

# Locked up in North Carolina? Know Your Voting Rights!



## YOU CAN REGISTER IF...

- You are a US citizen **AND**
- You are 16 or 17 to pre-register and you are 18 by Election Day to vote **AND**
- You live at your NC address for 30 days before Election Day **AND**
- You are **not currently serving a felony sentence, including probation and parole.**

**To register, you will need:** the last 4 digits of your social security number **OR** a NC drivers license **OR** DMV ID number, your full legal name, date of birth, NC residential address, a valid mailing address, phone number, signature, and date.

### Serving a Misdemeanor?

If you are awaiting trial for a misdemeanor charge,

**YOU CAN VOTE** ✓

If you have been convicted of, or are currently serving a sentence for a misdemeanor

**YOU CAN VOTE** ✓

If you are in jail for a misdemeanor charge,

**YOU CAN VOTE** ✓

**You do not lose your right to vote while on papers for a misdemeanor.**

### Serving a Felony?

If you've been charged with a felony but not yet convicted,

**YOU CAN VOTE** ✓

**If you are currently serving a felony conviction—including probation, parole, or post-release supervision—you are not yet eligible to vote.**

**YOU CAN VOTE WHEN TERMS OF SENTENCE ARE COMPLETED** ✓

Once the period of supervision is over, you automatically regain the right to vote, even if you have remaining fines and fees associated with the felony sentence.

**You must register to vote, even if you were registered prior to your conviction.** ✓

Questions or problems?  
Call the NC Voter Hotline:  
1-888-OUR-VOTE



Talk to an attorney about eligibility.  
Forward Justice Hotline:  
877-880-8683

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## MAKE A PLAN TO VOTE!

Find the early voting sites in your county → [youcanvote.org/voting](https://youcanvote.org/voting)

Find your election day polling place → [youcanvote.org/lookup](https://youcanvote.org/lookup)

Learn about the local, state, & federal offices on your ballot → [youcanvote.org/wob](https://youcanvote.org/wob)

## VOTER PHOTO ID: RULES FOR VOTING WITH OR WITHOUT ID

### IF YOU HAVE AN APPROVED ID, BRING IT WITH YOU TO VOTE!

The address on the ID does not have to match your voter registration.

**You Can Vote if you don't have an approved ID. Complete the Photo ID Exception Form.**

#### Unexpired or expired for one year or less:

- NC Drivers License
- NC DMV issued non-driver ID
- US passport or passport card
- NC Student ID \*
- NC government employee ID \*
- FREE ID from county board of elections
- Out-of-state driver license †

\* Some restrictions apply.

#### Any of the following, regardless of expiration:

- US military or Veteran ID
- Tribal ID
- ID card from US or NC government public assistance program

**Over 65? ID is valid for life if the ID was unexpired on the voters 65th birthday.**

† Only if voter registered in North Carolina within 90 days of the election

**\* More Details → [youcanvote.org/voterid](https://youcanvote.org/voterid)**

## NEED HELP VOTING?

You can **bring someone inside to assist you OR** remain in your vehicle to **use curbside voting** (only voters unable to get inside polling location can use curbside voting).

## CAN'T GET TO THE POLLS OR NEED EXTRA TIME VOTING?

**Request an absentee ballot to vote by mail.** Requests are due 7 days before Election Day.

You must return your completed ballot by Election Day. Learn more → [youcanvote.org/mail](https://youcanvote.org/mail)

## STAY IN LINE!

**If you are in line at the time when polls close, stay in line!** If you believe you have registered but your name is not on the rolls or if you are told that you are in the wrong precinct, you can vote with a provisional ballot and receive follow-up instructions.

You have a right to vote without being intimidated or forced to vote in a certain way. Voters who feel harassed or intimidated should notify an election official AND call the NC voter assistance hotline immediately at **1-888-OUR-VOTE**.

For training, additional resources, and support, visit [youcanvote.org](https://youcanvote.org).

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