



Disability
Rights
Maryland

Empowerment. Integration. Equality.

VOTING PRESIDENTIAL PRESENTATION 2020

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VOTE BECAUSE IT MATTERS



2020 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION



WHY VOTING MATTERS



The leaders and ballot measures we choose control laws and policies that directly affect people with disabilities and impact access to important opportunities:

Housing

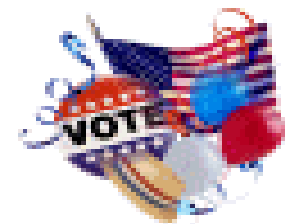
Education

Health and Mental Health Care

Transportation

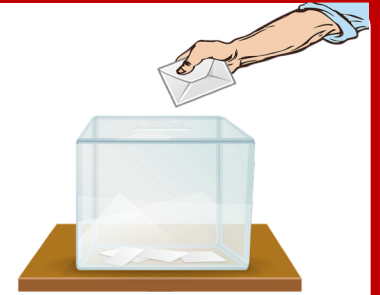
Employment

"Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness"



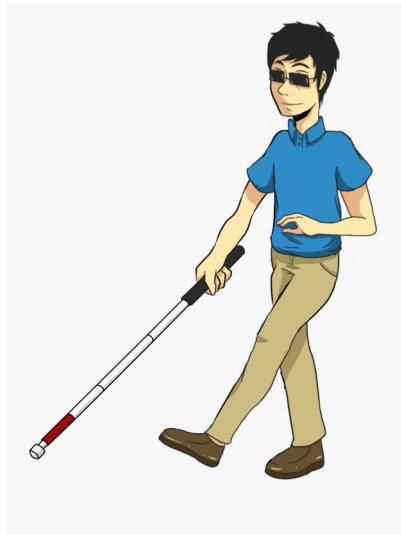


WHO CAN VOTE:



**Registered Voters:
18 Years Old
A U.S Citizen;
A Maryland Resident**

The deadline to register
to vote in Maryland is
October 13 , 2020.



**How To Register
[Maryland's Online Voter Registration System \(OLVR\)](#)**

**[https://elections.maryland.gov/voter_services/OLVR
Welcome_and_Navigation.html](https://elections.maryland.gov/voter_services/OLVR_Welcome_and_Navigation.html)**





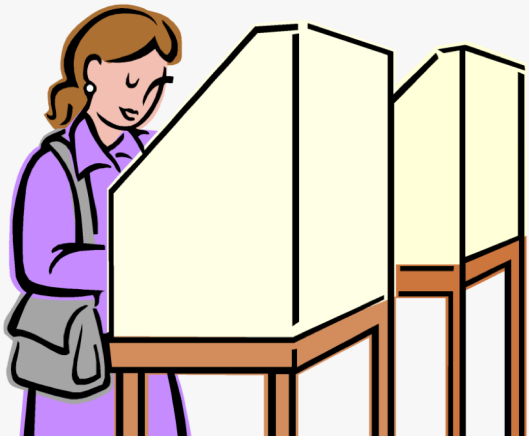
Different ways to Vote



You can vote by mail

You can go to an early vote center

You can go to a vote center on election day





IF YOU MISS THE DEADLINE



You must go in person to an early voting center.
You must go to an early voting center Monday October 26,2020 to Monday November 2,2020
Including Saturday and Sunday from 7am to 8pm
Or go to a election day voting center
Tuesday November 3,2020 7am to 8pm



Be sure to bring a document that proves where you live. Such as an MVA-issued ID or proof of address, e.g. Utility bank, bank statement, etc



Vote by Mail (Mail-in Ballot)

- Maryland voters who have requested a mail-in ballot can expect to receive their ballot beginning at the end of September.

If you chose to receive your ballot by email, you will receive an email with a link that will allow you to print and mail your ballot.

If you chose to receive your mail-in ballot by U.S. Mail, simply follow the instructions with your ballot and return it in the postage-paid return envelope that accompanies your ballot.

- Your mail-in ballot must be mailed or dropped in a designated drop box location by 8 pm on Election Day, November 3. If you mail your ballot, it must be postmarked on or before November 3, 2020 to be counted.

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Completing your Ballot



- **When filling out your ballot, remember to:**
 - **Use Black Ink to Mark your Ballot**
 - **Sign the Return Envelope. Do Not Sign the Ballot.**
 - **Seal your Return Envelope**
 - **Send your Ballot using the Postage-Paid Return Envelope**
- Ballot using the Postage-Paid Return Envelope**





Mail-in Ballot Request Form



Mail-in ballot request forms will be mailed to every registered voter and are presently available for download on MDBoE's website.

