

# GUIDE TO VOTER ★ REGISTRATION ★

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PRESIDENTIAL GENERAL ELECTION  
NOVEMBER 3, 2020

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# Registering to Vote

## Requirements



- A United States citizen and resident of California
- 18 or older on or before Election Day
- Not currently in state or federal prison or on parole for the conviction of a felony
- Not currently found mentally incompetent to vote by a court

## Find a Paper Form



You may pick up a paper registration form at your local county elections office, library, Department of Motor Vehicles offices, or U.S. post office. To request a paper voter registration form be mailed to you, please call (800) 345-VOTE(8683) or email [voterinfo@rov.sccgov.org](mailto:voterinfo@rov.sccgov.org).

## Register Online



You may also register to vote online at: <https://www.registertovote.ca.gov/>.

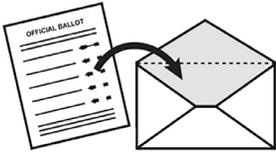
## Deadline



Forms must be postmarked or hand-delivered to your county elections office at least 15 days before the election. If you miss the deadline, you may take advantage of the Conditional Voter Registration (CVR) process. Learn more at [sccvote.org](http://sccvote.org).

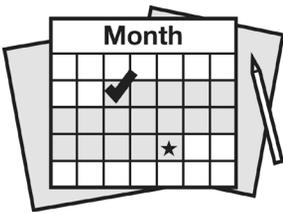
# Ways to Vote

## Vote by Mail



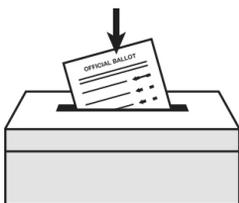
All voters will receive a ballot in the mail. Return it by mail, drop it off at any Santa Clara County drop box, or in person at the Registrar of Voter's office or Vote Center. Find a near by drop box or Vote Center at [sccvote.org](http://sccvote.org).

## In person before Election Day



You may vote early at our office, Oct. 5 – Nov. 3, or at any Vote Center in Santa Clara County, Oct 31 – Nov 3.

## At a Vote Center on Election Day



Vote Centers are open on Election Day, **November 3, 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

Find a Vote Center near you:

- Online at [sccvote.org](http://sccvote.org)
- By calling the Registrar of Voters at (408) 299-VOTE

# Important Dates



## **October 5**

First day to vote in person at your local Registrar of Voters

## **October 19**

Last day to register to vote

## **October 20**

Conditional Voter Registration begins

## **October 27 by 5:00 p.m.**

Last day to request a replacement Vote by Mail ballot to be mailed to you

## **October 31**

Voter Centers open for in person voting

## **November 3**

Election Day – polls open 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.



Find out more at [sccvote.org](https://www.sccvote.org) or (408) 299-VOTE (8683)

# What to expect at a Vote Center

When you arrive, election staff will be there to help you. Please follow COVID-19 prevention protocols.

**Check in**



**Get your ballot**



**Go to the voting booth  
and mark your selections**

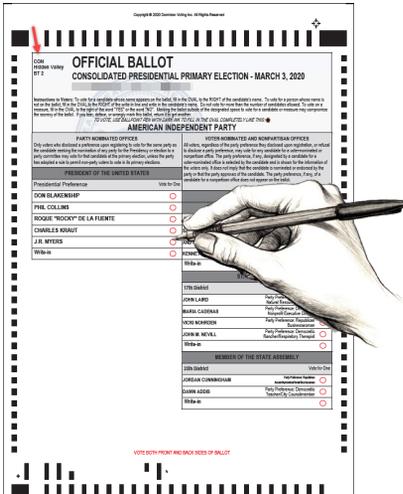


**Review your selections  
and cast your ballot**

*If you are not on the voter list, election staff will direct you to vote a provisional or conditional ballot.*

# How to mark your ballot

## To vote paper ballot

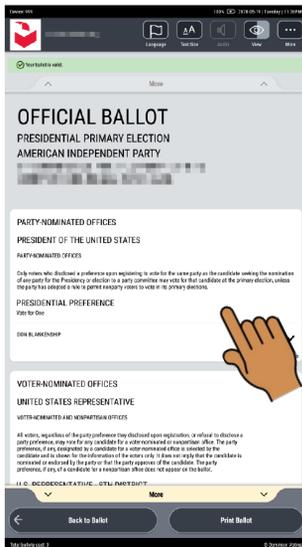


Make your selection by filling in the oval next to your choice(s).

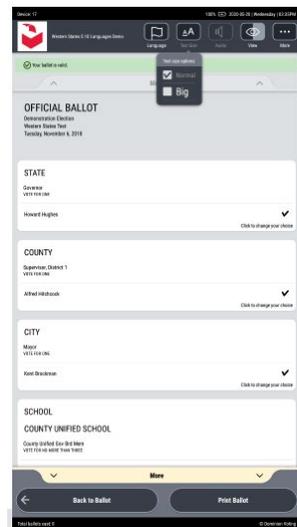


When you're done, place ballot(s) inside secrecy sleeve, walk to the Ballot Scanner and insert one card at a time.

## To vote touchscreen



Make your selections on the screen.



Check your votes before you cast your ballot.

# Accessible Voting

## Before Election Day

Voters with a disability or illness can vote with a vote-by-mail ballot or in person before Election Day. Go to [sccvote.org](http://sccvote.org) to learn more.

## On Election Day



There are accessible voting systems at each vote center.

If you have a physical disability, you may vote from your vehicle at the Vote Center. Remember to bring a helper with you who can go in to request your curbside assistance.

Get help reading or writing from election staff or your own helper.

## Remote Accessible Vote-by-Mail Ballot

Instead of using a paper Vote by Mail ballot, you can access an **electronic version of your ballot**, which can be marked using your own assistive technology at home. When you are done, you must print your ballot and return it to the Registrar of Voters for your ballot to be counted. Your ballot selections are not transmitted electronically through the Internet.

# Know Your Voter Rights

## You have the right to:

- **Vote if you are a registered voter even if your name is not on the list.** You will be directed to vote provisionally. Your provisional ballot will be counted after elections officials have confirmed that you are registered to vote in that county, and you did not already vote in that election.
- **Vote if you are still in line when the Vote Center or Registrar of Voters' office closes.**
- **Cast a secret ballot** without anyone bothering you or telling you how to vote.
- **Request a new ballot if you have not already cast a ballot.** Request a new ballot from an Elections Official at any Vote Center or from the Registrar of Voters' office.
- **Ask for help when casting your ballot** from anyone you choose, except from your employer or union representative.
- **Drop off your completed vote-by-mail ballot at any Vote Center** in Santa Clara County.
- **Receive election materials in a language other than English** if available.
- **Ask questions to election officials about election procedures** and observe the election process. If the person you ask cannot answer your questions, they must send you to the right person for an answer.
- **Report any illegal or fraudulent election activity** to an election official or the Secretary of State's office.