



# VOTING

## IN NEW JERSEY'S 2020 GENERAL ELECTION

On **Tuesday, November 3rd**, voters will choose: the U.S. President, all members of New Jersey's House of Representatives, 1 U.S. Senate seat, and other local representatives.

To prevent the spread of COVID-19, most voters in New Jersey's General Election will vote by mail. This resource provides step-by-step information to help you vote in the 2020 General Election by mail or at the polls.

### Step 1: Make sure you are registered to vote.

You must register to be able to vote. Most people only need to register one time. If you have voted in a government election in New Jersey before, you are most likely registered to vote.

*Not sure if you're registered to vote?* You can enter your name and date of birth in [New Jersey's Division of Elections Voter Search](#) online to find out.

*Not registered?* Complete the [Voter Registration Application](#) on the New Jersey Division of Elections website. You can register online or print and mail your voter registration application to your county's Commissioner of Registration by **Tuesday, October 13th**.

### Step 2: Learn about the candidates.

Learn about the candidates by reading the newspaper, watching the news, or visiting some of these helpful websites:

- League of Women Voters Education Fund: <http://www.vote411.org>
- REV UP: Register, Educate, Vote, Use your Power: <https://www.aapd.com/advocacy/voting/>
- Project Vote Smart: <https://justfacts.votesmart.org/>
- Ballotpedia: <https://ballotpedia.org/Elections>

### Step 3: Make a plan to vote.

It's important to have a plan for how you will cast your vote. You can vote by mail or in-person at your assigned polling place.

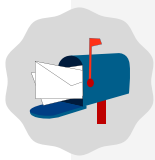
New Jersey has made it easier than ever to vote-by-mail. All active registered voters will automatically get a Vote-By-Mail ballot for this election. Your County Clerk will send Vote-By-Mail ballots to voters by **October 6th**. If you register between October 6th and October 13th and want to vote by mail, you can request a Vote-By-Mail Ballot on your registration form. Voters with disabilities can request an Accessible Electronic Ballot from their County Clerk.

It is still possible to vote in-person. In-person voters will complete a provisional paper ballot. Voters with disabilities can vote in-person using an accessible machine. Fewer polling places will be open.



## Step 4: Cast your vote.

There are many options for submitting your Vote-By-Mail Ballot.



Return it through the U.S. Postal Service with no stamp needed. Your ballot must be postmarked by 8 p.m. on November 3rd and received by November 10th at 8 p.m. The U.S. Postal Service recommends mailing your ballot at least 7 days before Election Day.



Return it to a secure drop box in your area by 8 p.m. on November 3rd. Contact your county's Board of Elections for a list of drop box locations: <https://www.nj.gov/state/elections/county-eo.shtml>



Return it to your County Board of Elections in-person or have a bearer deliver your sealed ballot. The bearer must complete the Bearer section on your return envelope and show identification when they drop it off.



Return your ballot to your assigned polling location on Election Day.

### ACCESSIBLE VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOTS

You can contact your County Clerk to request an accessible electronic Vote-By-Mail ballot. Accessible ballots can be completed on a computer, phone, or tablet. You must print the completed ballot and return it in the envelope you received with the regular Vote-By-Mail ballot.

You can vote in-person on November 3rd from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. using a provisional paper ballot or an accessible voting machine. Voters must maintain a safe distance from each other and from poll workers at all times. You can look up your assigned polling place on the New Jersey Division on Elections website: <https://voter.svrs.nj.gov/polling-place-search>

If you requested a Vote-By-Mail ballot, but you did not return it, you may vote in-person on Election Day using a provisional ballot.

**DID YOU KNOW?**  
You can only vote once in any election.

## Step 5: Track your ballot.

You can set up an account to find out when your County Clerk receives your Vote-By-Mail Ballot on the New Jersey Division of Elections website: <https://voter.svrs.nj.gov/auth/sign-up>

Contact Disability Rights New Jersey if you have any questions about voting before or on Election Day:

**1-866-493-0023**  
[voterhotline@drnj.org](mailto:voterhotline@drnj.org)

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