Maryland Application for an Absentee Ballot 2020 Elections

Anyone registered to vote in Maryland can vote by absentee ballot, which lets you vote in an election without going to a polling place. If you are a military voter stationed outside of Maryland or live outside of the U.S., go to vsp.gov to fill out the Federal Post Card Application. You can register to vote in Maryland online at elections.maryland.gov/voting/absentee.html or your local election office (see attached list).

How to ask for an absentee ballot

- Fill out this form and get it to your local election office before the deadline, or ask for your absentee ballot online at elections.maryland.gov/voting/absentee.html.

How will you receive your absentee ballot?

- On this form, you choose how you want to receive your ballot: through U.S. Mail, fax, or we will send you an email with a link so you can print your ballot.
- You can also pick it up in person, or have someone pick it up:
 - If you want someone to pick up your ballot for you, you need to provide a Designation of Agent form. Get this form at your local election office or online at elections.maryland.gov/voting/absentee.html.
 - The person who picks up your ballot must be at least 18 years old and cannot be a candidate on your ballot. You can also have this person return your voted ballot to your local election office. This person must sign a form to show that he or she handled the ballot properly.

Deadlines for returning this form

Your deadline depends on how you send in this form, and on how you want to receive your ballot.

- Special Primary Election -- 7th Congressional District
 - If you want your local election office to mail or fax you a ballot:
 - Make sure this form is in our office by 8 pm on Tuesday, January 28, 2020.
 - Or send us this form by email or fax by 11:59 pm.
 - If you want to print your ballot from a link:
 - Make sure this form is in our office by 5 pm on Friday, January 31, 2020.
 - Or send us this form by email or fax by 11:59 pm.
- Presidential Primary Election/Special General Election -- 7th Congressional District
 - If you want your local election office to mail or fax you a ballot:
 - Make sure this form is in our office by 8 pm on Tuesday, April 21, 2020.
 - Or send us this form by email or fax by 11:59 pm.
 - If you want to print your ballot from a link:
 - Make sure this form is in our office by 5 pm on Friday, April 24, 2020.
 - Or send us this form by email or fax by 11:59 pm.
- Presidential General Election
 - If you want your local election office to mail or fax you a ballot:
 - Make sure this form is in our office by 8 pm on Tuesday, October 27, 2020.
 - Or send us this form by email or fax by 11:59 pm.
 - If you want to print your ballot from a link:
 - Make sure this form is in our office by 5 pm on Friday, October 30, 2020.
 - Or send us this form by email or fax by 11:59 pm.

You can ask for this form in large type.

State Board of Elections P.O. Box 6365, Annapolis, MD 21404-0365 888-233-6889 MD Voting Service 800-720-2226 elections.maryland.gov

Request an Absentee ballot: <https://elections.maryland.gov/voting/documents/Special Election Absentee Application.pdf>

Maryland Application for an Absentee Ballot

Register to Vote 1 You must be registered to vote an absentee ballot. If you are not registered to vote in Maryland and want to register, contact your local election office for the attached sheet or go to elections.maryland.gov.

Print your name. Use black or blue ink. 2 Last name _____ Jr. Sr. Middle name or initial _____ First name _____

Election 3 I want an absentee ballot for Special Primary Election - 7th Congressional District Presidential Primary/Special General Presidential General All Elections Party Affiliation: Democrat Republican Other: Specify _____

About you 4 Email Address _____ Birthdate _____ Phone _____ Address _____ Apt. number _____ City/Town _____ State _____ Zip Code _____ When did you move here? _____ If you do not remember the exact date, give the month and year.

Choose one: U.S. MAIL I want my ballot for the SPECIAL PRIMARY ELECTION-7TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT mailed to me as above The address below Address _____ Apt. number _____ City/Town _____ State _____ Zip Code _____ I want my ballot for the PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY/SPECIAL ELECTION mailed to me as above The address below Address _____ Apt. number _____ City/Town _____ State _____ Zip Code _____ I want my ballot for the PRESIDENTIAL GENERAL ELECTION mailed to me as above The address below Address _____ Apt. number _____ City/Town _____ State _____ Zip Code _____ INTERNET DELIVERY I will send you an internet link to open your ballot and print it yourself. Maryland Driver's License or ID Card Number _____ Issue Date _____ Last 4 digits of Social Security number XXX-XX-XXXX Fax _____

Signature (required) 7 Voter's Signature _____ Assistance Signature (required if you need help) _____ Today's Date _____



You won't receive a mail-in ballots be automatically sent out like during the 2020 primary? No



You must request that a mail-in ballot be sent to you.

