



**NEW  
VOTER!**

## New Voter FAQ

Step	Process
<p><b>1. Decide how you would like to vote.</b></p>	<p>There are two ways to vote in Minnesota. You can either vote in-person at your polling place, or you can vote absentee.</p> <p><u>To vote on Election Day in-person:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- You must vote at your assigned polling place. It is usually located near where you live. Most polling places are open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.</li> <li>- You have a right to time off work to vote, without losing your pay, personal leave, or vacation time.</li> </ul> <p><u>To vote early absentee:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Order your absentee through the Secretary of State. Order your absentee ballot here: <a href="https://dfi.org/voteearly/">https://dfi.org/voteearly/</a></li> <li>- Once you receive your ballot, you can either mail it according to the instructions on your absentee ballot <b>or</b> you can return your ballot to your local elections office. <b>NOTE:</b> If you return your absentee ballot in-person it must be given to the office by 3pm on Election Day. If you return your absentee ballot by mail, it must be received by election offices by the last mail delivery of the day.</li> </ul>
<p><b>If you are voting in person:</b> <b>2. Go to your polling place and sign in or register to vote.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- If you are registered to vote, your name will be on a list of voters. You just need to write your signature next to your name. If you are registered, you do not need to show an ID when you sign in.</li> <li>- If you did not register before Election Day, you must show proof of your current address. See a list of all the types of ID and documents you can bring.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Step 3: Vote.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- You will vote in a private area, and your vote is secret. Vote with a pen or pencil, and completely fill in the oval next to your choice. You can also fill out your ballot using a ballot-marking machine. It has many options for marking your ballot, such as large print, audio instructions, key pad or touchscreen.</li> <li>- The ballot instructions will say how many candidates you can choose for each office. Usually it will say to 'choose one.' Some local offices may have more than one seat to fill.</li> </ul>

### **More Information:**

<https://dfi.org/voterprotection/> | <https://mnvotes.gov> | <https://iwillvote.com/>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Your ballot will count even if you do not vote on every race or ballot question.</li><li>- If you make a mistake, you have a right to ask for a replacement ballot.</li></ul>
<b>Step 4: Take your ballot to the ballot box.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- After you have voted, put your ballot in the ballot-counter machine.</li><li>- Be sure to get your “I Voted” sticker before you leave!</li></ul>

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