

Voter Registration Information

Voter Qualifications

To register to vote, you must be:

- A citizen of the United States
- A legal resident of Washington State
- At least 18 years old by election day
- Not presently denied civil rights as a result of being convicted of a felony

Federal law now requires you to provide valid identification to register to vote.

Where to Register

You may call and request a mail-in voter registration form from our office at any time. Also, you may obtain forms at the following locations:

- City or town clerk's offices
- State drivers licensing offices
- Public libraries
- www.vote.wa.gov
- Most fire stations
- Public schools

When to Register - Deadlines

New Registrants - New registrants may register by mail 30 or more days in advance of the election, or they may appear in person at the auditor's office up to 15 days before the election.

Address Changes (to a new county) - If you have moved into a new county, you are a new registrant. Please see "New Registrants" above.

Address Changes (within county) - Persons already registered in Thurston County who wish to change their residential address, must do so 30 or more days prior to the day of the election. You may call, email, or mail your address change to our office.

Name Changes - Name changes must be submitted 30 or more days prior to an election. Mail-in registration forms are used for this purpose. This form is available on page 41 and at the above locations.

Closing of the Books

In the State of Washington, election books are closed to all address and name changes during the 30 days preceding an election.

Late registrations and name/address changes will not be valid until the next election.

The 2005 General Election is Tuesday, November 8.

Please remember: ballots must be postmarked by election day.

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