



New Jersey General Election at a Glance

Whether at the local, state or national level, voting is the most powerful way to have your voice heard. That's why it's crucial that you make sure you're registered and ready to vote! Here's a quick look to help answer your questions about this pivotal part of our voting system, specific to New Jersey.

What is the deadline for voter registration? When do I need to re-register to vote?

The voter registration deadline for the November 2018 general election is **October 16, 2018**. [Voter registration forms are here](#). Re-registration is required for those who have changed their name, address, or have completed serving a sentence, probation and parole for a felony conviction. Not sure if you're already registered? [Check here](#).

Where is my polling place?

Your polling location is indicated on your sample ballot, which you should receive in the mail about a week before an election. You may [locate your polling place here](#).

Can I still vote if I will be away from my polling place on Election Day?

Yes. If you know you will not be able to or do not wish to vote at your polling place on election day you can vote using a Vote by Mail ballot. Vote by Mail ballots are available to any registered voter for any election, but you must complete a [Vote by Mail application form](#). To receive your Vote by Mail ballot *by mail*, your [County Clerk](#) must **receive your application no later than October 30, 2018**. You may also apply in person to your [County Clerk](#) until **3:00 pm, the day before the election**.

Where can I find information about Candidates?

[VOTE411.org](#), a LWV initiative providing nonpartisan information, is an online voter's guide where you can see the races on your ballot and compare candidates' positions side-by-side. You'll also find a frequently updated [schedule of League debates](#) on our [website](#).

Important Dates & Deadlines

Voter Registration Deadline:
postmarked by October 16, 2018

Deadline to Apply *by mail* for Vote by Mail ballot: must be in County Clerk's office by October 30, 2018

Deadline to Apply *in person* for Vote by Mail ballot: 3:00 p.m. November 5, 2018

General Election Day: polls open
November 6, 2018 6 am - 8 pm

Voter Registration Requirements

- You are a United States citizen,
- You are at least 17 years of age, with the understanding you may not vote before your 18th birthday,
- You will have been a resident of your NJ county 30 days before the election,
- You are NOT currently serving a sentence, probation or parole because of a felony conviction. You have the right to vote upon completion of your sentence, probation and parole after re-registering.

[Voter Registration forms](#) must be mailed or hand delivered to your county [Commissioner of Registration or Superintendent of Elections](#). Faxed copies cannot be accepted because an original signature is required to register. If you have any questions about registering, please contact the League of Women Voters of New Jersey at 1-800-792-VOTE (8683), contact@lwvnj.org