

Georgia's Voting Rules

Eligibility

To be eligible to vote, you must:

- . Be a United States citizen
- . Be a legal resident of your county
- . Be at least 17 1/2 years of age to register and 18 years of age to vote
- . Have not been found mentally incompetent by a judge
- . Have completed any felony sentence, including probation or parole, and have paid off related fines with possible [first-offender](#) exceptions

ID Requirements to Register

To [register](#), you will need one of the following:

- . Your Georgia driver's license number or state-issued ID card number
- . The last four digits of your Social Security number.

If you're registering by mail and for the first time in Georgia, and you don't have one of these IDs, or if the numbers you do provide are not verified in a state database, you must submit proof of residence, either with the registration application form or when you vote for the first time. Proofs include a copy of a current and valid photo ID, or a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or other government document that shows your name and address.

ID Requirements to vote

You are required to show one of the following forms of photo ID when voting in person, whether on Election Day or in Early Voting:

- . Any valid state or federal government issued photo ID, including a free ID Card issued by your county registrar's office or the Georgia DDS
- . A Georgia Driver's License, even if expired
- . Valid employee photo ID from any branch, department, agency, or entity of the U.S. government, Georgia, or any county, municipality, board, authority, or other entity of this state

- . Valid U.S. passport, military photo ID, or tribal photo ID
- Student IDs from most GA two- and four-year public colleges are acceptable, [see list](#) but not student IDs from private colleges.

For more on voting IDs, see this [page](#). If you do not have acceptable ID, you can vote provisionally. You will then have three days to show an acceptable form of ID to your county registrar.

Absentee/early voting

- . In Georgia you can vote absentee without providing a reason.
- . If you've voted before, you don't need to provide ID when voting absentee by mail. If you haven't, you'll need a copy of one of the IDs listed above.
- . You can apply for an absentee ballot [online or download](#) and mail an application form.
- . You can also vote **early in person**, bringing ID, starting on **December 14, 2020**.
- . You'll be able to find your county's early voting locationions, dates and times [here](#)

Address to use for registering and voting

Federal election law lets college students register and vote at **either** their campus address or their permanent home address, which may be in another state. But voters can be registered at only one address. If you won't physically be in Georgia on January 5, you will need to request an absentee ballot (or vote early).

Key Resources

- . Georgia [My Voter Page](#) and [Georgia Voter Information Guide](#)
- . Find your county and [board of registrars' office](#) and [election office](#)
- . Still have questions? Visit the [Voter Help Desk](#).