



Conducting a Voter Registration Drive in Maine

Voter Registration Deadlines

- Maine allows Election Day registration at the polls.
- Applications submitted by mail or voter registration drive must be received by the local registrar by close of business 21 days before Election Day.

Getting Started

Training Requirement: Maine does not require training for registration drives..

Notification and Registration Requirements: Maine does not have notification requirements for registration drives.

Compensation Restrictions: Do not pay registration drive participants based on how many registrations they collect.

Obtaining Applications

State Form: [Maine registration cards](#) can be obtained at no cost by requesting them from the Maine Office of Elections at (207) 624-7736. Statewide candidates and qualified parties may request up to 2,000 cards per week, up to a total of 10,000. Other individuals and organizations may request up to 1,000 per week, up to a total of 5,000.

Federal Form: The [federal mail-in voter registration application](#) may be used in voter registration drives.

Handling Applications

Incomplete Applications: Voter registration organizations may fill in missing lines on registration cards with the consent of applicants.

Photocopying Completed Applications: There is no law or rule prohibiting photocopying or retaining information from completed registration applications. **A voter's date of birth, signature, full or partial Social Security Number, and driver's license number should be removed before copying any application.**

Mailing Applications or Submitting Them Through a Third Party: Completed applications must be delivered by 21 days before Election Day.

If a new Maine voter who mails a voter registration application or submits an application through a third party does not include with the application a photocopy of [one of the following identifying documents](#), an election official will contact the person to arrange submission of the document:

- Maine driver's license or other valid photo ID;
- current utility bill;
- bank statement;
- paycheck stub; or
- other government document that shows the voter's name and address.

Fair Elections Center and Campus Vote Project intend the information contained herein is used only as a general guide.

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