal election.

If you register by mail you must present ID to, and sign your registration form in front of a notary or registration agent. Accepted forms of ID for first-time voters who registered by mail include: a copy of a current valid photo ID, a copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, paycheck, government check or other government document which shows your name and address.

Can I Get a Ballot in My Native Language?

Election materials in Wyoming are available in English only, but you have the right to bring an interpreter with you to the polls or to get assistance in your language from anyone you choose, including a poll worker, as long as the person is not your employer, an agent of your employer, or an officer or agent of your union.

What If Someone Challenges My Right to Vote?

If you bring an accepted form of ID with your current address, you may be able to resolve the challenge at the polling place and cast a regular ballot. If you can’t resolve the challenge you can cast a provisional ballot, but the ballot won’t be counted unless you bring your ID and proof of eligibility to vote to the county clerk by the close of business on the day following the election.

Can I Vote by Absentee Ballot?

» Yes, any qualified elector may vote by absentee ballot and you do not need an excuse for not voting in person.

» A qualified elector may apply for an absentee ballot either in person, in writing, or by telephone, by furnishing the following information: name in full, social security number (optional), date of birth, and current Wyoming residence address by street, city, county, and zip code or last Wyoming residence address and month and year of leaving Wyoming to live temporarily in another state or nation, if applicable. An absentee ballot received after the polls have closed will not be counted.

Where Do I Vote?

You have to vote at the polling place for the address where you live. To find out where your polling place is, you can call your county clerk’s office or look up your polling place on line. You should also check your local newspaper within 2 weeks of an election for your polling location, which is required to be published by the county clerk. If you go to the wrong polling place you can ask a poll worker to help you find the polling place where you are registered. Polls are open from 7 A.M. to 7 P.M. on Election Day. You have a right to vote if you are in line at the polling place when the polls close.

Tips for Avoiding Problems

» Check your voter registration status and polling place at http://soswy.state.wy.us/Elections/Default.aspx as early as possible.

» Vote before Election Day using absentee ballots.

» 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 timer - it’s your vote.