

What Seniors Need to Know About Voting

Make sure you have everything you need to be able to vote in the next election. To check your registration, find election dates, request an absentee ballot, confirm your polling place, or start the registration process go to MyVote.wi.gov.

Voter Registration:

If you have moved or are new to Wisconsin, you need to register.

- **Wisconsin has online voter registration!** If you have a current, valid Wisconsin driver license (DL) or WI ID card and your current name and address are in the Division of Motor Vehicles data base, you can register online up to 20 days before an election. If you need to update your address at the DMV you can do that at tinyurl.com/DMVchanges. Then complete your registration at MyVote.wi.gov. The address on your physical DL or ID does not need to be changed.
- **Don't have a current WI driver license or ID card?** You can register in person at your clerk's office until the Friday before the election or at an in-person absentee early voting location. You will need to show proof of residence (POR) when registering.
- **Register by mail:** Voters can register by mail until 20 days before Election Day. You will need to include a copy of your proof of residence and send the completed application to your municipal clerk's office.
- If registering in person or by mail you can use a paper form or complete one online at MyVote.wi.gov and print it.
- For examples of acceptable POR go to [Proof-of-Residence-Guide](#).

An Approved Photo ID will be Required When Voting:

You can use a Wisconsin driver license, a Wisconsin state ID card, a US passport, or military ID with expiration dates of November 3, 2020 or later. A Veterans Affairs card that is unexpired or has no expiration date can also be used. The address on a photo ID does not have to be current. Out-of-state IDs/DLs are **not** acceptable. For a complete list of approved photo IDs go to www.bringitwisconsin.com/.

If you don't have an acceptable photo ID you can get a free ID at the DMV. Be aware that If you have an out-of-state driver license you would have to surrender that license to get the WI ID or a WI DL. Anyone who needs help getting an ID or a ride to the DMV can call the Voter Helpline at 608-285-2141 for help.

Non-expiring ID cards are available for people age 65 and older who are no longer driving. For information about the DMV process see wisconsin.gov. The West Madison DMV Service Center is located at 8417 Excelsior Drive and the East Madison center is at 2001 Bartillon Drive.

Seniors and people with disabilities who are home bound or have problems getting to the polls may vote by *permanent* absentee ballot. They are exempt from the photo ID requirement. To apply for a permanent absentee ballot, contact your municipal clerk. The website for the City of Madison clerk is www.cityofmadison.com/election.

For more information go to www.lwvdanecounty.org/voting-information