



## Conducting a Voter Registration Drive in Ohio

### Voter Registration Deadline

Applications must be received or postmarked 30 days before Election Day.

#### Getting Started

**Training Requirement:** Ohio does not require training for registration drives.

**Notification and Registration Requirements:** Ohio 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:** State registration forms can be downloaded from the [Secretary of State website](#). Individuals or organizations may also request a large number of the registration applications by calling the Secretary of State's request line at (614) 466-3613.

Up to 3,000 forms at a time can be requested in person from the Secretary of State's office.

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

**Photocopying Blank Forms:** Blank applications may be photocopied and used in voter registration drives.

#### Handling Applications

**Incomplete Applications:** Do not fill in any missing information on a registration form unless you have permission from the applicant.

**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.**

**Submitting Completed Applications:** Return completed applications to the Secretary of State's office or a county Board of Elections within 10 days after the registration form is completed or by the registration deadline, whichever is earlier.

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