YOU CAN VOTE FOR THESE CANDIDATES

PRIMARY AND GENERAL ELECTIONS

even-numbered years

NATIONAL

Four-year term: President and Vice President. Six-year term: Two Senators. Two-year term: One Representative.

STATE

Two-year term: Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, Treasurer, Auditor of Accounts, Attorney General.

LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

Two-year term: State Senator and Representative. (one or more depending on population)

COUNTY

Four-year term: Assistant Judges, Judge of Probate, States Attorney, Sheriff.

TOWN

Two-year term: Justices of the Peace. *(number dependent on population)*

ANNUAL MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

Elected Positions based on Charter

ONE TO THREE YEAR TERMS

Selectboard, Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, Constable, Town Agent, Grand Juror, Auditor, Listers.

OTHER MUNICIPAL UNITS

Check Annual Report for positions to be filled.

SCHOOL DISTRICT

Terms vary from one to three years. School Board Directors.

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

Democracy is Not a Spectator Sport



Since our founding in 1920, we pledged to be nonpartisan, neither supporting nor opposing candidates or political parties at any level of government, and always encouraging informed and active participation of citizens in government.

Our mission is to Empower Voters and Defend Democracy.

"The right to vote is a fundamental principle of our democracy. When more Americans can participate in our elections, the outcome better reflects who we are as a country."

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VOTING in Vermont



"The right to vote is at risk when you choose not to exercise it."

-Hon. William K. Sessions III

TO VOTE IN VERMONT

You must be:

- A citizen of the United States
- A resident of the state of Vermont and town from which you apply
- At least 18 years on or before Election Day (17-year-olds may pre-register)
- Willing to take or have taken the Voter's Oath

REGISTERING TO VOTE

When you apply for or renew your driver's license or state ID, you are automatically registered to vote, with the right to opt out. Or, you can complete a Voter Registration Form (Application for Addition to the Checklist) at your Town Clerk's office, onlineat <u>olvr.vermont.gov</u>, or at the Polls on Election Day. If you move to a new town or change your name, you will need to re-register. Town and County Clerks Rosters are updated annually: <u>bit.ly/2022TownClerksGuide</u>

There is no party registration for local or state primaries. For statewide primaries, voters receive all party ballots, vote one ballot and return it and the other unfilled ballots as directed. To vote in the presidential primary, you must request the party ballot of your choice and will receive only that party's ballot.

Check your rights as a voter in Vermont at <u>bit.ly/VTVoterBillofRights</u> or by calling (800) 439-VOTE (8683).

MY VOTER PAGE

This online resource through the Secretary of State is available to registered voters. The website allows you to create your own account, check and update voter status, request and track absentee ballots, find your polling place, view a sample ballot and more at: mvp.vermont.gov

THE ANSWER IS YES!

You can register to vote if you:

- Serve in the military, are at college, in a nursing home or health care facility, in prison or released, homeless, or living abroad. Use the address of the last town in which you resided.
- Attend college in Vermont.
- Live out of state temporarily.
- Live in Brattleboro and are 16 years on Election Day (local elections only).
- Are a non-U.S. citizen resident living in Burlington, Montpelier, or Winooski (local elections only).

VOTER CHECKLIST

- ✓ Your name and address will appear on the Voter Checklist of the town where you live. Review the Voter Checklist posted by your Town Clerk to make sure you are registered or check your status at mvp.vermont.gov.
- ✓ If you do not wish to have your name on the checklist because of domestic violence, sexual abuse, or stalking, apply for participation in Vermont's Safe At Home program, <u>sos.vermont.gov/secretary-of-</u> <u>state-services/safe-at-home.</u> You will receive use of a substitute Montpelier post office box address.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE

Vermont offers same-day registration. You may register to vote on any day including Election Day.

POLLS

Polls are open between 5 and 10 a.m. and close at 7 p.m. Find your polling location at: <u>sos.</u> <u>vermont.gov/elections/voters/polling-places.</u> Early voters can deposit ballots in drop boxes. Find your ballot drop box at <u>bit.ly/dropbox-list</u>.

VOTER IDENTIFICATION

You do not need to show identification to vote, except if you are registering for the first time by mail or online. You must include a photocopy of an acceptable form of ID (Vermont DMV-issued Driver's License, non-driver ID, or passport), or current utility bill, bank statement or other government document showing a VT residence.

VOTING BY ABSENTEE BALLOT

For Primary and General Elections, you will receive your ballot in the mail as long as you are registered five days before the election. You can also vote early by absentee ballot at your Town or City Clerk's Office. Request your ballot online at your My Voter Page (mvp.vermont.gov), or from your Town Clerk by telephone, fax, email, mail or in person by the close of your Clerk's office the day before Election Day.

Voting starts as early as 45 days before statewide elections and 20 days before municipal elections using Australian ballot. For your vote to be counted, you must return your voted ballot inside the signed certificate envelope to the Town Clerk by close of office or deliver it to the polling place by 7:00 p.m. on Election Day. Requests for absentee ballots must be made every election year. sos.vermont.gov/elections/voters/early-absentee-voting

DATES TO REMEMBER

Vermont Primary Election Day: Second Tuesday in August of even-numbered years.

General Election: First Tuesday after the first Monday in November of even-numbered years.

Municipal and School District Elections: First Tuesday in March, annually, unless otherwise provided in the charter or voted for by the Town or City.

Special Town or School District Elections: As needed. Look for public notices in local newspapers or postings.