



YOUR VOTING RIGHTS IN CALIFORNIA

Election Day: Tuesday, November 6, 2018

Who Can Vote?

- In order to vote in the election on November 6, you must be registered to vote. If you are not already registered to vote, you must register by October 22, 2018. You can find out if you are registered here: www.sos.ca.gov/elections/registration-status.
- To register to vote:
 - You must live in California, be a U.S. citizen, and be age 18 or older on Election Day;
 - You must also not be serving a sentence (including probation or parole) for a felony conviction; and not have been declared “mentally incompetent” by a court.
 - Register online at: <https://registertovote.ca.gov/>.

When do I vote?

- Some counties offer early voting at a few locations before Election Day. Contact your county elections office to see if they offer early voting.
- On Election Day, Tuesday November 6, the polls are open 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. If you are in line at 8 p.m. when the polls close, you have a right to cast a ballot.
- All registered voters in Madera, Napa, Nevada, Sacramento, and San Mateo counties will receive a ballot at home and have the option to return it by mail, place it in a secured drop box, or cast their vote in person at any voter center in their county.

Where do I vote?

- Any registered voter in California can decide whether to vote at a polling place on Election Day or vote by mail. Find your polling place at: www.sos.ca.gov/elections/polling-place/.

Will I need to bring identification?

- In most cases, California voters are not required to show identification (ID) at their polling place. You only need to show documents before voting in California if you are voting for the first time and you did not include your driver license number, California ID number, or Social Security Number when you registered to vote.

Can I bring someone to help me vote?

- Yes. If you need help reading in English, you can bring a person into the voting booth to help you vote. You can bring any person that you want except your employer or your union representative.

Can I receive assistance in Spanish?

- In these California counties, all voting materials should be translated into Spanish: Alameda, Los Angeles, Orange, Sacramento, San Diego, San Francisco, San Mateo, and Santa Clara.

Can I vote by mail?

- Yes. Any registered voter may vote using a vote-by-mail ballot instead of going to the polls. Apply online before October 30, 2018 at: <https://elections.cdn.sos.ca.gov/vote-by-mail/pdf/vote-by-mail-application.pdf>.

What if my name is not on the list of voters?

- Even if your name is not on the list, you have the right to vote with a provisional ballot.

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