

Voting Rights

Election Day is November 5th . . . Make sure your right to vote is honored as a person living in Long-Term Care!

November 2024

Although the information about voting rights is believed to be accurate as of the date of this presentation, it is subject to change based on new laws, litigation, and other technological developments.

Always check with your local election authorities:

<https://www.elections.il.gov/ElectionOperations/ElectionAuthorities.aspx>

Legal Disclaimer



Today's Agenda

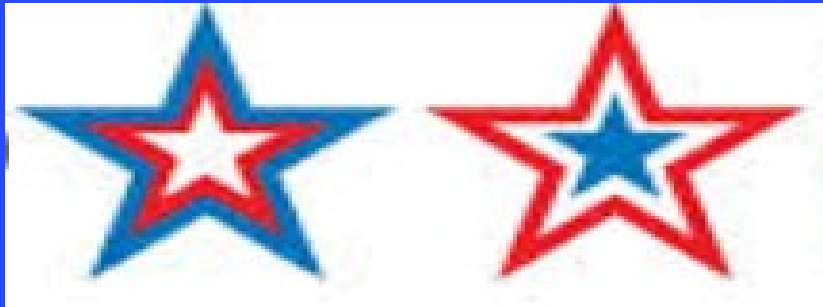
- Quick Refresher on Voting Rights
- Assistance by Long-Term Care Facilities
- Checking Voter Registration Status
- Finding Polling Places
- Assistance by Election Authorities



Voters

Who Can Vote?

- Registered Voters



Who Cannot Vote?

- Non-citizens
- People in Any Penal Institution
- People under Guardianship if the Judge Suspended Voting

Key Election Dates - 2024

Voter Registration Deadlines

August 7

First day to Request A Vote By Mail Ballot

September 26

First day of Delivery/Mailing of Vote By Mail Ballot

October 20

Close of Online Voter Registration

October 21 (dates may vary)

First day for Early Voting for the Election

▶ October 31

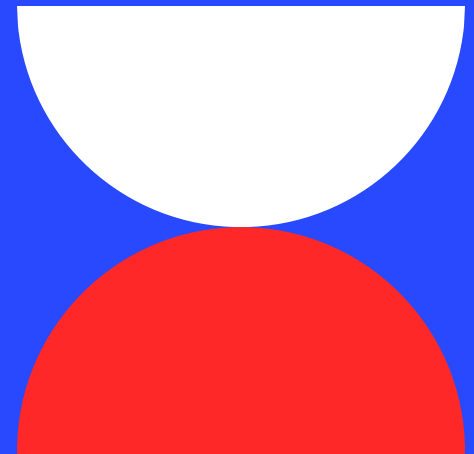
Deadline to Request a Mail In Ballot

November 4

Last day for Early Voting


November 5

Election Day
Election Day Registration
Last day to Postmark / Return Mail In Ballot





<https://www.elections.il.gov/>



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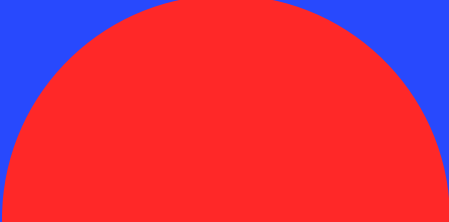
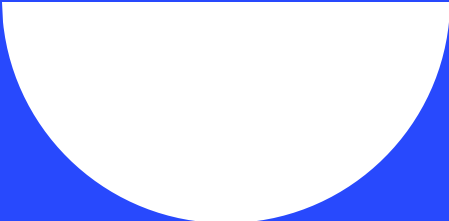
ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS

- Information For Voters
- Campaign Disclosure
- Voting Systems
- Running for Office
- Candidate Filing and Results
- Business Registration
- Press Room
- Forms
- About The Board

State of Illinois Coronavirus Response Site X

The screenshot shows the main content area of the website with three primary columns:

