

LGBTQ+ Voters Know Your Voting Rights!



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YOU CAN REGISTER TO VOTE IF...

- You are a US citizen **AND**
- You are 16 or 17 years old to pre-register and you are 18 by Election Day to vote **AND**
- You live at your NC address for 30 days before Election Day **AND**
- You are **not currently serving a felony sentence**, including probation, parole, or post-release supervision.

HOW TO REGISTER TO VOTE

ONLINE (Limited)

Online voter registration is only available for NCDMV customers. To register entirely online you will need your full social security number AND your NC Drivers License or DMV ID number.

PAPER FORM

Any eligible voter can register using the paper registration form and return it to your county's Board of Elections before the registration deadline. You must provide either the last 4 digits of your SSN or a NC DMV ID/license number.

Learn more → youcanvote.org/register

NAME AND IDENTITY

The name on your voter registration form must match the name on your legal documents. If you legally change your name, complete a new voter registration form. A name change cannot be updated using online voter registration.

You must provide either the last 4 digits of your social security number or a NC drivers license or DMV ID number on your voter registration form to confirm your identity. The voter registration form asks for gender, race, and ethnicity. This demographic section is OPTIONAL. If your identity is not represented, or you do not wish to identify, you can leave it blank.

Voter Photo ID: Voters will be asked to show photo ID. Free voter photo IDs are available at your County Board of Elections, where you can take a new photo that matches your current identity. For more details on voter photo IDs, see youcanvote.org/voterid.

Experiencing Homelessness? Use the shelter address where you stay most often. Or you can draw the address or intersection where you sleep then provide a mailing address.

If you are not offered a ballot because a poll worker questions your gender identity, please call the NC voter assistance hotline to talk with an elections attorney immediately! **1-888-OUR-VOTE**

Questions or problems voting? Call the NC voter hotline! **1-888-OUR-VOTE**
For more information or to join us, visit youcanvote.org.

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MAKE A PLAN TO VOTE!

Find the early voting sites in your county → youcanvote.org/voting

Find your election day polling place → youcanvote.org/lookup

Learn about the local, state, & federal offices on your ballot → youcanvote.org/wob

VOTER PHOTO ID: RULES FOR VOTING WITH OR WITHOUT ID

IF YOU HAVE AN APPROVED ID, BRING IT WITH YOU TO VOTE!

The address on the ID does not have to match your voter registration.

You Can Vote if you don't have an approved ID. Complete the Photo ID Exception Form.

Unexpired or expired for one year or less:

- NC Drivers License
- NC DMV issued non-driver ID
- US passport or passport card
- NC Student ID *
- NC government employee ID *
- FREE ID from county board of elections
- Out-of-state driver license †

* Some restrictions apply.

Any of the following, regardless of expiration:

- US military or Veteran ID
- Tribal ID
- ID card from US or NC government public assistance program

Over 65? ID is valid for life if the ID was unexpired on the voters 65th birthday.

† Only if voter registered in North Carolina within 90 days of the election

*** More Details → youcanvote.org/voterid**

NEED HELP VOTING?

You can **bring someone inside to assist you OR** remain in your vehicle to **use curbside voting** (only voters unable to get inside polling location can use curbside voting).

CAN'T GET TO THE POLLS OR NEED EXTRA TIME VOTING?

Request an absentee ballot to vote by mail. Requests are due 7 days before Election Day.

You must return your completed ballot by Election Day. Learn more → youcanvote.org/mail

STAY IN LINE!

If you are in line at the time when polls close, stay in line! If you believe you have registered but your name is not on the rolls or if you are told that you are in the wrong precinct, you can vote with a provisional ballot and receive follow-up instructions.

You have a right to vote without being intimidated or forced to vote in a certain way. Voters who feel harassed or intimidated should notify an election official AND call the NC voter assistance hotline immediately at **1-888-OUR-VOTE**.

For training, additional resources, and support, visit youcanvote.org.

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