All U.S. citizens who are at least 18 years old on Election Day and have resided in their city or county for at least 30 days are eligible to vote, so long as they have not been declared mentally incompetent and are not currently incarcerated for a felony conviction. If this describes you, you are entitled to vote!

HOW DO I REGISTER TO VOTE?

IN PERSON - You can obtain, fill out, sign and submit a Voter Registration Form in person at your local county Board of Elections or Department of Motor Vehicles.

BY PHONE – You can call 1-800-FOR-VOTE (1-800-367-8683) to request a Voter Registration Form be mailed to your residence. Once you receive the form, you must fill it out, sign it, and mail it back to the Board of Elections in order to be registered.

BY MAIL – Voter registrations forms are available at libraries, government offices, or from many community-based organizations. Once you obtain a form, you must fill it out, sign it and mail it back to the Board of Elections in order to be registered.

ONLINE (if you have a NYS DMV-issued identification card) - through your MyDMV portal.

Not sure if you’re registered to vote already? Look yourself up by name at: https://voterlookup.elections.ny.gov/

LOCAL BOARD OF ELECTIONS OFFICES

Albany

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Mailing address: 224 South Pearl Street, Albany, NY 12202
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Troy, NY 12180
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GENERAL ELECTION DAY

TUESDAY, NOV. 8, 2022

*PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL OF THE DATES IN THIS BROCHURE RELATE TO THE 2022 GENERAL ELECTION
Can I register and vote in New York if I have a criminal record?

YES, IF...

- You have been charged with a felony or misdemeanor but have not yet been convicted (regardless of whether or not you are incarcerated pre-trial). Note: if you will still be incarcerated pre-trial as of June 28, 2022, you will need to vote by Absentee Ballot.
- You have been convicted of a misdemeanor (even if you are currently serving your sentence in the county jail). Note: if you will still be incarcerated as of June 28, 2022, you will need to vote by Absentee Ballot.
- You are on parole or probation for any crime*
- You were pardoned
- You were not sentenced to prison or had your prison sentence suspended
- You served your maximum sentence

NO, IF...

- You are currently in prison for a felony conviction.

*As of May 4, 2021, New Yorkers can vote after incarceration for a felony conviction, or while they are on parole or probation for a felony conviction. In these cases, your voting rights are automatically restored, BUT you have to re-register in order to vote.

Can I vote if I’m currently in jail?

Yes! You can (and should) vote by absentee ballot. Learn how to request an absentee ballot and cast your vote from jail on the next page of this brochure.

VOTING BY ABSENTEE BALLOT

STEP 1: You must APPLY for an absentee ballot before voting by absentee ballot. You can apply for an absentee ballot in any of the following ways:

- Go in person to your local county board of elections any time before Nov. 7th
- Mailing or faxing your application to your local county board of elections. Your application must be received by your local county Board of Elections no later than Oct. 24th
- Going online to the Application portal at: https://absenteeballot.elections.ny.gov/

STEP 2: Once you have received your absentee ballot, you can cast your ballot in any of the following ways:

- Putting it in the mail ensuring it receives a postmark no later than Nov. 8th
- Bringing it to your county board of elections office no later than Nov. 8th by 9 pm
- Bringing it to an early voting poll site in your county between Oct. 29th and Nov. 6th
- Bringing it to a poll site in your county on Nov. 8th by 9 PM.

BE AWARE that due to a recent change in NYS law, voters are no longer permitted to cast a ballot on a voting machine if they have already been issued an absentee ballot for that election. Voters who have already been issued an absentee ballot can still vote in person using an affidavit ballot! If this situation happens to you and someone at the polling place gives you a hard time, remind them that you have the right to vote by affidavit ballot.