- Voter Services:** A vertical list of buttons including Online Voter Registration, Polling Place Locator, Find My Elected Officials (District Locator), Find My County, Voting By Mail Application, Voting By Mail Ballot Drop Box Locations, Voting By Mail Frequently Asked Questions, and Illinois Voter's Guide. A large red arrow points to the header, and white arrows point to each button.
- News / Press Releases:** A vertical list of news items with dates and titles:
 - 10/4/2024: Form D-4 - Complaint for Violation of the Campaign Disclosure Act
 - 10/1/2024: Campaign Disclosure - September 2024 Quarterly Report Filing Deadline - Tuesday, October 15, 2024
 - 8/12/2024: SBE Chicago office closed during DNC
 - 7/1/2024: Campaign Disclosure - June 2024 Quarterly Report Filing Deadline - Monday, July 15, 2024
 - 5/22/2024: Chicago SBE office to close at 3 p.m. on May 22
- Upcoming Events:** A vertical list of event announcements:
 - Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, October 30, 2024
 - Calendar section with dates:
 - 10/22/2024: POLLWATCHER CREDENTIALS
 - 10/22/2024: REGISTRATION REPORT FOR EACH COUNTY CHAIR
 - 10/22/2024: HOSPITALIZED VOTER
 - 10/22/2024: ERASURE OF NAMES FROM VOTER REGISTRY





[https://ova.elections.il.gov/
RegistrationLookup.aspx](https://ova.elections.il.gov/RegistrationLookup.aspx)



Voter
Registration
Lookup
Tool

REGISTRATION LOOKUP

The registration period for the online voter registration system will close at 11:59 PM on 10/20/2024 and will reopen on 11/07/2024

First Name *

Last Name *

Birth Date *

[Example: MM-DD-YYYY]

Five Digit Zipcode *

Submit

Reset

[https://ova.elections.il.gov/
pollingplacelookup.aspx](https://ova.elections.il.gov/pollingplacelookup.aspx)

A decorative graphic on the right side of the slide. It features a large white circle in the foreground containing the text 'Polling Place Lookup Tool'. Behind it is a light blue ring. Above the ring is a solid red circle. In the bottom left corner, there are several faint, concentric light blue arcs.

Polling
Place
Lookup
Tool

POLLING PLACE LOOKUP

Five Digit Zipcode *

Submit

Reset

* = Required

Assistance by Long-term Care Facilities

- Obtaining information about voting
- Getting to the polls
- Helping fill out and mailing applications
- Assisting with reading and marking ballots
- Satisfying requirements to qualify for available alternatives to in-person voting.
- Ensuring ballots are submitted

Legal Authority:

Memorandum to State Survey Agency Directors by the Directors, Quality, Safety & Oversight Group and the Survey & Operations Group at the Center for Clinical Standards and Quality under the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

[QSO-24-21-NH \(cms.gov\)](https://www.cms.gov)



Early Voting Options

➤ Absentee Ballot

Voted ballots must be postmarked by November 5 and received within two weeks to be counted.

➤ Early Voting

In-person voting opportunity ends November 4.

➤ Vote By Mail

Application deadline is October 31.

➤ Permanent Vote By Mail List

Contact your local election authority for more information.





Voter Rights

You do not need to present an ID to vote.

You may request help with voting.

You may bring information in the voting booth.

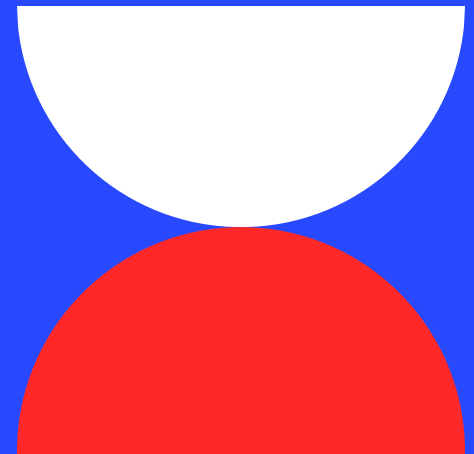
You are entitled to a provisional ballot.

Limited Exceptions

Limited Restrictions

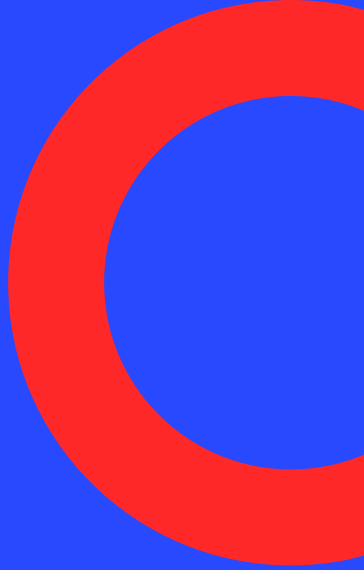
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Voter Eligibility Issues

