



THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF METRO ST. LOUIS®

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Contact us for more information, to find out your districts or how to contact your elected officials.

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WHO CAN REGISTER

Any U.S. Citizen who is a resident of Missouri may register to vote when at least 17 ½ years old and may vote when at least 18 years old. Identification with a signature is needed in order to register.

You must register to vote at your current address.

The right to vote in Missouri is restored when you have completed a felony (or federal) sentence including any parole, probation or conditional release period. Official documentation of discharge from supervision must be presented to the local election authority. If you have been convicted of any crime involving voting, you may not vote unless you are pardoned.

Registration is permanent as long as you vote, report name and address changes, and re-register if you move to a new county.

WHEN AND WHERE TO REGISTER

In order to vote, you must register in the county where you reside.

You may register any time during regular office hours at any registration location.

You must be registered by the 4th Wednesday before an election.

You may register at election authorities, most libraries, city halls, state offices and many schools.

You may register by mail. You can obtain an application from the website of your local election authority or from the Missouri Secretary of State Website:

<http://www.sos.mo.gov/elections/goVoteMissouri/register.aspx>

LOCAL ELECTION AUTHORITIES

St. Louis City Board of Elections
300 N. Tucker
St. Louis, MO 63101
314-622-4336
8 a.m.-5 p.m., weekdays
www.stlelections.com

St. Louis County Board of Elections
725 Northwest Plaza Drive
St. Ann, MO 63074
314-615-1800
8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. weekdays
www.stlouisco.com/elections/

Jefferson County Clerk
Jefferson County Administration Center
729 Maple St.
Hillsboro, MO 63050
636-797-5487
8 a.m.-5 p.m. weekdays
www.jeffcomo.org/clerk

Franklin County Clerk
Franklin County Government Center
400 E Locust, Room 201
Union, MO 63084
636-583-6355
8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. weekdays
www.franklinmo.org

St. Charles County Clerk
397 Turner Blvd.
St. Peters, MO 63376
636-949-7550
8 a.m.-5 p.m. weekdays
www.sccmo.org/960/Election-Services

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WHY VOTE?

The right to vote remains the most valued privilege in our country. Voting is our way of expressing satisfaction or dissatisfaction with public officials and issues.

Voters can re-elect representatives or turn them out of office. The office-holder must consider the opinions of the voters if he or she wants to stay in office.

BE AN INFORMED VOTER!

The right to vote brings with it the responsibility to learn about the candidates and the issues.

- Attend candidate meetings and forums
- Read newspapers and news magazines
- Study the League Voters Guide
- Contact campaign and party offices & websites
- Consult issue-related interest groups
- Call The League of Women Voters®

VOTER IDENTIFICATION

Voters are required to provide a form of identification at the polling place. Acceptable forms of identification are: state or federal issued identification, college ID or driver's license, Election Board I.D., or a utility bill/ bank statement/ or another document containing the name and address of the voter.

VOTING INFORMATION

Polling places are open from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. on election days. Before elections, registered voters receive a postcard with the type of election and polling place.

Prior to the day of election, you may request time off from your employer to vote if you do not have a 3-hour period between 6 a.m. and 7 p.m. in which to vote.

CHANGE OF NAME OR ADDRESS

You may not report your address change until you have actually moved. If you remain within the same county, an address or name change can be made by sending a letter to the election authority indicating the old address (or name) and the new address (or name). All registered members of a household may sign the same letter. You may also report a name or address change (within the same county) at your polling place on election day.

If you move to a new county, it is necessary to re-register in your new county prior to the deadline.

Some jurisdictions allow changes to be made on the back of the voter identification card and mailed to the election authority. Contact your local election authority if you move between the deadline and the election, have an unusual circumstance, or have questions.

A person who moves to Missouri after the close of registration may still vote in federal elections.

INFORMATION FOR DISABLED VOTERS

Accommodations are available for disabled voters. Many polling places are accessible. A ballot can be brought outside the polling place for "Curbside Voting."

Disabled voters may request an absentee ballot for a single election or on a permanent basis.

YOU MAY VOTE ABSENTEE ONLY IF:

- You will be out of town
- You are ill or disabled
- You will be serving as an election judge
- You are on active duty with the military
- You are prevented by religious beliefs from going to the polls on election day
- You are incarcerated, providing that all qualifications for voting are retained

HOW TO VOTE ABSENTEE IN PERSON

Go to the Board of Elections or County Clerk's office during regular hours as early as 42 days before the scheduled election. Some offices have extended hours or are open on Saturdays prior to election. Be sure to check with your election authority for more specific information.

HOW TO VOTE ABSENTEE BY MAIL

In some instances, you may go to the election authority's website, download and print an absentee ballot request form to mail.

You may also write to the Board of Elections or County Clerk's office and request a ballot. You must include the following information in your written request for every household member requesting an absentee ballot.

1. Your name(s) as you are registered to vote
2. The address where you are registered
3. The address where you want the ballot(s) sent
4. The date of the elections for which you are requesting the ballot(s)
5. The reason you need to vote absentee
6. If it is a primary election, you must state which party ballot(s) you want
7. The last 4 digits of your social security number(s)
8. Your birthdate(s)
9. Your signature(s)

NOTE: A close relative may apply in person at the Board of Elections or the County Clerk's office to request a ballot be sent to you.

ABSENTEE BALLOT EXCEPTIONS

Absentee ballots must be notarized except for the following voters:

- Active duty military personnel & immediate family members living with them.
- Missouri citizens living outside the U.S.
- Those who are physically disabled or ill.
- Voters hospitalized after the Wednesday prior to the election may call their election authority for an absentee ballot or to make special arrangements.

ABSENTEE VOTING DEADLINES

To vote in person: 5 p.m. the day before the election

To request a mailed ballot: 5 p.m. the Wednesday before an election.

To return voted ballot: Return by mail or in person to the election authority before 7 p.m. on election day.

Requests for absentee ballots may be made as early as 70 days before an election.

HOW TO VOTE IN THE MILITARY

Persons serving in the military and their dependents may register to vote by obtaining Federal Form 76 from their Commanding Officer. This form also serves as a request for an absentee ballot. Mail Form 76 to the Board of Elections or County Clerk for the place of residence from which you want to vote. For more information on this process, and non-partisan voting information, contact the Unit Voting Assistant Officer.

VOTERS AND PETITIONS

As a registered voter, you will be urged to sign petitions. Petitions are a way citizens can place proposed laws on the ballot for everyone to vote for or against.

To place a proposed item on the ballot, the petition must have many signatures from registered voters in specific areas. Individuals who are collecting signatures are evident by the clipboards they are holding . . . usually standing outside buildings and at large functions.

Before signing a petition, make sure you understand the subject of the petition. Do you want the public to vote on this issue?

VOTE !