- **If you do not wish to submit your request online, you must complete and return the form to receive your mail-in ballot.**
- **Forms must be RECEIVED (not postmarked) by your local election's office by **Tuesday, October 20.** Forms may be mailed, faxed, or emailed.**



Electronic Ballot Delivery (Ballot by email)



Call or email your local board of elections and ask that your ballot be sent electronically



Electronic Ballot Information

When the ballots are ready, the Board of Elections will send you an email with a link to your ballot.

If you do not see an email from the State Board of Elections, check your spam folder.

You must print your ballot and mail or return it to your local election office.



A voter will need a device connected to the internet

Possibly screen reader software



Printer



★ Marking Ballot Electronically ★

Step 2:

Login, click the link, type in access code

Step 3:

Select Contest

• Go to the following website and copy and paste in your ballot key on the login screen:
Website: https://voterservices.elections.state.md.us/ballot_wizard_redesign
Ballot Key: e168af21-0669-4f79-be57-fc79488acb2d

Ballot Access Code: required
This is in the email you received from Maryland State Board of Elections.

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BOARD OF EDUCATION
District 4

STATE QUESTION 1

STATE QUESTION 2
(Amending Article IV, Section 40 of the Maryland Constitution)



Marking Ballot

Electronically Part 2



Part 4:

**PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT
OF THE UNITED STATES**

Vote for One



Barack Obama

Illinois

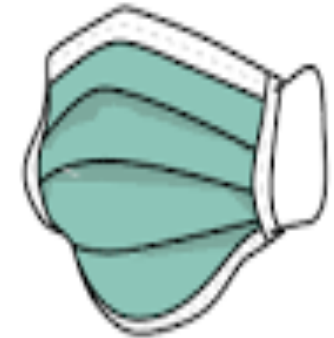
And

Joe Biden

Delaware

Voting Centers

Early voting centers
Voters going to voting centers
on early voting days or
election day must wear a
mask and social distancing



Election day:

Tuesday November 3,2020 7am to 8pm

Early voting days:

Monday October 26,2020 to Monday November 2,2020

Including Saturday and Sunday from 7am to 8pm



ACCESSIBLE VOTING OPTIONS

Electronic Ballot Delivery

- Must be request ballot through State or Local Board or Elections

Large Print Ballot

- Must be request ballot through State or Local Board of Elections

In Person Voting

- At least one location per county with accessible ballot marking devices



Felony Vote

Voting for Returning Citizens



- In 2016 Maryland became one of 14 states that allows people with convicted of felonies to vote once they have been released from prison .
- People on parole or probation, or who have completed their sentence are eligible to vote in the state of Maryland.
- A good tool Returning Citizens to determine their voter eligibility if they are still unsure.
campaignlegal.org/restoreyourvote

Felony Vote part 2

Voting for Eligible Incarcerated Voters

People who are in jail pre-trial, or who have been convicted of a misdemeanor and are currently in prison ARE eligible to vote in elections.

The State does not currently have a program in place to help prisoners to vote. COVID-19 has also made it difficult to get ballots to people.

If you would like to help someone who is currently in prison or on parole or probation to vote, the advocacy organization Out for Justice can help! Email Getinfo@out4justice.org or call (443)563-2123

IF YOU HAVE MOVED

For example, switched provider agencies

- **Update your address with the Board of Elections**
- **On the website or on paper**

Candidate Races

https://www.vote411.org/?gclid=Cj0KcQjws_r0BRCwARIsAMxfDRil14sa-e1lL83-f4gBg0SdGu9C3uXChJT0EYgftAyDHxQr04_5WQlaAtpYEALw_wcB



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Voter Rights Hotline

To report voting concerns that may be related to a disability (such as access to a polling place, voter assistance, or problems using a voting machine) please contact:

Disability Rights Maryland Voter Hotline

by phone: 443-692-2492; 800-233-7201 ext. 2492; TTY 410-235-5387

or by email: Voting@DisabilityRightsMD.org

Social Media:

FB: <https://www.facebook.com/DisabilityRightsMD>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/DisabRightsMD>

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/disabilityrightsmd/>

Voter Rights Presentations / Voter Registration



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REGISTER TO VOTE TODAY!!

