



# How to Vote in Arkansas

Voters with disabilities, get ready and vote in the General Election on or before November 3, 2020, with this voter guide, prepared by AAPD's REV UP.



## 1. Registering to Vote

- **How can I register to vote?** Arkansas does not have online voter registration, so you must register by downloading and mailing [this form](#). If you have already registered, you can double-check your voter registration status at [vote.org](#).
- **When do I need to register?** Make sure to register by October 5. Arkansas does not allow people to register on Election Day.
- **Do I need an ID?** You will likely need to have an Arkansas address and an Arkansas ID, or a social security number if you don't have a state ID.
- **Can I vote if I have a disability?** Yes! People with disabilities who are at least 18 years old have the right to vote. Your vote matters and is protected by laws to ensure voting is accessible, independent, and private. If you have a guardian, contact your local [Protection and Advocacy agency](#) for help determining if you can vote or help restoring your right to vote.



## 2. Learning about the Issues

- **What people or laws can I vote for?** Enter your home address in [Ballotpedia's Sample Ballot Lookup](#) to find out what is on your ballot, and learn about any policy changes, usually called "ballot measures," at [Arkansas elections website](#).



## 3. Voting in Person

- **Where do I need to go to vote?** If you are registered to vote, you can find your polling place through this [online portal](#).

- **When can I vote?** Arkansas allows in-person early voting so you can vote between October 19 and November 2 and avoid lines on election day!
- **Can I vote from a car if the polling place is inaccessible?** Arkansas does not specifically allow voters to request a ballot from a car.
- **What if I want assistance with my ballot?** You may choose someone (except your boss, union agent, or a candidate) to assist you in marking your ballot.
- **Do I need an ID?** Yes, you will need to bring an [acceptable photo ID](#) with you.

## 4. Voting by Mail

- **Can I vote by mail?** Yes, if you have a disability, you can vote absentee in Arkansas. Any Arkansas voter concerned about COVID-19 may vote absentee by selecting “I will be unavoidably absent from my polling site on Election Day” on the application form.
- **How do I request a mail ballot?** You must request an absentee ballot by mail with [this application](#), which you can print or request from your [County Clerk](#). You can also deliver the form to your [County Clerk](#) in-person.
- **When do I need to request my ballot?** The last day to request an absentee ballot by mail is October 27 and the last day to request one in-person is November 2. Request your absentee ballot as soon as possible to make sure that your ballot is received on time.
- **How do I fill out my ballot?** Arkansas does not have an electronic absentee ballot available for voters with disabilities, so you must complete a paper ballot. Make sure to sign your ballot or envelope when prompted, since Arkansas requires this signature to match your past signatures. If you receive assistance with your ballot, you may need to complete an affidavit with the ballot.
- **What if I want assistance with my ballot?** You may choose someone (except your boss, union agent, or a candidate) to assist you in marking your ballot. If you are completing your ballot remotely, someone assisting you may need to complete an affidavit with the paper ballot.
- **How do I return my ballot?** If you deliver your ballot in-person to your local [County Clerk](#), you must deliver it by November 2. If you return your ballot by

mail, or through a [designated bearer](#), your ballot must be received by 7:30pm on November 3, so request your ballot today if you plan to vote by mail!

- **Do I need an ID?** Yes, you will need to include a photocopy of an [acceptable ID](#) in your ballot return envelope. If you are in a licensed long-term care or residential care facility, you may instead provide documentation from a facility administrator attesting that you are a resident.
- **Can I track if my ballot was counted?** Not that we know of, but you can help make sure your ballot counts by returning it early and following all instructions.

## 5. Additional Resources

- **Where can I find more info on how to vote?** Check out the Arkansas [Voter Guide](#) or for the most accurate and up-to-date elections info, contact your elections office:

### **Arkansas Secretary of State**

Address: State Capitol, Ste. 256, 500 Woodlane Ave, Little Rock, AR 72201

Phone: 501-682-5070, (800) 482-1127, (toll free outside the Little Rock)

Email: [electionsemail@sos.arkansas.gov](mailto:electionsemail@sos.arkansas.gov)

Website: [www.sos.arkansas.gov/elections](http://www.sos.arkansas.gov/elections)

- **What if I am having trouble voting or registering to vote?** If you have any trouble voting, contact your local Protection and Advocacy organization:

### **Disability Rights Arkansas**

Address: 400 West Capitol Avenue, Suite 200, Little Rock, AR 72201

Phone: 501-296-1775 Voice/TDD, 800-482-1174 (Toll Free)

Email: [panda@disabilityrightsar.org](mailto:panda@disabilityrightsar.org)

Website: [disabilityrightsar.org/](http://disabilityrightsar.org/)

- **What if I have more questions?** Check out these resources:
  - [Rules about Felonies, Incarceration, and Voting Rights](#)
  - [Guardianship and Voting Laws](#)
  - [Resources for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Voters](#)
  - [Resources for Blind and Low Vision Voters](#)
  - [Easy Read and Plain Language Voting Resources](#)
  - [ASL Hotline](#): 301-818-VOTE (301-818-8683)
  - [Election Protection Hotline](#): 866-OUR-VOTE (866-687-8683)