

EARLY VOTING

Early Voting is a process that allows you to vote prior to the election if you know you will not be able to cast your ballot on Election Day. You can vote early by using the Absentee Ballot Process.

ABSENTEE BALLOT PROCESS

You can vote early by using the Absentee Ballot Process, either by mail or in person. To request an absentee ballot:

1. Download an absentee ballot application online, apply in writing to the County Clerk, or, if you are incarcerated, request an absentee ballot application from jail administrators.
2. Complete the application form and personally sign it.
3. Submit the form early enough that the County Clerk gets it at least 11 days before Election Day.

Mail-in absentee ballots (not the absentee ballot application) must be received by 8:00 pm on Election Day (May 15 for the Primary and November 6 for the General Election). In person voting at your absentee polling place ends at 5:00 p.m. on the Friday before the election. The last day for in person early voting is **Friday, May 11 for the Primary** and **Friday, November 2 for the General Election**.

For in-person early voting, contact your county clerk for dates, operating hours, and location of the absentee polling place in your county. A list of County Clerks is available online at: idahovotes.gov/county-clerks/.



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For more information on polling locations and voter information, contact:

**Idaho Secretary of State
Elections Department
(208) 334-2852
www.sos.idaho.gov**

**ACLU of Idaho
(208) 344-9750**

**Election Protection Hotline
866-OUR-VOTE (687-8683)**

**US Department of Justice
(800) 253-3931**

This pamphlet is designed to help protect your right to vote. Keep it handy, and take it with you to the polls on Election Day.

QUICK TIPS FOR VOTERS

- Check your voter registration status.
- Locate your polling place and note the hours of operation.
- Photo identification is not required to vote in Idaho elections. Voters have two choices: either show photo identification OR sign the Personal Identification Affidavit.
- Consider voting early or absentee if possible.
- If you plan to vote at the polls, go early in the day to avoid the last-minute rush.

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REQUIREMENTS

To be eligible to vote in Idaho you must be all of these things:

- A U.S. citizen.
- A resident of Idaho and in the county for 30 days prior to Election Day.
- At least 18 years old before or on Election Day.
- Not convicted of a felony. If you have been convicted, you must have completed all sentencing conditions including probation and parole.

IDENTIFICATION

Idaho law requests that you show approved picture identification on Election Day before voting or you can sign a Personal Identification Affidavit. If you choose to use photo identification, the name on the I.D. MUST match the name on the voter registration list. If you are transgender and your photo does not match your presentation, you can still sign the Personal Identification Affidavit to confirm your identity. On the affidavit, you will have to swear to your identity under penalty of perjury. Putting incorrect information on the affidavit is a felony.

Accepted Forms of I.D.

- Idaho driver's license or an Idaho Identification card.
- U.S. passport or Federal Identification card.
- A tribal photo identification card.
- A current student photo I.D., issued by an Idaho high school or post-secondary education institution.
- A license to carry a concealed weapon issued by a county sheriff in Idaho.

REGISTRATION

HOW TO REGISTER

You can fill out a form and submit it to the County Clerk in the place of your residence or register to vote online at least 25 days before Election Day. You can also register at your polling place on Election Day. A list of County Clerks is available online at idahovotes.gov/county-clerks/.

REGISTER ONLINE

You must have either an Idaho driver's license or identification card to register online. If you do not, you need to register by mail or in person. To register online:

1. Visit idahovotes.gov and click the "Online Voter Registration" link to complete prompted step-by-step voter registration.
2. Make sure you register to vote online 25 days prior to the election.

REGISTER BY MAIL

To register by mail:

1. Complete a registration card.
2. Provide your Idaho driver's license number or state I.D. number on the form. If you do not have a driver's license or state I.D., you can list the last four digits of your Social Security Number instead.
3. Postmark your registration card 25 days prior to the election.

REGISTER IN PERSON

To register in person at your polling place on Election Day:

1. Complete a registration card.
2. Provide proof of residency that contains a valid address that matches the address used on your voter registration card.
3. Provide a photo I.D. card.

Documents accepted to prove residency include:

- A valid Idaho driver's license issued through the Department of Transportation.
- A valid Idaho identification card issued through the Department of Transportation.
- Any document which contains a valid address in the county together with a picture identification card. Students may use a valid student identification card from their university or college in Idaho along with a current student fee statement that contains the student's valid address in the county.

REGISTRATION DEADLINES FOR 2018

The early registration or pre-registration deadline is the 25th day before Election Day. For the 2018 Primary Election on May 15 the deadline is **April 20**. For the 2018 General Election on November 6 the deadline is **October 12**.

ELECTION DAY

On Election Day, polls will be open from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm, unless otherwise posted. The **2018 Primary Election is on Tuesday, May 15** and the **2018 General Election is on Tuesday, November 6**.

VOTING LOCATIONS

There are several ways to find out where to vote on Election Day.

- If you register to vote at least 25 days before Election Day, you should receive a voter registration card in the mail that tells you where your polling place is, depending on what county you live in.
- You can find your polling location by visiting idahovotes.gov and clicking on the "Where do I go to vote?" link.
- You can contact your County Clerk to find out where your polling place is. A list of County Clerks is available online at idahovotes.gov/county-clerks.