



DEADLINES TO REGISTER TO VOTE

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See below for a summary of the deadlines to register to vote in person or by absentee in New Hampshire. Also, see the NH Secretary of State webpage: <https://www.sos.nh.gov/elections/register-vote/registration-deadlines>.

If you have any questions about registering to vote or voting, contact your town or city clerk.

Registering to vote before election day (for a person not enrolled)

If you aren't enrolled, you can register to vote up to 6 to 13 days before the election at your local town or city clerk's office or at a scheduled local supervisor of the checklist meeting. Registration deadlines vary by community so reach out to your local clerk. To find your local city clerk in NH, search for "[Your Town Name] NH" online and look for a link to the official town or city website or call the town's general information number.

Registering to vote in person on election day

If you are not sure that you are registered, you can check by going to "<https://app.sos.nh.gov/voterinformation>".

You must be in line at your polling place by the time polls close to be able to register and vote and you must have the required documentation with you.

When you get to your polling place, you will be asked to check-in. If you aren't enrolled, the supervisor of the checklist will ask you for proof of your identity, age, U.S. citizenship and domicile (primary residence address). You will also be asked to fill out a Voter Registration form.

You can use the NH Secretary of State's Voter Information Lookup "<https://app.sos.nh.gov/viphome>" to find your designated polling location and hours.

For a list of some examples of documents you can use to prove each qualification to register to vote, visit the Register to Vote page at [Register to Vote | New Hampshire Secretary of State](#).

Visit the NH Secretary of State "Proof of Voter Registration Qualifications" page at "<https://www.sos.nh.gov/proof-voter-registration-qualifications>" for additional resources including a "Voter Guide".

Per the N.H. Secretary of State's website, you may present documents in paper, photocopy, or electronic form. See "[The State of New Hampshire, Registering to Vote in New Hampshire](#)".

Registering to vote absentee

Supervisors of the Checklist must review and approve your application. You are registered to vote when the supervisors approve the application.

Supervisors of the checklist are required to meet on a date 6 to 13 days before the election and then on election day at the polls to correct the voter checklist. If you return your absentee voter registration forms before the meeting scheduled 6 to 13 days ahead of the election, your application will be reviewed at that meeting. If you return your registration after that meeting and by the absentee deadlines, your application will be reviewed on election day.

Requesting and returning an Absentee Ballot Application form

You can request an absentee ballot up to six months before the election.

The deadline to request an absentee ballot by mail is 12:00 p.m. the day before the election. The deadline to request in person is 5:00 p.m. the day before the election.

The United States Postal Service recommends putting your completed absentee ballot in the mail at least one week before the election. Therefore, if you rely on receiving and returning your absentee ballot by mail, you should request your ballot more than two weeks before election day.

If you are mailing or emailing the Absentee Ballot Application form, it must be received by the city clerk no earlier than 6 months and no later than noon the day before an election. If this timeline is not adhered to, the application will be denied.

After you have applied for an absentee ballot, you can go to the New Hampshire Secretary of State's Voter Information Look-up website at "<https://app.sos.nh.gov/>" to find out if your clerk has received your request, when the absentee ballot was sent to you, and when your clerk received your completed absentee ballot.

For more details about absentee ballots, see the NH Secretary of State webpage, "[Absentee Ballots](#)".

The above summary is based on NH election law information provided on the NH Secretary of State website (as of 11/2025), as part of the UUSL current events group's "Get Out the Vote" initiative.

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