



Get out the vote in Iowa

Election Day: November 3

Why should you vote?

Voting is the one of the most powerful ways to make your voice heard in our democracy, but in 2016, only 61.4% of the voting age population in the United States reported voting.

Modern technology has improved access to information on candidates and made it easier to register to vote in many areas, and it is vital to be aware of how you can participate in the 2020 election.

Iowa's absentee and mail-in voting procedures

Permanent absentee / mail-in voting procedures:

- No excuse required to request an absentee ballot

2020 state absentee / mail-in voting status:

- Coronavirus updates: Mail-in ballot applications sent automatically to all voters in the November 3, 2020, general election.



Deadlines to know for voting in Iowa

Voter registration deadline:

October 24, 2020

Ten days before an election; postmarked 15 days before an election for mail registrations.

Same-day registration is permitted during in-person absentee voting and on Election Day;

Deadlines for primary and other elections are different

Absentee / Mail-In voting ballot deadlines:

Request must be received by

October 23, 2020

11 days before the election

Ballot submission deadline:

Must be received by close of polls on November 3, 2020 (Election Day).

Absentee ballots received after the polls close on Election Day must be postmarked by November 2, 2020 and received by noon on November 9, 2020.



How can you register to vote in Iowa?

To register to vote in Iowa, visit the State Board of Elections website for more information on voter eligibility and the registration process.

You can begin the registration process through Iowa's Online Voter Registration System.

State Election Office

<http://sos.iowa.gov>

Online Voter Registration System

<https://sos.iowa.gov/elections/voterinformation/voterregistration.html>

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