



How to Vote in Ohio

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](#) 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 10/5/2020 because Ohio does not allow people to register on Election Day.
- **Do I need an ID?** You will need to have an Ohio address and driver's license or a social security number if you don't have an ID. If you have neither, then you can provide [alternative forms of identification](#), e.g. utility bill, bank statement, etc.
- **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, unless a judge says you cannot vote. Contact your [local Protection and Advocacy agency](#) for help in 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 [here](#).
- **When can I vote?** Ohio does not allow in-person early voting, so you will need to vote on November 3 if you are voting in-person.
- **Can I vote from a car if the polling place is inaccessible?** Yes, Ohio does allow 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?** Yes, you will need to bring an [acceptable ID](#) to the polling place.



4. Voting by Mail

- **Can I vote by mail?** Yes, if you have a disability, you can vote absentee in Ohio. Any voter in your state can vote by mail without an excuse.
- **How do I request a mail ballot?** You must request a ballot through your local elections office by [mail](#).
- **When do I need to request my ballot?** The last day to request an absentee ballot is 10/31/2020. Request your ballot as soon as possible to make sure that your ballot is received on time.
- **How do I fill out my ballot?** Ohio allows voters with disabilities to request an [electronic absentee or Vote by Mail ballot](#) that can be completed electronically and then printed out. Make sure to sign your ballot or envelope when prompted, since Ohio requires this signature to match your past signature.
- **What if I want assistance with my ballot?** You should be allowed to choose someone, except for your boss, to assist you with completing your ballot. Someone assisting you may need to provide their own signature. You can also request to use a [remote ballot marking system](#).
- **How do I return my ballot?** You can mail it back or return it in-person to your [county board of elections](#). Your ballot must be received by 11/3/2020 if in-

person and postmarked by 11/2/2020 if you are mailing it, so request your ballot as soon as possible, especially if you plan to vote by mail!

- **Do I need an ID?** You will need to provide an ID when requesting a mail-in ballot.
- **Can I track my ballot?** Yes, you can track your ballot on Ohio's [election website](#).

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:

Ohio Secretary of State: Elections Division

Address: 22 North Fourth Street 16th Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215

Phone: 614-466-2585, 877-767-6446 x1, 614-728-3295 (TTY), 877-889-6446 (TTY Toll-free)

Email: <https://www.ohiosos.gov/elections/contact-us-elections/>

Website: <https://www.ohiosos.gov/elections/voters/>

- **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 Ohio

Address: 200 Civic Center Drive Suite 300, Columbus, OH 43215

Phone: 614-466-7264, 800-282-9181 (Toll Free)

Email: JRamsey@disabilityrightsohio.org

Website: <http://www.disabilityrightsohio.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)



