

# VOTING IN NEVADA



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# INTRODUCTION

Access to free and fair elections is a cornerstone of our democracy. ACLU of Nevada's priority is to ensure every eligible voter has the opportunity to cast their ballot and make their voices heard. This resource has been assembled to be your go-to nonpartisan voting rights guide. It has information about all things related to voting, including registering to vote, casting your ballot, and how to get involved with the democratic process. It also provides valuable information for voters with special circumstances, including people with a disability, people who were incarcerated, students living on campus, and Nevadans experiencing homelessness.



For more information, feel free to visit any of these websites:

ACLU of Nevada: [aclunv.org](https://aclunv.org)

Nevada Secretary of State: [nvsos.gov](https://nvsos.gov)

866-OUR-VOTE: [866ourvote.org](https://866ourvote.org)

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# VOTER ELIGIBILITY

In Nevada, to be eligible to vote, you must be:

**18 years or older by Election Day**

**A U.S. citizen**

**A Nevada resident for at least 30 days before Election Day**

**Not currently imprisoned for a felony conviction**

# HOW TO REGISTER TO VOTE

## ONLINE

- If you are Nevada resident with a current and valid Nevada driver's license or I.D., you can register to vote online [here](#).

## BY MAIL

- If you prefer not to register online, you can mail a paper application by following the steps [here](#).
- To mail your voter registration, you must print and out and complete the application. Once complete, you must mail the application the your respective County Clerk/Registrar, which you can find [here](#).

## IN-PERSON

- Voters can register in person at any Nevada DMV office, County Clerk or Registrar office as well as at social service agencies, military recruitment offices, and on college campuses.
- Eligible Nevada voters with a valid state I.D. can also register to vote or update their voter registration information in person at any polling place.

# 2024 ELECTION DATES

**MAY 25 - JUNE 7**

Early Voting

**JUNE 11**

Primary Election

**OCT. 19 - NOV. 1**

Early Voting

**NOVEMBER 5**

General Election

## REGISTRATION DEADLINES

**May 14** Last day to register by mail or in person for primary election

**May 28** Last day to update registration and be mailed a primary election ballot

**Oct. 8** Last day to register by mail or in person for general election

**Oct. 22** Last day to update registration and be mailed a general election ballot



# SAME-DAY REGISTRATION

To use same-day registration, you **MUST** have a valid Nevada driver's license or I.D.\* and you **MUST** vote in person at that polling location.

If your Nevada driver's license or I.D. does not have your current address on it you will also need to provide proof of residence. The following list can be used as proof of residence:

- A military identification card;
- A utility bill, including but without limitation to, a bill for electric, gas, oil, water, sewer, septic, telephone, cellular telephone or cable television service
- A bank or credit union statement;
- A paycheck;
- An income tax return;
- A statement concerning the mortgage, rental or lease of a residence;
- A motor vehicle registration;
- A property tax statement;
- Any other document issued by a government agency; or
- A tribal identification card\*\*

\* **Check with your local DMV about updating your I.D.**

\*\* **Tribal I.D. information on page 5.**

## MORE INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE AT:

[RegisterToVote.NV.gov](https://RegisterToVote.NV.gov)

[NVSOS.gov/votersearch/](https://NVSOS.gov/votersearch/)

[NVSOS.gov/sos/elections/voters](https://NVSOS.gov/sos/elections/voters)

[aclunv.org/voting-in-nevada](https://aclunv.org/voting-in-nevada)

# 5 WAYS TO VOTE

## 1 VOTE BY MAIL

Nevada is a vote-by-mail state, meaning every registered Nevada voter will receive a mail ballot unless they have chosen to opt-out of receiving one. Make sure to **check the boxes and sign the envelope**; then mail your ballot back. **Mail ballots must be postmarked by Election Day.**

## 2 IN-PERSON EARLY VOTING

Any registered voter can vote before Election Day by casting a ballot in person at any early voting polling site. Be sure to check what time your preferred location opens and closes, locations have their own hours of operations during early voting.

