



Conducting a Voter Registration Drive in South Dakota

Voter Registration Deadline

Applications must be received by 15 days before Election Day.

Getting Started

Training Requirement: South Dakota does not require training for registration drives.

Notification and Registration Requirements: South Dakota does not have notification requirements for registration drives, but all organizations and individuals registering voters must provide the voter their contact information.

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

[Additional information on conducting a voter registration drive can be found here.](#)

Obtaining Applications

State Form: The state mail-in voter registration application can be downloaded from the [State Board of Election's website](#).

A max of 25 forms at a time can be requested in-person at the State Board of Elections.

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

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

Handling Applications

Providing contact information: All organizations and individuals registering voters must provide the voter with their contact information.

Incomplete Applications: Make sure applicants fully complete applications, but 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: All organizations or individuals registering voters must file completed registration forms with the county auditor within 10 days or by the voter registration deadline, whichever occurs first. State applications can be mailed to the appropriate [county auditor](#). The federal form can also be mailed to Secretary of State; Capitol Building; 500 East Capitol Avenue Ste 204; Pierre, SD 57501-5070.

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

This document should not be used as a substitute for consultation with a licensed South Dakota legal professional.

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