

Are you ready to



2022 GENERAL ELECTION INFORMATION

ELECTION INFORMATION

Election Day: Tuesday, November 8, 2022

To vote in Iowa, you must be registered. To qualify to register to vote, you must be:

- a US citizen,
- an Iowa resident, and
- at least 17 years old. A person may vote if they will be 18 years old on or before Election Day

Offices up for election:

- U.S. Offices

- U.S. Senator
- U.S. Representative (all districts)

- State Offices

- Governor/Lt. Governor
- State Senator (odd-numbered districts 1-49 and even-numbered districts as necessary due to redistricting)
- State Representative (districts 1-100)

- County Offices

- Some members of county boards of supervisors
- County Attorney
- County Treasurer
- County Recorder
- Any vacant offices needing to be filled

- Non-partisan Offices

- Some township officers
- County public hospital trustees
- Soil and water conservation district commissioners
- County agricultural extension council members
- Any vacant offices needing to be filled

- Judges Standing for Retention

- Judges may stand for retention at the General Election before their terms expire

Important Election Dates

- Voter pre-registration ends **October 24 at 5p.m.**
- Absentee ballot request forms may be requested **August 30 through November 2**
- Voted absentee ballots returned by mail must be postmarked on or before **November 7** or hand delivered to county auditor during business hours or **until 8pm on November 8**

REGISTERED TO VOTE

If you are registered to vote...

Check your voter registration status to see your precinct/polling place:

<https://sos.iowa.gov/elections/voterreg/regtovote/search.aspx>

NOTE: You must update your registration if you move or change your name

Even if you are updating your registration online, you must update your registration by **October 24** in order to vote on **November 8**. If you miss this deadline, you can update your registration at your polling place the day of the election. To update your registration on Election Day, you will be asked to provide proof of identity and residence.

NOT REGISTERED TO VOTE

If you are not yet registered to vote...

You can register to vote either online, by mail, at various governmental offices (county auditor's office, DOT), through community registration drives, or on Election Day in Iowa. Information on registering to vote can be found here:

<https://sos.iowa.gov/elections/voterinformation/voterregistration.html>

Registering to vote online

- To register to vote online, you must have a valid Iowa driver's license or an Iowa non-operator ID
 - If you do not have either of these forms of ID, you may register to vote by mail
- Your voter registration must be completed by **October 24** to be on the registered voter list for the general election
 - You can still participate in the election if you miss this deadline by registering to vote on Election Day
- Visit: <https://mymvd.iowadot.gov/VoterRegistration> to register online

Registering to vote through mail

- To register to vote by mail, print out this form and send it to your county auditor:

<https://sos.iowa.gov/elections/pdf/voteapp.pdf>

- You can also call your county auditor's office and request that a voter registration form be mailed to you
- You can find your county auditor here: <https://sos.iowa.gov/elections/auditors/auditorslist.html>

Registering to vote on Election Day

- To register to vote on Election Day, first make sure you head to the correct polling place for your current address.
 - Find that information here: <https://sos.iowa.gov/elections/voterinformation/edr.html>
- You will need to bring proof of identification and proof of residence
 - Proof of ID – must include photo and expiration date
 - Iowa driver's license
 - Iowa non-operator ID
 - Out-of-state license
 - U.S. Passport
 - U.S. military or veteran ID
 - ID card issued by employer
 - Student ID issued by Iowa high school or college
 - Tribal ID card/document
 - Proof of residence – must include your name, current address, and dated within 45 days
 - Residential lease or College Residence Letter
 - Utility Bill (including cell phone bill)
 - Bank Statement
 - Paycheck
 - Government check or other government document
 - Property tax statement

OTHER VOTING INFORMATION

Absentee Voting

Absentee voting happens in two parts: you must first request the absentee ballot, after which you can then fill it out and send it to your county auditor.

If you have not sent in your ballot with enough time to be counted on Election Day, you can take your absentee ballot to be counted at your polling place.

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 - You can find your county auditor's address here:
<https://sos.iowa.gov/elections/auditors/auditorslist.html>
- If an absentee ballot is requested but you need to vote in person, you must follow the next steps:
 - Locate and bring your absentee ballot to your polling place
 - Surrender your absentee ballot to election officials
 - If you cannot locate your absentee ballot or are unable to retrieve it, you can cast a provisional ballot

In-Person Absentee “Early” Voting

- In-person absentee “early” voting begins 20 days before the election
 - For the November 8 election, this will open **October 19**
- This option is available at your county auditor’s office and is available for:
 - Registered voters
 - People who have moved in county but have not updated their new address
 - Same-day registers

Provisional Ballots

- If your vote is contested in any way, or if for some reason your registration is denied on site, you are allowed to cast a provisional ballot
 - A provisional ballot will allow for your vote to be counted after the resolution of the original issue.
- In order for your provisional ballot to count, you must provide proof of residence or identification to the county auditor office
- Information on provisional voting can be found by visiting: <https://sos.iowa.gov/elections/voterinformation/edfaq.html>

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