

VOTE! VOTERS' RIGHTS

Where and when should I vote?

Find your polling place: www.vote.pa.gov

Polls open/closing times: 7am – 8pm. As long as you're in line by 8pm, you can still vote.

Am I registered?

To check your status or to register visit www.vote.pa.gov.

Do I need to show ID?

In Pennsylvania, only first-time voters or those voting for the first time in a new precinct must show ID. If you do not have ID, you can return later with ID or otherwise vote provisionally. Eligible voters that are denied access to the polls because of lack of ID should contact their county board of elections.

Your photo ID must be valid and not expired. Acceptable forms of photo ID include: PA driver's license or PennDOT ID card; ID issued by any Commonwealth agency; ID issued by the U.S. Government; U.S. passport; U.S. Armed Forces ID; Student ID; Employer ID. Acceptable non-photo IDs include: a non-photo ID issued by state or federal government; a current utility bill; a firearm permit; a current bank statement; a current paycheck; or a current government check. If you do not have a photo ID, your non-photo ID must include your name and current address.

Can I vote by mail?

In Pennsylvania, any qualified voter may apply for a mail-in ballot. Voting by mail is safe, secure, and a convenient way for Pennsylvanians to exercise their right to vote.

For more information on mail-in voting, and to apply for a mail-in ballot, visit <https://www.vote.pa.gov/Voting-in-PA/Pages/Mail-and-Absentee-Ballot.aspx> or visit your county elections office.

I already requested a mail-in ballot, can I still vote in person?

If you change your mind before you mail your ballot, you can still vote in-person on election day. To do so, you will need to bring both your mail-in or absentee ballot and the outer return envelope to your polling place. Your polling place will require you to sign a declaration affirming you have not cast your absentee/mail-in ballot.

Can someone else help me vote at the polls?

Yes, if any of the following affect your ability to vote: (1) disability; (2) language barrier; or (3) literacy or difficulty reading.

Anyone can help you, except: (1) your employer (or their agent); (2) your union representative (or their agent); (3) the Judge of Elections.

I'm at the wrong polling place. What should I do?

You must go to your correct polling place to vote. However, if you insist you are eligible to vote at that polling place, you may vote using a provisional ballot. Visit <https://www.vote.pa.gov/Resources/Pages/Contact-Your-Election-Officials.aspx> to find your correct polling place.

I am at the right polling place but my name isn't in the poll book. Can I still vote?

Yes, your poll workers must provide you with a provisional ballot.

The voting machines at my precinct are broken. Can I still vote?

Yes, the poll workers must provide emergency paper ballots.

Can I take a ballot selfie?

Yes, BUT, you should be careful to not disclose any other voter's ballot and it is recommended that you wait until after you leave the polling place to post photos of your ballot selfie.

Can I bring my gun to the polls?

If you lawfully possess it, then yes, unless your polling place is: (1) a school; (2) a courthouse; (3) a place where PA law prohibits firearms; or (4) inside a private property that forbids them.

Regardless, it is illegal to aggressively display the firearm in a way that intimidates other voters.

Can I bring campaign materials inside my polling place or booth?

Yes, but you cannot leave them behind.

Can I wear campaign gear while voting?

Yes, as long as you are not an election official or poll watcher.

Who is allowed inside the polling place?

Only voters, people assisting voters, election officials, constables, poll watchers with valid certificates, and duly appointed overseers.

Campaign workers (unless voting) cannot engage in electioneering inside polling place or within ten feet of entrance to polling place.

Police are only allowed inside if: they are voting; the polling place is in the same building as a police station; or they have been officially summoned to address a situation at the polls.

Who can be a poll watcher and what are they allowed to do?

Poll watchers must be registered to vote in the county in which they are watching, must be appointed by a candidate or political party, and must be certified with their local board of elections.

Poll watchers are allowed to be in the polling place, keep lists of voters, challenge the qualifications of voters, and inspect lists of voters. However, poll watchers must direct their challenges to the judge of election, not to voters directly.

Poll watchers may not engage in electioneering in or within ten feet of polling place and may not attempt to influence or intimidate voters in any way.

Someone is trying to intimidate me. What can I do?

That is illegal. Report them immediately to your County Board of Elections, see telephone numbers below. If you feel unsafe, call 911 immediately.

Someone is challenging my right to vote. What can I do?

Identity and residency are the only permissible bases for challenging a voter at a polling place. A voter whose identity or residency is being challenged may vote normally by signing a challenge affidavit and producing a witness who is also a registered voter in the precinct to vouch for them. If the voter cannot or does not want to produce a witness, the voter may cast a provisional ballot.

If you have any problems at the polls, call your County Board of Elections (see next page for phone number) or the PA Department of State at 877-868-3772.

If you witness what you believe to be election-related crimes, please email our office at voting@attorneygeneral.gov.



County Board of Elections Phone Numbers

Adams (717) 337-9832	Centre (814) 355-6703	Forest (814) 755-3537	Lycoming (570) 327-2267	Snyder (570) 837-4286
Allegheny (412) 350-4500	Chester (610) 344-6410	Franklin (717) 261-3810	McKean (814) 887-3203	Somerset (814) 445-1549
Armstrong (724) 548-3222	Clarion (814) 226-4000 Ext 2205	Fulton (717) 485-6872	Mercer (724) 662-7542	Sullivan (570) 946-5201
Beaver (724) 770-4432	Clearfield (814) 765-2642 ext 5053	Greene (724) 852-5230	Mifflin (717) 248-6571	Susquehanna (570) 278-6697
Bedford (814) 623-4807	Clinton (570) 893-4019	Huntingdon (814) 643-3091 Ext 205	Monroe (570) 517-3165	Tioga (570) 524-8683
Berks (610) 478-6490	Columbia (570) 389-5640	Indiana (724) 465-3805	Montgomery (610) 278-3280	Union (570) 524-8681
Blair (814) 693-3287	Crawford (814) 333-7307	Jefferson (814) 849-1583	Montour (570) 271-3000	Venango (814) 432-9514
Bradford (570) 265-1717	Cumberland (717) 240-6385	Juniata (717) 436-7706	Northampton (610) 829-6260	Warren (814) 728-3406
Bucks (215) 348-6154	Dauphin (717) 780-6360	Lackawanna (570) 963-6737	Northumberland (570) 988-4208	Washington (724) 228-6750
Butler (724) 284-5308	Delaware (610) 891-4943	Lancaster (717) 299-8293	Perry (717) 582-5107	Wayne (570) 253-5970 ext. 4003
Cambria (814) 472-1464	Elk (814) 776-5337	Lawrence (724) 656-2145	Philadelphia (215) 686-3469	Westmoreland (724) 830-3150
Cameron (814) 486-9321	Erie (814) 451-6275	Lebanon (717) 228-4428	Pike (570) 296-3427	Wyoming (570) 996-2226
Carbon (570) 325-4801	Fayette (724) 430-1289	Lehigh (610) 782-3194	Potter (814) 274-8467	York (717) 771-9604
		Luzerne (570) 825-1715	Schuylkill (570) 628-1467	

**For a listing of available
email addresses, go to
www.vote.pa.gov**