



QUALIFICATIONS TO VOTE ABSENTEE BY MAIL

Who can vote absentee by mail?

In Louisiana, you must have a reason to be eligible to absentee vote. Visit sos.la.gov/elections-voting for definitions of each qualification. The following applications are provided based on the different categories of qualification:

- General
 - Categories include: Temporarily Absent, Off-shore, Higher Education, Clergy, Moved Out of Parish, Involuntary Confinement, Hospitalized, Incarcerated
- Disability
- Military or Overseas
- Senior Citizen (65+)
- Sequestered Juror
- Nursing Home

*Information summarized from La. Sec. of State
at sos.la.gov/elections-voting as of Aug. 1, 2026.*

FOR MORE INFORMATION

LDF.vote

QUESTIONS OR ISSUES?

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Know your deadlines.
Exercise your political power.

2026 LOUISIANA ELECTION

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*Source: LA Secretary of State (sos.la.gov/elections-voting)
or otherwise noted*

These are free, nonprofit and nonpartisan voter resources

PICK A VOTING PLAN



MAKE A PLAN TO VOTE.

Visit **LDF.vote** for more info and resources.

1. BY MAIL (if you qualify)



Don't delay! Return your application and ballot ASAP. Qualifications on reverse and deadlines* below:

Application to Registrar by:
Friday, Oct. 30, 4:30pm

Ballot Received by Registrar by:
Monday, Nov. 2, 4:30pm

*Confirm deadlines separately if military/overseas

OR

2. IN PERSON (Early or Election Day)

Early and Election Day voting is open to all voters.

Early Voting:

**Tuesday, October 20 –
Tuesday, October 27**

8:30am – 6:00pm
closed Sunday, October 25

Election Day:

Tuesday, November 3
6am – 8pm

📍 Find your polling site: **GeauxVote.com**

QUALIFICATIONS TO REGISTER

- Be a U.S. citizen;
- Be 17 years old (16 years old if registering in person at the Registrar of Voters Office or at the Louisiana Office of Motor Vehicles), but must be 18 years old to vote;
- Not currently be in prison for a felony conviction. If you are sentenced to only probation, you do not lose your right to vote, and past convictions also do not necessarily prevent you from voting. If you have completed probation/parole, your voting rights have likely been restored. If you have been released for at least 5 years but still on probation/parole, you are likely able to vote unless you were convicted of an election offense (La. R.S. 18:1461.2). You may need to get a Voter Eligibility Certificate from the Dept. of Probation and Parole, then hand deliver it to your local Registrar. Learn more at VoiceoftheExperienced.org
- Not be under a judgment of full interdiction for mental incompetence or partial interdiction with suspension of voting rights;
- Reside in the state and parish in which you seek to register; and
- Must be registered at least 20 days prior to an election if registering through the GeauxVote Online Registration System with a La. driver's license or La. special ID card or 30 days prior to an election if registering in person or by mail to be eligible to vote in that particular election. If mailing in an application, the application or envelope must be postmarked 30 days prior to the first election in which you seek to vote.

ACCEPTED VOTER ID

- A photo ID card with your photo and signature
- U.S. military ID card that contains your name and picture when voting.
- A free Louisiana special identification card by presenting your voter registration information card to the Louisiana Office of Motor Vehicles (OMV)
- Affidavit after correctly answering identifying information before voting.

Note: ID requirements are currently set to change **next** year.

Register by: Monday, October 5 (in-person/by mail) ★ **Tuesday, October 13** (online: **GeauxVote.com**)