## 3 EARLY VOTING BALLOT DROP OFF

Nevada is a vote-by-mail state, meaning every registered voter will receive a mail-ballot unless they have chosen to opt-out of receiving one. Once a voter has finished filling out their ballot, they can drop their ballot off in-person at any early voting location instead of mailing it.

## 4 IN-PERSON ON ELECTION DAY

Of course, you can also vote in person on Election Day. Polling locations on Election Day are open from 7 a.m. - 7 p.m. and **if you are in line before the polls close, you are still permitted to vote, so stay in line.**

## 5 ELECTION DAY BALLOT DROP OFF

Just like during early voting, voters can also drop off their filled out mail-ballots at any polling location on Election Day.

## SAME-DAY REGISTRATION WITH A TRIBAL I.D.

A tribal I.D. is valid for in-person registration, including same-day registration. You can use your tribal I.D. for same-day registration as long as it contains the following:

1. The full legal name of the card holder;
2. The date of birth of the card holder;
3. A unique number assigned to the card holder;
4. A digital photograph of the full face of the card holder;
5. The address of the principal residence of the card holder;
6. A physical description of the card holder, including, without limitation, the height, weight, hair color, and eye color of the card holder;
7. The usual signature of the card holder;
8. The date on which the card is issued; and
9. A reference to the tribal government which issued the card.



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# SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES WHEN VOTING

## VOTING AFTER A FELONY CONVICTION

In Nevada, if a person has been convicted of a felony, their voting rights are automatically restored upon their release from prison. The voter does not have to take any additional action to restore these rights, however they should still check to ensure their registration is still active and updated.

## VOTING IN A MUNICIPAL JAIL

People who are detained in city or county jails because they are being held pretrial or serving a misdemeanor sentence **have not** lost their right to vote. Nevada law requires that jails have policies and procedures in place to provide eligible voters access to register to vote and cast their ballot.

## PROVISIONAL VOTING

A provisional ballot is a full ballot and contains all the same contents, initiatives, etc. available for your precinct. These ballots can only be counted if certain provisions are met, meaning you are eligible to vote and you have not already cast a ballot in that election. If you same-day register you will be required to cast a provisional ballot until your eligibility is confirmed. The county clerk also has the right to require a voter to cast a provisional ballot if they have reasonable cause to believe it is necessary and provide sufficient time to verify the voter's eligibility. All provisional ballots are held for counting until all other mail and in-person ballots have been counted.



## VOTING IN A NON-ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Some counties in Nevada are required to provide language assistance in Spanish, Shoshone, Paiute, or other languages. Contact your county clerk before Election Day to find out what is available in your area. In places where language assistance is required, poll workers should offer this assistance; if they do not, tell a poll worker that you want assistance. You are entitled to a translation of all ballots and other election materials.

Even if language assistance is not available where you vote, you have the right to bring an interpreter with you to the polls or to get language assistance from anyone you choose, including a poll worker, as long as the person is not your employer, an agent of your employer, or an officer or agent of your labor union. If you don't have someone to translate for you, call the Election Protection hotline on **page 12**.

## VOTING WHILE HOUSELESS

You can vote if you don't have a home mailing address, but you will still need to provide documentation about where you normally reside when registering to vote. This physical location cannot be a P.O. Box, but it can be the address of a shelter, church, or even a description of a place like a specific street corner or park, as long as you normally reside there and have an intention to return to that location if you are temporarily located somewhere else. **Note that even if a shelter does not permit you to use its address as your mailing address, you can still use it for voter registration purposes if you normally reside there.**

If you are a first-time voter, you will need to present proof of identity and residency at the time you register to vote. If you are homeless or do not have a traditional street address you may sign a sworn affidavit under penalty of perjury to prove your identity and residence. If you need help navigating these requirements, please call the Election Protection Hotline on page 12.



## VOTING WHILE LIVING ON CAMPUS

If you are a student and living on campus during an election date, you can register to vote at either your school address or your home address, whichever you consider your primary legal residence.

