



# Voting

## in New Jersey

### Upcoming General Election

(Governor and Lieutenant Governor)

Election Day is November 4, 2025

Polls open 6 a.m.–8 p.m.

### Voter Registration

Ends October 14, 2025

### Mail-In Ballot Request Deadline

Deadline to apply for a Mail-In Ballot by mail: October 28

Deadline for in-person Mail-In Ballot applications: November 3

### Mail-In Ballot Return Deadline

In-person submission or postmarked by November 4, 2025

### Early Voting Period

October 25–November 2, 2025

This is a condensed version of our full article at [www.lsnjlaw.org/legal-topics/government-aid-services/voting-in-new/pages/voting-in-nj.aspx](http://www.lsnjlaw.org/legal-topics/government-aid-services/voting-in-new/pages/voting-in-nj.aspx).

## Registering

**You can register to vote if you are:**

- A U.S. citizen,
- At least 18 years of age on or before the next election, and
- A resident of New Jersey and your county for at least 30 days prior to the election.

**You cannot register to vote if:**

- You are serving a prison sentence for committing a crime.
- A judge has determined that you lack the mental capacity to vote.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** You should not register to vote if you are not a U.S. citizen.

Doing so may jeopardize your immigration status and/or your eligibility for status in the future.

### How do I register?

Register at least 21 days before voting in an election.

1. Visit [voter.svrs.nj.gov/registration-check](http://voter.svrs.nj.gov/registration-check) to check if you are already registered.
2. File a registration application online or by mail. See [www.nj.gov/state/elections/voter-registration.shtml](http://www.nj.gov/state/elections/voter-registration.shtml) for more information.

## Voting

### Vote By Mail

1. **Apply** to vote by mail. You will not be allowed to vote in person if you register to vote by mail.
2. **Fill out the ballot** that is mailed to you.
3. **Return your ballot** through mail, put it in your county's secure ballot box, or deliver to your county's Board of Elections Office.

### Vote Early

Find an early voting location and go there to vote during the early voting period. No appointment necessary.

**See more info:**

[www.nj.gov/state/elections/vote-early-voting.shtml](http://www.nj.gov/state/elections/vote-early-voting.shtml)

### On Election Day

Go to your polling place to vote. Bring identification and proof of address if you have recently registered or it is your first time voting at that location.

**See more info:**

[www.nj.gov/state/elections/vote-3-ways-to-vote.shtml](http://www.nj.gov/state/elections/vote-3-ways-to-vote.shtml)