

Photo ID:

Michigan requires voters to present an approved photo ID. In the absence of a photo ID, voters may sign an affidavit swearing that they are not in possession of an ID at that time.

If a voter registered in a manner in which their ID was not verified, they should be prepared to provide a photo ID (and verification of address) their first time voting, or at the time they request an Absentee Ballot, to meet federal ID re-

Accessibility:

- ✓ Any voter may vote by Absentee Ballot.
- ✓ Every location MUST have a Voter Assist Terminal (VAT) that has many options to help you vote.
- ✓ If you have a concern about accessibility on Election Day, you should contact your clerk's office prior to that day; in some instances, you may qualify for curbside voting.
- ✓ You may bring someone with you that is not your employer, an agent of your employer, or an officer/agent of your union.

ABSENTEE BALLOT VOTING

1. Voter completes an Absent Voter *application*; it can be submitted online, by mail, e-mail, or in person. Forms can be found at the Michigan Voter Information Center (www.Michigan.gov/vote), or from your clerk.
2. Local clerks may maintain a Permanent Absent Voter Application list. Citizens on such a list will receive an application prior to every election. Note: ballots only follow completed applications..
3. Voter may complete the Absentee Ballot at their convenience (at home or at the clerk's office) and submit it in person, or by mail to local clerk. Note: the ballot must be packaged correctly, signed, and have correct 1st class postage. It must be received by 8:00pm on Election Day.

Special Notes Re: Absentee Voting:

- ◆ It is possible for a person, with appropriate proof of ID and residency, to register, get an absentee ballot, and vote all in the same day (within 40 days of an upcoming election)
- ◆ At all times, your signature should be relatively unchanged. If your signature has changed, consider asking for a new one to be put on file.
- ◆ There are very strict rules on WHO may handle Absentee Ballots.
- ◆ Throughout the process, citizens may check the status of their ballot on-line at <https://mVIC.sos.state.mi.us/> (MVIC).

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Michigan Voter
Information Center



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866OURVOTE.org



On-line Voter
Guide
available 30 days
before an Election



To use the QR codes,
open your smartphone camera and
carefully aim at the site you would like
to go to. Most cameras recognize the
code and prompt with a message asking
if you want to go to the website.

MI Constitutional Voting Rights Secured by Prop 3 in 2018

- ◆ Citizens may register to vote right up to and including Election Day (must be in-person in the 14 days before an election)
- ◆ Automatic voter registration when receiving or updating a state ID/driver's license (as of Nov 2019)
 - ◆ Online voter registration for those with a Michigan ID or Driver's License (as of Jan 2020)
- ◆ Absentee ballot available to ALL registered voters
 - ◆ Straight party voting as an option
 - ◆ Mandated Election Audits
- ◆ Military/Overseas ballots (45 days prior to Election Day)
 - ◆ Secret ballot guaranteed

Prop 3 passed in 80 of 83 Michigan counties in 2018

How to Get Information or Help:

- ✓ Your local or county clerk's office;
- ✓ **Michigan's Voter Information Center: www.michigan.gov/vote;**
- ✓ Michigan Bureau of Elections: (800) 292-5973 ;
- ✓ The League of Women Voters (LWV), ACLU, Common Cause, Michigan Voice, NAACP, or other voter advocacy group;
- ✓ Learn about your ballot at www.VOTE411.org;
- ✓ Election Day Election Protection Hotline: 866OurVote.org; 866-OUR-VOTE (English); 888-VE-Y-VOTA (Spanish); 844-418-1682 (Arabic); 888-API-VOTE (Asian/PI)

Special Note -REAL ID: It is important to keep a current ID, even if you do not drive. On October 1, 2021, new federal regulations will require anyone entering a federal building, or flying domestically by plane, have a license or state ID that has a gold star in the upper right corner.



TO REGISTER TO VOTE

- ◆ You must be a U.S. citizen;
- ◆ You must (or will) be a resident of Michigan and the city or township where you want to register for *at least 30 days* before Election Day;
- ◆ You are at least 18-years-old by Election Day.

How do I register?

- ◆ Automatic: As of November 2019, Michigan has automatic voter registration - when a person gets or renews a Michigan ID or Driver's License..
- ◆ On-Line, If the person has a valid Michigan ID/License and knows their Social Security number: <https://mVIC.sos.state.mi.us/registervoter>.
- ◆ In person, at any Secretary of State branch office OR your local/county clerks' office. Enter your address in the Michigan Voter Information Center (Michigan.gov/vote) to find your clerk.
- ◆ By mail: complete a voter registration application and mail it to your local clerk with a copy of your DL/ID, or proof of residency.
- ◆ When applying for services at state agencies that provide public assistance or services to people with disabilities.

Student Voters:

- ◆ You can register to vote at your school address or your home address—depending on what address you consider to be your residence.
- ◆ Your residence is where you habitually sleep, keep your belongings and have a regular place of lodging. This includes students from out-of-state.
- ◆ Michigan law **requires** your voter address and license/state ID address to match. IF you already have a Michigan driver's license/state ID and you register to vote at a different address, you will automatically receive a change of address sticker to affix to your license/ID.

What about someone who is homeless?

- ◆ You don't need a home to register, but you do need to identify a location you consider a place of residence; it can be a street corner, a park, a shelter or any other place where you usually stay.
- ◆ You also need to provide a mailing address, that you can receive mail (especially your voter registration card).

Incarcerated Persons:

- ◆ In Michigan, only persons who are currently incarcerated and serving a sentence for a misdemeanor or felony conviction are prohibited from voting.
- ◆ Probation or parole status does not limit access to the ballot.
- ◆ Those who are incarcerated, but not convicted, may obtain an absentee ballot.
- ◆ Your right to vote is automatically restored when you are released from incarceration.