



## **YOUR VOTING RIGHTS IN VIRGINIA** **Election Day: Tuesday, November 5, 2019**



### **Who Can Vote?**

- In order to vote in the election on **November 5, 2019** you must be registered to vote. If you are not already registered to vote, you must register by **Tuesday, October 15, 2019**. You can find out if you are registered here: <https://vote.elections.virginia.gov/VoterInformation>
- To register to vote:
  - You must be a resident of Virginia, be a U.S. citizen, and be age 18 or older on Election Day.
  - You must not have been convicted of a felony unless your civil rights have been restored; and you must not have been declared “mentally incompetent” by a court, unless your civil rights have been restored.
  - Register online at: <https://vote.elections.virginia.gov/Registration/Eligibility>.

### **When do I vote?**

- On Election Day, **Tuesday, November 5**, the polls are open 6 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- If you cannot make it to your polling place on Election Day, you may fill out an absentee form at your local registrar’s office after **September 21, 2019**. The last day to vote absentee in person is **November 2, 2019**. Requests for an absentee ballot by mail, fax, or email must be received by **October 29, 2019**, and must be returned by **7:00pm on November 5, 2019**. Check with your county office.

### **Where do I vote?**

- On Election Day, you must vote at your local polling place. Find your polling place at: <https://vote.elections.virginia.gov/VoterInformation/PollingPlaceLookup>.
- To vote absentee, you may vote at your local registrar’s office. Check with your county.

### **How do I vote?**

- You must show a valid photo identification (ID) to vote at the polls. Acceptable photo IDs are: a Virginia driver’s license; a Virginia DMV-issued ID; a U.S. passport; an employer-issued ID; a student ID from a school, college, or university located in Virginia; any local, state, or federal government issued ID; a tribal ID.
- If you do not have a form of ID listed above, you may obtain a free Virginia voter ID from your nearest voter registrar office: <https://vote.elections.virginia.gov/VoterInformation/PublicContactLookup>.
- If you don’t have a photo ID on Election Day, you can still vote by provisional ballot, but must present an above-listed ID by noon on the Friday following the election.

### **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. The person you bring does not need to be a registered voter.

### **Can I receive assistance in Spanish?**

- Yes, if you live in Fairfax County. This county is required to give you a Spanish language ballot and assistance in Spanish.

### **Can I vote by mail?**

- You can vote by mail if you are: out of the county on Election Day; disabled, sick, or pregnant; in jail but otherwise eligible to vote; an election official or election staff; responsible for caring for a sick or disabled family member; unable to vote at the polls on account of a religious obligation; working a required shift of 11 or more hours during the time the polls are open; any sort of public safety or emergency personnel; or an official partisan poll watcher.
- You can request an absentee ballot in writing, in person, by fax, by email, or online: <https://www.elections.virginia.gov/citizen-portal/index.html>.

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

- If your name is not on the list, or there is a problem with your ID, you have the right to vote on a provisional ballot. Be sure to ask for a provisional ballot if there is a problem at the polling place.  
Confirm your registration and find your polling place here: <https://vote.elections.virginia.gov/VoterInformation>.  
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