## BALLOT CURING

**Nevada is a signature verification state, not a voter I.D. state.** When a voter casts their ballot, their signature is compared to the signature on file at the Clerk/Registrars office. If it is determined the signatures do not match, your ballot will need to be "cured." Curing your ballot allows a voter to confirm their identity and have their ballot counted.

If a ballot needs to be cured, the election department will contact you with further instructions on how cure your ballot. Ballots must be cured by 5 p.m. on the sixth day following Election Day.

Voters can track the status of their ballot [here](#).





## VOTING IN THE MILITARY OR OVERSEAS

If a voter is stationed overseas on a military assignment, temporarily overseas for school, or a U.S. citizen living abroad, they are considered an overseas elector.

Nevada's Effective Absentee System for Elections (EASE) is a completely online resource available for use by military and overseas voters, their spouses, and dependents, that integrates voter registration and electronic ballot delivery and marking.

Military and overseas voters must use their address of their last place of residence in Nevada, or in the case of a dependent, the address of their parent or guardian's last place of residence in Nevada when registering to vote.

Find more information about military and overseas voting [here](#).



**Military** - A member of the U.S. Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, Space Force, Merchant Marine of the United States, the Commissioned Corps of the Public Health Service, the Commissioned Corps of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, the National Guard or state militia, and any spouse or dependent of a person described above.

**Overseas Citizens** - An eligible voter who lives outside the United States. To vote in Nevada elections, this must be their last place of residence before leaving the country, and they can't be registered in another state. This applies to a spouse and dependents, even children who have never lived in the U.S., as long as they are a citizen and not registered in any other state.

## VOTING WITH DISABILITIES

In Nevada, all voters, including people with disabilities, have the following rights as protected by federal law:

- To vote privately and independently.
- Accessibility to the polling place, including an accessible route to enter the building.
- At least one accessible voting booth that includes ample room for wheelchair access that ensures privacy and independence.
- To receive assistance marking your ballot.
- To ask for reasonable accommodations at the polling place; examples include a chair to sit on, a magnifying glass, pen/paper, or a signature guide.
- Use an assistant to state your name and address when the poll worker requests if you cannot state your name and address.
- To vote curbside if you cannot get into your polling location due to disability.
- Similar to military members and overseas voters, voters with disabilities can utilize Nevada EASE to register to vote and cast a ballot. **See section above for more information about EASE.**



Find more information about voting with a disability [here](#).

# VOTER PROTECTION ALLIANCE ACLU Nevada

## WHAT IS VOTER PROTECTION ALLIANCE?

The ACLU of Nevada's Voter Protection Alliance is a nonpartisan program working to ensure our elections function fairly and in compliance with state and federal law. Our volunteers help us identify emerging threats to our democratic process and to confront these issues with legal actions if necessary. Legal observers serve a critical role as watchdogs throughout the election cycle, including after Election Day.

## WHO SHOULD VOLUNTEER?

Anyone who cares about voting rights! For us to send volunteers to all high priority polling locations across the state, we're going to need dozens, if not hundreds, of volunteers.

[VoterProtectionNV.org](https://VoterProtectionNV.org)





# HELPLINES

If you run into issues on election day, during early voting, or in preparing to register or vote, you can contact Election Protection or the following agencies for assistance:

## Election Protection Hotlines

English: 866-OUR-VOTE (866-687-8683)

Spanish/English: 888-VE-Y-VOTA (888-839-8682)

Asian languages/English: 888-API-VOTE (888-274-8683)

Arabic/English: 844-YALLA-US (844-925-5287)

## HOW TO BECOME A POLL WORKER

Poll workers serve a vital function in our elections. They check in voters, help people register to vote, process mail ballots, and more. These positions are often paid, training is provided, and they can provide a great opportunity to become more involved in the democratic process. To become a poll worker, you must submit an application to your county elections clerk. You can find your clerk's contact information and apply to be a poll worker [here](#).

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