

ILLINOIS VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATION

Suggested, July 2004

FOR ILLINOIS RESIDENTS ONLY

TO COMPLETE THIS FORM:

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TO VOTE YOU MUST:

- Be a United States citizen
- Be at least 18 years old
- Live in your election precinct at least 30 days
- Not be convicted and in jail
- Not claim the right to vote anywhere else

- Box 1-If you do not have a middle name, leave blank.
- Box 3-If mailing address is same as Box 2, write "same".
- Box 4-If you have never registered before, leave blank. If you do not remember your former address, provide as much information as possible.
- Box 5-If you have not changed your name, leave blank.
- Box 9-If you have an Illinois Driver's License, check the Box and fill in the number. If you do not have a Driver's License, check the appropriate box and fill in either the last four digits of your Social Security Number, or your Secretary of State ID Number.
- 10-Read, date and personally sign your name or make your mark in the box.

TO VOTE IN THE NEXT ELECTION:

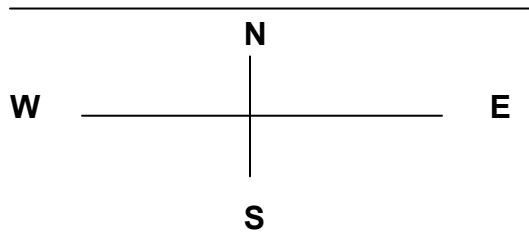
- Mail or deliver this application to your County Clerk or Board of Election Commissioners no later than 28 days before the next election. (check www.elections.state.il.us for listings)

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

- If this form is submitted by mail and you have never registered to vote in the jurisdiction you are now registering in, then you must send with this application either (i) a copy of a current and valid photo identification, or (ii) a copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck or other government document that shows your name and address. If you do not provide the information required above, then you will be required to provide election officials with this information the first time you vote at a polling place or by in-person absentee ballot.
- If you register by mail, you must also vote in person the first time, either at the polling place or in-person absentee.
- If you change your name you must re-register.
- If you register at a public service agency, any information regarding the agency that assisted you will remain confidential as will any decision not to register.
- If you do not receive a Notice within 2 weeks of mailing or delivering this application, call your County Clerk or Board of Election Commissioners.

IF YOU HAVE NO STREET ADDRESS,

below describe your home: list the name of subdivision; cross streets; roads; landmarks; mileage and/or neighbors' names.



If you have questions about completing this form, please call the State Board of Elections at (217)782-4141 or (312)814-6440 (or webmaster@elections.state.il.us).

TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY IN BLACK OR BLUE INK

Are you a citizen of the United States of America? (check one) yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/>				Office Use							
Will you be 18 years of age on or before election day? (check one) yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/>											
If you checked "no" in response to either of these questions, then do not complete this form.											
You can use this form to: (Check One) <input type="checkbox"/> apply to register to vote in Illinois <input type="checkbox"/> change your address <input type="checkbox"/> change your name											
1. Last Name		First Name		Middle Name or Initial		Suffix (Circle One) Jr. Sr. II III IV					
2. Address where you live (House No., Street Name, Apt. No.)				City/Village/Town		Zip Code		County		Township	
3. Mailing address (P.O. Box)				City/Village/Town, State				Zip Code			
4. Former Registration Address: (include City and State and Zip Code)						Former County		5. Former Name: (if changed)			
6. Date of Birth: MM/DD/YY			8. Home telephone number including area code (optional)			9. ID number – check the applicable box and provide the appropriate number <input type="checkbox"/> IL Driver's License or, if none, Sec. of State ID or <input type="checkbox"/> Last 4 digits of Social Security Number <input type="checkbox"/> I have none of the above-listed identification numbers.					
7. Sex (circle one) M F			() -								

10. Voter Affidavit – Read all statements and sign within the box to the right.

This is my signature or mark in the space below.

