

FAQs About Voting and Voter Registration



Where do I register to vote?

You can register to vote at your local clerk's office, county clerk's office, or at any Secretary of State branch office. If you are registering less than 15 days before an Election, you must register to vote at your local clerk's office. Find your clerk's address here.

When is the last day to register to vote by mail?



15 days before an election

To register by mail, complete the Michigan Voter Application and mail to your city or township clerk at least **15 days** before the election. Find your clerk's address here.

When is the last day to register to vote in person?



8 pm on Election Day

Anyone who wishes to register to vote less than 15 days before an election, including Election Day, must register in person at their city or township clerk's office.

Who can vote by mail?



Everyone can vote by mail! No reason needed.

To request a ballot, complete the Michigan Absent Voter Ballot Application, and mail to your city or township clerk about joining the Permanent Absentee Voter List. Find your clerk's contact information here.

How do I vote by mail for every election?



To receive an absentee ballot application for every election, ask your city or township clerk about joining the Permanent Absentee Voter List. Find your clerk's contact information here.

When can I vote by mail?



Absentee ballots are available 45 days before every election. You can request to have a ballot mailed to you by the Friday before the election at 5 pm. You can also request a ballot in person at your city or township clerk's office until 4 pm on the Monday before the election. New voters can pick up an absentee ballot in person when they register to vote at their city or township clerk's office until 8 pm on Election Day.

All ballots must be returned to the city or township clerk no later than 8 pm on Election Day.



Can I register to vote at my polling place?

No. If you are not registered to vote on Election Day, you must register to vote at your city or township clerk's office; however, you may vote an absentee ballot at your city or township clerk's office when you register to vote, or you can take your registration receipt and vote in person at your polling place.



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