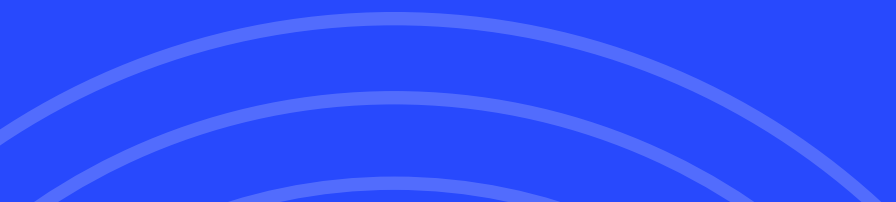




Assistance by Election Authorities



- Obtaining voting assistance
- Requesting language access
- Supplying available auxiliary voting aids
- Reading ballots
- Using voting machines





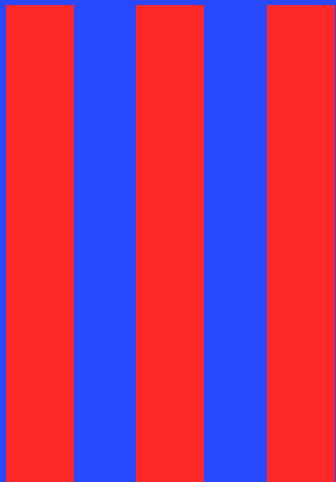
Election Day - November 5



Open at 6:00 a.m.

Close at 7:00 p.m.

If you are still in line when polls close, you have the right to stay late and cast your ballot.

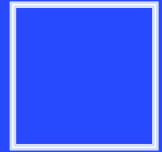




Ballots



➤ Federal, State, and/or Local Elected Offices



➤ Statewide Ballot Measures – Advisory Questions



Sample Ballot Lookup Tool:



https://ballotpedia.org/Illinois_elections,_2024

The Election Worker Protection and Candidate Accountability Referendum Act of Public Act 103-586 proposes the following statewide advisory question:

Should any candidate appearing on the Illinois ballot for federal, State, or local office be subject to civil penalties if the candidate interferes or attempts to interfere with an election worker's official duties?

