

Voting Timeline

30 days before Election Day:
voting registration ends

29 days before Election Day:
absentee voting starts, early
voting starts

7 days before Election Day: last
day to request absentee voting

6 days before Election Day:
Unforeseeable Hospitalization
absentee voting starts

2 days before Election Day: early
voting ends at 5 PM the Sunday
before Election Day

1 day before Election Day:
absentee ballots must be
postmarked

Election Day: standard in-person
voting starts, Unforeseeable
Hospitalization absentee voting
ends at 3 PM

Resources

If you find barriers to voting of any kind, speak with one of the poll workers or the polling manager at your voting location. They have a federal obligation to give you full access to vote. If you still encounter any barriers to voting, call one of the following helplines and speak to an expert about your issue.

ADA Coordinator for the Ohio Secretary of State: (614) 387-6039

Disability Rights Ohio:
(614) 446-7264 or (800) 282-9181

To check if you're registered to vote:
<https://voterlookup.ohiosos.gov/voterlookup.aspx>

To get resources for Voters with Disabilities:
www.ohiosos.gov/elections/voters/voters-with-disabilities/resources/

To contact your County Board of Elections:
www.ohiosos.gov/elections/elections-officials/county-boards-of-elections-directory/

To contact the Secretary of State:
www.ohiosos.gov/accessibility

To find your polling location:
www.ohiosos.gov/elections/voters/toolkit/polling-location/

To view the voting schedule:
www.ohiosos.gov/elections/voters/current-voting-schedule/



Voting Rights

AbilityCenter.org

You have the right to vote.

If you are an American citizen who is 18 or older, without a felony, and who has lived in Ohio for 30 days or more, you have the right to vote. Those under guardianship or those institutionalized also still have the right to vote. The Americans with Disabilities Act and Voting Accessibility for the Elderly and Handicapped Act of 1984 require the government to make sure voting locations are accessible. The Voting Rights Act of 1965 protects voters from having to pass any tests to vote and makes sure that you can have assistance to vote if you need it. Finally, the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 makes sure there are accessible voting machines at polling locations.

Polling Accommodations

Audio Ballots
Braille and Tactile Lettering
Zoom Screen/Large Print Text
Screen/Text Color Contrast
Screen Height or Tilt Adjustments
Sip/Puff Navigation
Touch Screen or Push Button Navigation

Ways of Voting

Vote in Person

All polling locations are required to have accessible voting equipment available, setup, and ready for voters.

Curbside Voting

In Ohio, you can vote from your vehicle at polling locations. Some sites have a doorbell for curbside voting, so it's helpful to have someone with you to alert staff. Curbside voting is also available during early voting, but be sure to contact the location in advance.

Absentee Voting

Mail your ballot after signing up for an absentee ballot before the election.

Ensure your ballot is mailed and postmarked by the deadline, which is the day before the election. Check the timeline to avoid missing any deadlines. Accessible ballots can be requested for blind voters.

Special Absentee Ballot

If you or your child is hospitalized by an accident or medical emergency. This is available from the sixth day before the election until 3 PM on Election Day itself. Make sure to find the specific form online to get one of these ballots.

What you'll need to vote:

At least a month before the election, you need to make sure that you're registered to vote.

On the back of this pamphlet, there's a link you can follow to make sure you're registered.

When you go to your polling location to vote, you need to have a form of identification (ID) on you.

This can be one of the following: Ohio driver's license, State of Ohio ID card (or Interim ID paper form from the BMV), a US passport or passport card, US military ID card, Ohio National Guard ID card, or US Department of Veterans Affairs ID card.