



# CONNECTICUT SECRETARY OF THE STATE VOTING FACT SHEET FOR RESTORING VOTING RIGHTS

*ON ELECTION DAY POLLS ARE OPEN FROM 6AM TO 8PM.*

## AM I ELIGIBLE TO VOTE IN CT?

- Are you at least 17 and turning 18 on or before Election Day?
- Are you a United States Citizen living in Connecticut?
- If you have been convicted of a felony, have you completed confinement and parole?

*If you can answer YES to all three of these questions, you are eligible to vote in CT*

## RESTORATION OF VOTING RIGHTS OF CONVICTED FELONS

A person who has been convicted of a felony and committed to confinement in a state of CT correctional institution, or facility, or community residence shall be eligible to have their voting privileges restored upon the release from confinement, parole, and payments of any fines (if applicable.)

## HOW DO I REGISTER TO VOTE IN CT?

There are two different ways you can register to vote in CT. You are able to register online if you have a CT DMV ID, otherwise you are able to complete a paper registration card and deliver it to your local Registrar of Voters before the registration deadlines. CT also has Election Day Registration available. Visit [myvote.ct.gov](http://myvote.ct.gov), for more info.

## IMPORTANT CONNECTICUT ELECTION DATES AND DEADLINES

Election Day is Tuesday, November 8th

Online Voter Registration Deadline-November 1st

Mail Postmark Voter Registration Deadline- November 1st

In-Person Voter Registration Deadline- November 1st

Absentee Ballots Available- Friday, October 7th

Absentee Ballots Returned to the local Town Clerk (or will not be counted)- 8pm Close of Polls

*This material is designed to provide basic information to the voters of Connecticut and is not meant to be a comprehensive review of Connecticut election law. Please contact the Secretary of the State at (860) 509-6100 if you have specific questions, concerns or complaints.*

## WHAT IS AN ACCEPTABLE FORM OF IDENTIFICATION FOR VOTING?

Your identification must fit one of the following requirements for it to be accepted as a valid form of ID at the polls:

- name and address, or name and signature, or, name and photograph

There may be other instances where some additional types of identification may be required. Contact your local registrar of voters' office or visit [myvote.ct.gov](http://myvote.ct.gov), for more information on ID requirements.

## I AM UNABLE TO VOTE ON ELECTION DAY, AM I STILL ABLE TO VOTE?

You are able to apply for an absentee ballot for the following reasons:

- active service in the U.S. armed forces;
- absence from town during all hours of voting;
- illness;
- physical disability
- your religion forbids secular activity on that day; or
- your performance of duties as an election official at a polling place other than your own during all hours of voting.

After you mail in your absentee ballot application to the local Town Clerk, they will mail you back your absentee ballot to fill out and send back. For links and deadlines to apply visit [myvote.ct.gov](http://myvote.ct.gov)

## WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN MY PHYSICAL AND MAILING ADDRESS?

A mailing address is some place where you are able to receive mail and your physical address is where you are located. Your physical address determines where you vote, not mailing address. Visit [myvote.ct.gov](http://myvote.ct.gov), for more info.

## WHAT HAPPENS IF I MISS ONE OF THE REGISTRATION DEADLINES, CAN I STILL REGISTER AND VOTE? (ELECTION DAY REGISTRATION)

You may register and vote in person on Election Day if you meet the eligibility requirements for voting in this state and you are not already registered, OR you are registered in one town and want to change your registration because you currently reside in another town. Election Day Registration is not available at your polling place. Contact your local registrar of voter's office for information about your town's designated EDR location and ID requirements. You will need to provide proof of identity and residency. Visit [myvote.ct.gov](http://myvote.ct.gov), for more info.

***FOR LINKS AND MORE DETAILED INFORMATION PLEASE VISIT  
MYVOTE.CT.GOV***