### Voter Eligibility Requirements

1. **U.S. Citizen**
   
   You must be a citizen of the United States.

2. **Washington state resident**
   
   Your residential address must be in Washington.

3. **At least 18 years old**
   
   If you are 16 or 17, you can sign up as a Future Voter and be automatically registered to vote when you qualify.

4. **Not disqualified from voting due to a court order**
   
   Only a Superior Court Judge can declare you unable to vote due to mental incompetency.

5. **Not in total confinement for a felony conviction in Washington state**
   
   Your right to vote is restored as long as you are no longer serving a sentence of total confinement in prison with the Washington State Department of Corrections (DOC) or currently incarcerated for a federal or out-of-state felony conviction.

### Voting Rights Restoration

**When the right to vote is restored**

Washington now restores voting rights to citizens with felony convictions immediately upon release from incarceration.

Your right to vote is automatically restored once you’re no longer serving a sentence of total confinement in any state or federal prison, including for federal or out-of-state felony convictions.

You can vote while on community supervision, probation, or parole.

You do not lose the right to vote for a misdemeanor conviction or a conviction in juvenile court.

**Past felony conviction?**

Get registered to vote. Your voting rights were restored upon release from prison.

**Washington votes by mail every election**

Once you are registered to vote, there is no need to request a ballot. Your ballot will be mailed to the residence (or mailing address) that you provide on your registration form.

Voters are sent a ballot at least 18 days before each election and return postage is prepaid.

### Ways to Register to Vote

**Online**

You can register to vote online using your Washington State Driver’s License or ID Card at VoteWA.gov.

**In-Person**

You can locate your County Elections Office at sos.wa.gov/elections, then register to vote in-person during business hours.

**By Mail**

You can request to have a voter registration form mailed to you at sos.wa.gov/elections or by calling 1 (800) 448-4881. You can choose to return that form by mail or in-person at your County Elections Office.

Accessible voter registration and voting options are available. Call 1 (800) 448-4881 for more information.