I swear or affirm that

- I am a citizen of the United States;
- I will be at least 18 years old on or before the next election;
- I will have lived in the State of Illinois and in my election precinct at least 30 days as of the date of the next election;
- The information I have provided is true to the best of my knowledge under penalty of perjury. If I have provided false information, then I may be fined, imprisoned, or if I am not a U.S. citizen, deported from or refused entry into the United States.

Today's Date: _____/_____/_____

11. If you cannot sign your name, ask the person who helped you fill in this form to print their name, address and telephone number.

Name of person assisting.

Full Address

Telephone No.

Registering to Vote in Illinois

What are the voter registration requirements?

- Must be a U.S. Citizen
- Must be at least 18 years of age by election day
- Must have been a resident of the precinct at least 30 days prior to election day.

When may I register to vote?

Registration is open year round **except:**

- During the 27-day period just prior to an election
- During the 2 days after such election (1 day after in Chicago)

Where can I register to vote?

- County Clerk's office
- Board of Election's office
- City and village offices
- Township offices
- Precinct Committeemen
- Some schools
- Some public libraries
- Some labor groups
- Some civic groups
- Some corporations
- Military recruitment offices

When applying for services at the following:

- Driver's License Facilities
- Department of Healthcare and Family Services
- Department of Public Health offices
- Department of Human Services offices

What forms of identification are needed when I register to vote?

- Two forms of identification with one showing your current residence address.
If you register by mail, you must vote in person the first time you vote.

Do I ever have to re-register?

No, not unless you:

- Move to a different address
- Change your name

Will I automatically be registered to vote when I renew my driver's license?

No. But you will be given the opportunity to register to vote. If you are already registered to vote, there is no need to register again unless you change your name or move.

So can I register to vote by mailing an application to my election office?

Yes. Under federal law, citizens may apply to register to vote by mailing in an application. The applications are available at some public and private facilities where you live. When you register by mail your mail-in form must be postmarked prior to the close of registration. Contact your local election office to learn more about registering by mail.

If I mail in an application to vote, can I vote by absentee ballot?

Unless a person has a disability or who is in the military, those registering by mail must vote in person at the polling place or by in-person absentee voting the first time they vote.

Can I register at a public assistance office?

Yes. Any person who requests public assistance will be given an opportunity to register to vote. Again, if you are already registered, there will be no need to register again unless you changed your name or move

When can I consider myself officially registered to vote?

As soon as you receive a voter ID card in the mail, you can consider yourself registered. If you do not receive an ID card within 3 weeks after you registered, call your election authority or the Illinois State Board of Elections.

What if I change my name after being registered?

If you changed your name more than 27 days before the election and did not re-register, you cannot vote.

A person who changed his or her name within 27 days of the election, and still lives in the same precinct, may vote after completing an affidavit. A woman who

continues to use her maiden name after marriage may vote without having to complete an affidavit if registered under her maiden name.

What if I move, can I still vote?

It depends on when you move. If you moved within 27 days of the election in the same precinct you can vote a full ballot by signing an affidavit.

If you moved more than 30 days before the election within the county or municipality under a board of election commissioners, and did not transfer your registration, you can vote on a ballot for federal offices *only*, after completing an address correction form.

If you moved within 30 days before the election outside of your precinct, but you still live in the State, and did not transfer your registration, you can vote a full ballot in your old polling place after completing an affidavit.

If you moved more than 30 days before the election out of your county or municipality under the board of election commissioners and did not transfer your registration, you *cannot* vote.

IMPORTANT

Knowingly giving, lending, or promising to give or lend any money or other valuable consideration to any other person to vote for or against any candidate or public question is a **Class 4 felony**.

Any unusual activity or irregularity associated with any voting procedure should be reported immediately to proper authorities.

STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS

A primary goal of the State Board of Elections is to help bring about greater understanding and participation in the electoral process. *Authorities on Illinois elections are available as speakers for civic organizations, school groups and the general public.*

For more information on election laws and procedures GO TO:

<http://www.elections.il.gov>