



How to Vote in North Carolina

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?** You can register online at North Carolina's [online registration portal](#) or 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 9 because North Carolina only allows in-person registration on Election Day to people who were naturalized as citizens or had their voting rights restored after October 9.
- **Do I need an ID?** You will likely need to have a North Carolina address and a North Carolina 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, you can still vote. Contact your local [Protection and Advocacy agency](#) for help understanding or restoring your 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.



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 North Carolina's [online voter information portal](#).

- **When can I vote?** North Carolina allows in-person early voting, so you can vote between October 15 and October 31 and avoid lines on election day!
- **Can I vote from a car if the polling place is inaccessible?** Yes, North Carolina allows voters to request a ballot from a car, if a polling place is inaccessible.
- **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?** No, you do not need to bring any ID to your polling place.

4. Voting by Mail

- **Can I vote by mail?** Any North Carolina voter can vote a mail-in absentee without an excuse.
- **How do I request a mail ballot?** You must request a ballot through your local elections office [online](#) or by downloading and submitting [this form](#) by mail, fax, email, or in-person to your [county board of elections](#).
- **When do I need to request my ballot?** Your absentee ballot request must be received by 5pm on October 27. Request your ballot as soon as possible to make sure that your ballot is received on time!
- **How do I fill out my ballot?** [North Carolina plans to provide an electronic remote absentee ballot that can be completed digitally and printed out.](#) This electronic ballot should be available for the November 3 election. You must provide a unique signature (with ink or electronically) on your ballot and you will need to have a witness who is 18 years or older sign your ballot as well. If you receive assistance, the person assisting you may need to sign an affidavit.
- **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. The assistant must print their name and address, and sign the Voter Assistant Certification on the back of the envelope.
- **How do I return my ballot?** You can return your absentee ballot by mail or you can deliver it in-person to your county board of elections or at an [early voting site](#) ([PDF list of early voting sites and opening hours](#)). Mailed ballot must be postmarked by November 3 and received by 5pm November 6. Ballots delivered

in-person must be received by 5pm on November 3, so request your ballot as soon as possible if you plan to vote by mail!

- **Do I need an ID?** No, you do not need an ID when voting by mail.
- **Can I track my ballot?** Yes, you can track your ballot on North Carolina's [BallotTrax portal](#).

5. Additional Resources

- **Where can I find more info on how to vote?** For the most accurate and up-to-date elections info, contact your local elections office:
North Carolina State Board of Elections
Address: Third Floor, 430 N Salisbury St, 6400 Mail Service Center, Raleigh NC 27603
Phone: (919) 814-0700
Email: elections.sboe@ncsbe.gov
Website: www.ncsbe.gov/
- **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 North Carolina
Address: 3724 National Drive, Suite 100, Raleigh, NC 27612
Phone: 919-856-2195, 877-235-4210 Toll Free, 888-268-5535 TTY
Email: info@disabilityrightsncc.org
Website: www.disabilityrightsncc.org/
- **What if I have more questions?** Check out these resources:
 - [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](#)
 - [Incarceration and Voting Rights](#)
 - [Help with Getting a Voter ID](#)
 - [Help with Getting a Printed Absentee Ballot Application](#)
 - [ASL Hotline](#): 301-818-VOTE (301-818-8683)
 - [Election Protection Hotline](#): 866-OUR-VOTE (866-687-8683)