YES

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NO

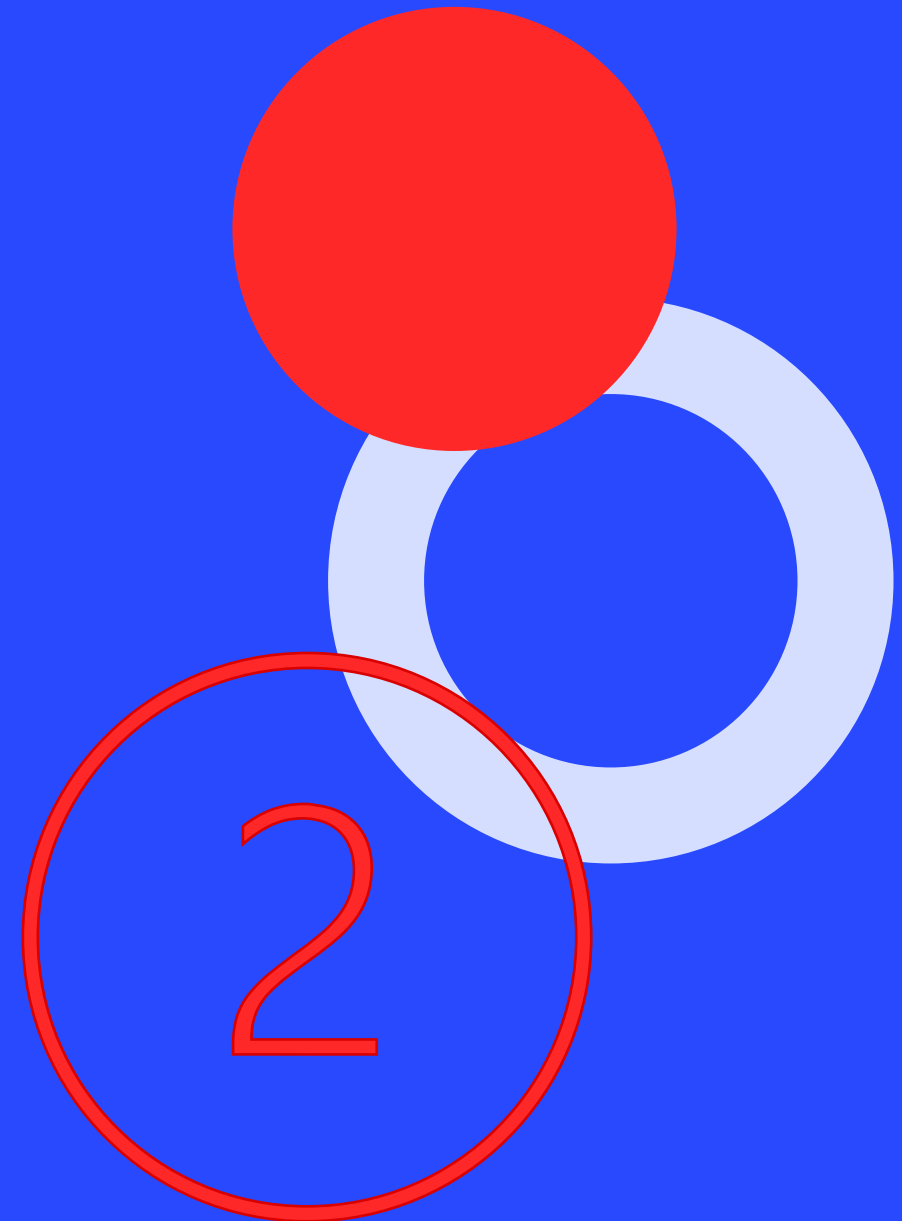


The Property Tax Relief and Fairness Referendum Act of Public Act 103-586 proposes the following statewide advisory question:

Should the Illinois Constitution be amended to create an additional 3% tax on income greater than \$1,000,000 for the purpose of dedicating funds raised to property tax relief?

YES

NO



The Assisted Reproductive Health Referendum Act of Public Act 103-586 proposes the following statewide advisory question:

Should all medically appropriate assisted reproductive treatments, including, but not limited to, in vitro fertilization, be covered by any health insurance plan in Illinois that provides coverage for pregnancy benefits, without limitation on the number of treatments?

YES

NO



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Curbside Voting



Is your polling place accessible if you have limited mobility?

Check in advance with your local election authority to find out if curbside voting is available on Election Day.

How curbside voting works:

Two election judges, one from each political party, will bring the ballot out to you. You must be within 50 feet of the polling place. You will then mark the ballot and give it back to the election judges, who will make sure it is counted inside the polling place.

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS WHEN VOTING

- You don't need to present a photo ID to vote in Illinois. A poll worker should not ask you for ID except in a narrow range of circumstances. You may need an ID if:
 - An Election Judge challenges your right to vote
 - You registered to vote by mail and did not provide ID
 - If you are also registering to vote or changing your registration address on the day that you vote
- On Election Day, you can cast your ballot after the polls close if you are in line at the time listed as closing.
- You may bring written or printed materials into the voting booth to assist you.
- If you requested a mail in ballot you can still choose to vote in person. Bring your mail in ballot with you in order to not vote a provisional ballot.
- You can request up to two hours off of work to go and vote in Illinois, if your work schedule prevents you from getting to the polls while they are open.
- If you are denied the right to vote because you are challenged by a judge, your name does not appear on the rolls, or you do not have ID (in the few circumstances where ID is required) you are entitled to a provisional ballot. Be sure the poll worker gives you instructions about any steps you need to take in order to ensure that your ballot is counted.

You can register to vote on Election Day in Illinois. Find more information at www.aclu-il.org/voting.



KNOW YOUR RIGHTS WHEN VOTING

ACLU Illinois

Know Your Rights When Voting:

www.aclu-il.org/KYRVoting

Information about Registering and Voting:

www.aclu-il.org/Voting

Find your Polling Location:

www.aclu-il.org/Polling-Location

Find more numbers at
www.aclu-il.org/election-protection-hotline

If you, or anyone you know, encounters problems while voting call the **Election Protection Hotline: 1-866-687-8683**



- Results are not finalized on Election Day.
- States' certification deadlines range from two to 29 days post-Election Day.

Planning Ahead



- Preview your ballot
- Research candidates and advisory questions
- Check your registration status
- Consider your early voting options
- Confirm your polling place for in-person voting
- Ask in advance about any personal accessibility needs
- Arrange transportation and find out about parking options
- Time your visit to avoid traffic delays, crowds, or conflicts with meals, medication, or other scheduled appointments

Resources



<https://theconsumervoice.org/news/detail/all/resident-voter-guide>

<https://www.ada.gov/resources/protecting-voter-rights/>

<https://disabilityvoteil.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/Illinois-General-Election-2024.pdf>

<https://www.aclu-il.org/en/know-your-rights/know-your-rights-voting-illinois>

https://www.americanbar.org/groups/public_interest/election_law/voter-education-series/

<https://www.equipforequality.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/10/2018-Voter-Guide-Know-Your-Rights.pdf>

<https://www.illinoislegalaid.org/legal-information/learning-about-voting>

<https://thearc.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/07/DAN-Voter-Guide-English.pdf>



Thank you!

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