

Crossover Voting

What is Crossover Voting?

Presidential Primaries are unique because political parties can let No-Party Preference voters "crossover" into their party and vote for one of their presidential candidates.

For this election, the **American Independent***, **Democratic** and **Libertarian** parties allow "crossover" voting by voters registered as No-Party Preference.

Vote By Mail voters who are registered as No-Party Preference and want to vote for one of those three parties listed above can do so and must indicate this on the ballot application.

Voters who go to the polls and are registered as No-Party Preference simply need to request a "crossover" ballot upon checking-in at their polling location.

The **Republican, Green, and Peace and Freedom** parties **are not allowing "crossover"** voting in this election.

Voters who are registered as No-Party Preference and would like to vote for a Republican, Green, or Peace & Freedom Presidential candidate must re-register with that party to vote for that party's presidential candidate. The registration deadline is May 23, 2016.

*American Independent is a political party and is not the same as No-Party Preference.

Common Questions:

1) Who can "crossover"?

Only No-Party Preference voters can "crossover" in this election.

2) What Parties are allowing "crossover" voting?

The American Independent, Democratic, and Libertarian parties are allowing "crossover" voting this election.

3) What if I want to vote for a Republican, Green, or Peace and Freedom presidential candidate?

You must be registered as Republican to vote for a Republican presidential candidate, or as Green to vote for a Green Party presidential candidate, or as Peace and Freedom to vote for a Peace and Freedom presidential candidate.

4) What if I'm registered with a political party, but I want to vote for another political party's presidential candidate?

You can only vote for a presidential candidate in your own political party. You need to re-register with that other political party.

5) When is the last day I can change my political party for this election?

May 23, 2016 is the last day you can register to vote or change your party preference for the June 7, 2016 election.