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What do I need to know?

- You must be registered to vote in General, Primary and Special Elections.
- You do not have to be registered to vote in school elections.

- You can pick a political party affiliation when you register.
- If you do not pick a political party, you will be registered as unaffiliated.
- You must register as a Democrat or Republican to vote in a primary. Democrats vote for Democrats and Republicans for Republicans.
- Changes of address with the Post Office do not update your voter registration.
- You must vote at the polling place for the address for your home on Election Day.

What are the qualifications?

- You must be a citizen of the United States.
- You must be a resident of Delaware. Delaware is your home.
- You must be 18 years old by the date of the next General Election.
- A person convicted of a felony may register and vote if he/she meets the conditions stated in the next section.
- You cannot register to vote if you have been adjudged mentally incompetent. "Adjudged mentally incompetent" refers to a specific finding in a judicial guardianship or equivalent proceeding, based on clear and convincing evidence that the individual has a severe cognitive impairment which precludes exercise of basic voting judgment.

Can a person convicted of a felony register to vote?

A person convicted felony may register and vote if he/she meets the following requirements:

- Was not convicted of a disqualifying felony as defined in the Delaware Constitution.
- Has completed his/her sentence.

Call the State Election Commissioner's - (302) 739-4277 - if you have questions about your eligibility.

Can I register to vote if I don't have a fixed address?

- Yes. If you don't have a fixed residence or are homeless and otherwise qualified to vote in Delaware, you may register by completing the proper registration form. If registering in-person you must provide two pieces of identification containing your name. Additionally, one of the pieces must include the address that you listed on the application. The address can be a shelter, agency or another location where you receive your mail.

How do I register to vote or update my record?

- Use Delaware's Online Registration System (<https://ivote.de.gov/voterregterms.aspx>)
- At a mobile registration event ([Contact our offices for scheduled events](#)) ([../locations.shtml](#))
- By mail
- At certain government offices

By mail

- Print [this form \(/pubs/stateform.pdf\)](/pubs/stateform.pdf) , fill it out, and mail, email or FAX it along with a copy of your ID - see the list below - to the [Department's Office for your county \(/locations.shtml\)](#).
 - Delaware Drivers License or State ID Card, or
 - A copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck or other government document that shows the name and address of the voter
- Call the [Department's Office for your county \(/locations.shtml\)](#) and ask them to mail you an application.
- Military and overseas citizens can fill out an application using [Delaware's Online Registration System \(https://ivote.de.gov/fpcaentry.aspx\)](https://ivote.de.gov/fpcaentry.aspx) or at the [FVAP WEB Site \(http://www.fvap.gov\)](http://www.fvap.gov) and then mail, email or fax the application to the [Department's Office for your county \(/locations.shtml\)](#).

At certain government offices

- At any of the [Department's Offices. \(/locations.shtml\)](/locations.shtml).
- At Division of Motor Vehicle offices when applying for, renewing or updating a Driver's License or State ID Card.
- At State Service Centers (Department of Health and Social Services) when applying for services.
- At the Department of Labor: Division of Training and the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation.
- At WIC Program offices when applying for services or assistance.
- At Armed Forces Recruitment Offices when applying for services.
- At some Social Security offices.
- At the State Election Commissioner's Office.
- At institutions of higher education when you register for classes.

When can I register to vote?

- Anytime except after the fourth Saturday before a Primary or General Election through the day of the election.
- At least 10 days before a Special Election.

When can I update my record?

- Anytime before an election.
- At your polling place on Election Day.

When can I change my political party affiliation?

- Before a Primary Election: anytime except from the last Saturday in May through the date of the Primary.
- Before a Presidential Primary: anytime except from the 59th day before the Presidential Primary through the date of the election.

When are the deadlines?

- The deadline to register to vote and other events are available in our [Election Calendar \(/calendars.shtml\)](/calendars.shtml).

What are my responsibilities?

- To register to vote before the deadline.
- To keep your voter registration information current.
- To change your political party affiliation before the deadline.

How do I cancel my voter registration?

- Complete the request [online \(https://ivote.de.gov/cancelvregentry.aspx\)](https://ivote.de.gov/cancelvregentry.aspx).
- Or print [this form \(/pubs/cancelreg_registrant.pdf\)](/pubs/cancelreg_registrant.pdf), fill it out, and return it to the [Department's Office for your county \(/locations.shtml\)](/locations.shtml).

How do I cancel a close relative's voter registration who has moved out of state or passed away?

- Complete the request [online \(https://ivote.de.gov/cancelvregentrycr.aspx\)](https://ivote.de.gov/cancelvregentrycr.aspx).
- Or print [this form \(/pubs/cancelreg_closerelative.pdf\)](/pubs/cancelreg_closerelative.pdf), fill it out, and return it to the [Department's Office for your county \(/locations.shtml\)](/locations.shtml).



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