

ORS 247.038; Registration of Person who is Homeless or Resides in Identifiable Location

This provision allows a qualified person who is homeless or resides in a shelter, park, motor home, marina or other identifiable location to register to vote using as their residence address any place within the county describing the physical location of the person. For their mailing address, a person in these circumstances may use the office of the county clerk. In this case, the person would pick up their ballot at the county clerk's office in order to vote.

In Oregon, is a person who has been convicted of a felony eligible to register to vote and vote?

In Oregon, it is not against the law for a person who has had a felony conviction to vote as long as they are not incarcerated at that time. ORS 137.281. Inmates in Oregon correctional facilities may register to vote. **However, inmates in an Oregon federal correctional facility may neither register nor vote.**

The general rule is persons convicted of a felony, whether the defendant serves their term of incarceration in a state correctional facility or in a county jail, may register to vote but cannot vote. All others in the criminal justice system may vote (such as pre-trial detainees, persons serving misdemeanor sentences in county jails, persons on parole or probation).

ORS 247.125; Alteration of Registration Card Prohibited

Violation of this statute is a Class C Felony.

ORS 247.125 states that no person shall alter any information supplied on a registration card except an elections officer in the performance of official duties or the person who fills out the registration card for the purpose of registering to vote. It is a potential violation for a person, other than the person registering to vote, to fill in parts of the voter registration card the registering person leaves blank, such as party affiliation.

ORS 247.171; Secretary of State Prescribes Voter Registration Cards

The Secretary of State designs, prepares and distributes voter registration cards. A person may apply in writing to the Secretary of State for permission to print, copy or otherwise prepare and distribute the registration cards. The content must include the information specified in the statute. No charge may be made to the public for voter registration cards by signing the completed card.

ORS 247.171(5), (7); Prohibition on False Information by Registrant

Violation of this statute is a Class C Felony.

No person shall supply any information on the voter registration card they complete and file knowing it to be false. A person must attest to the information supplied on the voter registration card by signing the completed card.