

YOUR VOTING RIGHTS IN ILLINOIS



Election Day: Tuesday, November 6, 2018

Confirm you are registered and find your polling place at: <u>https://ova.elections.il.gov/RegistrationLookup.aspx#</u>.

Who Can Vote?

- In order to vote in the election on **November 6**, you must be registered to vote. You can find out if you are registered here: <u>https://elections.il.gov/ElectionAuthorities/ElecAuthorityList.aspx</u>. If you are not already registered to vote, you can still register to vote and vote at the same time at your local election office. Most local election offices post a list of registration sites on their website.
- To register to vote in Illinois:
 - 1. You must live in Illinois, be a U.S. citizen, and be age 18 or older on Election Day;
 - 2. You must also have lived at your present address for at least 30 days before the election;
 - 3. You must not be convicted and in prison or jail; and you must not claim the right to vote anywhere else.

How do I register to vote?

- You may register to vote online, at driver's license offices and some other state agencies, with deputy registrars in the community, or through the mail. You can find a mail application on the internet at: https://www.elections.il.gov/DocDisplay.aspx?Doc=Downloads/VotingInformation/PDF/R-19.pdf.
- If you are registering to vote in-person, you will need to present two forms of identification (ID) with at least one showing your current home address. If you are registering to vote by mail, you will need to write your driver's license or state ID number on your registration form. If you do not have either of those, you can write the last 4 digits of your social security number, or attach a copy of a current and valid photo ID, a paycheck stub, utility bill, bank document, or government document that lists both your name and your address. Students can show their university ID and current mail.

When and where do I vote?

- Early voting at your local election office begins on September 27.
- Early voting at other polling places in your city or county begins on October 22.
- On Election Day, November 6, the polls are open 6 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Do I need to show ID to vote?

- You do NOT have to show ID to vote on Election Day if you have previously voted in Illinois.
- If you are voting for the first time in Illinois and registered by mail and did not provide an Illinois ID/driver's license number or Social Security number when you registered, you will have to show ID on Election Day. You can show a photo ID or vehicle registration, lease, deed to home, bank/credit card, Social Security card, Medicare or Medicaid card, insurance card, LINK card, FOID card, or mail you receive at home including a bill, school report card, bank statement, pay stub, or official mail from any government agency.

Can I bring someone to help me vote?

Yes. If you need help reading or understanding English, you can bring a person of any age to help you vote. You can bring any person that you want except your employer or your union representative. If you are bringing someone, you should notify the poll officials as soon as possible and always before you enter the voting booth.

Can I receive assistance in Spanish?

• You are entitled to a Spanish-language ballot and assistance in Spanish if you live in the counties of Cook, Kane, or Lake.

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

• If your name is not on the list or your right to vote is challenged, you have the right to vote using a provisional ballot. Be sure to ask for a provisional ballot if there is a problem at the polling place.

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