



GET READY TO VOTE

Voting is a privilege and duty, but sometimes it is not clear what processes voters need to follow or what help is available.

GENERAL ELECTION - November 6 , 6:30 am- 7:30 pm.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE - October 16

EARLY VOTING - October 24- November 3, 8:30-4:30; 9-5 on the two Saturdays.

REGISTER TO VOTE

You must be 18 by November 6 to vote in the 2018 general election. You may apply to register to vote online on the WV Secretary of State's website (computers are available in the libraries); in person at the office of Voter Registration in the courthouse, Department of Health and Human Resources (DHHR), and Division of Motor Vehicles; or by a special mail in voter registration post card, available on the Secretary of State's website, Voter Registration Office, or the libraries. The quickest way to obtain your voter registration card is at the Voter Registration Office, if you provide your WV ID or an official, accepted proof of address. If you are a student, you may choose whether to register in your home county or where you are going to school.

If you have already registered to vote but wish to find out your registration status, you may access that information at the Voter Registration Office or on the WV Secretary of State's website -- Elections-Voter Registration- Check Your Voter Registration. The site also provides information on your polling place and WV delegate district.

AT THE POLLS (Election Day or Early Voting)

Do not be afraid to ask for help. The duty of the poll workers is to assist all voters. The polling places are accessible and handicapped parking is available.

IDENTIFICATION

You will need to bring ID to show to the poll workers before you vote. West Virginia allows all kinds of ID -- drivers license, utility bill, student, SNAP and TANF. Medicaid, Medicare, Social Security, Voter Registration, etc. If your ID is not listed here, check with the Secretary of State's Office for a longer list.

ASSISTED VOTING

Some voters require assistance to vote because of advanced age, blindness, disability, or inability to read or write. If you need assistance, you may bring your own person to assist you as long as the assister is NOT your employer, agent of your employer, agent of your labor union, or candidate for election. If you do not bring your own person to assist you, a Democrat poll worker and a Republican poll worker will together assist you. If you are a disabled voter, you will be allowed 15 minutes to vote.

After you sign the poll book, you may ask the poll workers to vote privately on an ADA-compliant machine with the following accessibility features: An easy touch-screen interface that requires little dexterity; braille-embossed navigation buttons; and audio reading of your ballot. If necessary, poll workers will assist you in operating the machine.

EARLY VOTING

The same provisions apply as at the polls on election day. Locations - Cabell County Courthouse, Ona Sheriff's Field Office, Marshall University Memorial Student Center.

ABSENTEE VOTING

If you cannot make it to the polls during the Early Voting period or on Election Day, you may be eligible to vote an absentee ballot by mail. Check the Secretary of State's website or the voter registration office for eligibility to vote absentee and to obtain the application.

If you are homebound, you may fill out a special application to be put on a Permanent Absentee Voting list. The application is available on the WV Secretary of State's website. Also you will need to provide a doctor's signature to vote from your residence. The County Clerk will mail you a ballot on the 46th day before the election.

Emergency absentee voting is also available. Contact the voter registration office for information.

INFORMATION ABOUT CANDIDATES

- WV Secretary of State's website lists the names of candidates for federal and statewide offices, legislative districts, and the Greater Huntington Park and Recreation District.
- Organizations, such as the League of Women Voters, host candidates meetings. Some are informal and some allow audience members to submit questions to the candidates.
- Radio and TV candidates meetings
- Websites - candidates and political parties. League of Women Voters of WV - congressional districts candidates Q and A's.
- The Huntington Herald-Dispatch prepares a special Elections issue

CONTACTS AND RESOURCES

Courthouse - The handicapped entrance is on the 7th St. side with an elevator to all floors.

Cabell County Clerk - Phyllis Smith, Monday-Friday, 8:30-4:30; (304) 526-8625; psmith@cabellcountyclerk.org. Voter Registration Office - Kelli Allen. (304) 526-8633. Located on the First Floor of the Courthouse. Address - 750 5th Avenue, Suite 108, Huntington, WV 25701.

WV Secretary of State - Mac Warner, Monday – Friday, 8:30 AM to 5 PM. Phone: (304) 558-6000; Toll-Free (866) 767-8683; <https://sos.wv.gov/>

Empowering Voters, Defending Democracy

The League of Women Voters of the Huntington Area prepared this information as a community service. The League is a nonpartisan, volunteer organization working to promote political responsibility through informed and active participation of citizens in government. The League does not support or oppose any political party or candidate. It does support or oppose legislation after serious study and substantial agreement among its members. Membership is open to anyone 16 years of age or older. Dues are \$45 per individual and \$60 for two members in a household. Full time students' memberships are free. Dues may be sent to 8 Partridge Dr., Huntington, WV 25705. Contact information - 304-522-0983; 304-736-3287.

Please click these links to listen to some important information about voter registration.

[How to Register to Vote](#)

[Election Dates and Important Contact Information](#)

[Assistance for People With Disabilities](#)

[Absentee, Home-bound, and Assisted Living Residents](#)

[New Express Voting Machine Information](#)