California Voter Registration FAQs





Important Dates

General Election: November 6, 2018

Voter Registration Deadline: October 22, 2018 Request for Absentee Ballot: October 30, 2018



How many ways can I pre-register?

TurboVote

- Online: https://turbovote.org/ OR https://registertovote.ca.gov/
- You will need to provide your California driver's license or state ID number, the last four digits of your SSN, and your date of birth.
- In Person & By Mail: This must be sent to your county elections office and postmarked 15 days before the election.
- You can obtain a paper application by visiting your county elections office, library, DMV office, or U.S. post office. Find more info at https://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/voter-registration/

Can I do same day registration on Election Day?

- Yes! California offers conditional registration, from October 23 until Election Day.
- Go to your county elections office or other designated location to both register and cast your conditional ballot.
- Find more information about California's conditional registration at https://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/voter-registration/conditional-voter-reg/

Where can I vote on Election Day?

 Find your polling place at https://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/polling-place/

I'm not sure if I'm registered in California?

Check your status at: http://turbovote.org/

What is Absentee Voting/Voting by Mail?

- This allows you to vote by mail if you cannot vote in person on election day.
- You can find the vote-by mail ballot application at https://elections.cdn.sos.ca.gov/vote-by-mail/pdf/vote-by-mail-application.pdf
- Find more information about California's mail-in voting at https://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/voter-registration/vote-mail/#apply

Fun Fact

In April 2018, California launched the "California Moter Voter" which automatically registers and preregisters eligible Californians to vote as they complete a drivers license, state ID, or change of address at the DMV!

registration transactions took place!!

First time Voting on Election Day?

What to bring: |

You may want to bring an ID with you just to be safe.

- California doesn't require voters to show ID, but if you registered by mail and did not provide your driver's license, state ID, or Social Security number, you will be asked to provide ID
- EX: California driver's license, ID card, current utility bill, etc.
- In over 2 months nearly 800,000 voter If you don't have ID on you, don't worry! You can submit a provisional ballot and the election official will match your signature to the one on your voter registration form.

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YOU WILL BE AUTOMATICALLY REGISTERED TO VOTE WHEN YOU TURN 18