

# Your Rights as a Voter

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## Frequently Asked Question

## What are my rights as a voter?

## You have the right to:

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- Vote privately and independently.
- Have an accessible polling place with voting machines for voters with disabilities.
- Change or correct your ballot before it is cast.
- Be provided a provisional ballot if you believe you are in the correct polling place during federal elections.

## Additionally, you may:

- Seek assistance from either workers at your polling place, or you may bring someone of your choice to help you cast a ballot (except for your employer or an agent of your union).
- Request that your local election officials to tell you about any accessible equipment, aids, or procedures that are available to help you vote.

## Social Media Graphics



## Sample Social Media Text

#### Facebook / Instagram

• Did you know? You have the right vote privately and independently. Our office has voting equipment that can help you read and mark a ballot without having to rely on someone else to help you fill in your ballot.

You can find answers to other common voting questions here: (insert link to your website, or to the EAC's Voter FAQs)

• Need help at the polls? Our poll workers are trained and ready to help you [insert specific task: use our voting equipment, find your correct polling place, etc.].

You can find answers to other common voting questions here: (insert link to your website, or to the EAC's Voter FAQs)

#### Twitter

• ? Did you know? You have the right vote privately and independently. Find out more: (insert link to your website, or to the <u>EAC's Voter FAQs</u>) #Vote

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# **Federal ID Requirement**

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## Frequently Asked Question

## **Q)** Do I need an ID to register to vote?

The Help America Vote Act creates mandatory minimum standards for states to follow when citizens register to vote for the first time. Most voter registration forms will ask for either a driver's license number, or that the last four digits of your social security number, but each state has different guidelines to register to vote. Please contact your local election office or visit your state or local election website for guidance regarding voter ID requirements in your state.

## **Social Media Graphics**



#### Sample Social Media Text

#### Facebook / Instagram

• Did you know? You can register to vote with a driver's license number, or the last-4 digits of your SSN. [In states where applicable] Don't have those handy? Here are other ways you can get registered today: [list valid forms of photo ID and/or if there is a waiver option available in your state]

You can find answers to other common voting questions here: [insert link to your website, or to the EAC's Voter FAQs]

#### Twitter

- ? Did you know? You can register to vote with a driver's license or the last-4 of your SSN. Find out more about registering to vote at [insert state or local website here]. #RegisterToVote
- Get verified for democracy! Find out how you can register to vote at [insert state or local website here].
  #RegisterToVote
- [In states where applicable] Not registered to vote? You can register online! (laptop emoji) Get your driver's license handy and go to [insert state or local website here] to get started! #RegisterToVote

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# **Becoming a Poll Worker**

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## Frequently Asked Question

# **Q)** How can I sign up to be a poll worker?

Call your local elections office or visit helpamericavote.gov to find information about how to sign up as a poll worker in your state. To get the most up to date information about current poll worker requirements, including student poll workers and language assistance, visit your state or territory's elections website. Additionally, the EAC created a Compendium of State Poll Worker Requirements, last updated in 2016, as a framework for understanding who can serve as a poll worker in the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and four territories.

## Social Media Graphics



## Sample Social Media Text

#### Facebook / Instagram

America needs YOU to work the polls!

Every community relies on people to make elections happen. By serving your community as a poll worker, you can get a front row seat to American democracy, serve your friends and neighbors, and earn some money. In many communities, individuals as young as 16 can serve as poll workers. Join the hundreds of thousands of Americans who serve their communities by going to www.helpamericavote.com, or by contacting your local election official.

#### Twitter

- ? Did you know? People as young as 16 can serve as poll workers during an election. Find out more about being a poll worker at www.helpamericavote.com, or by going to [insert state or local website here]. #HelpAmericaVote
- Earn cash and serve your community! □ Find out how you can become a poll worker at www.helpamericavote.com, or by going to [insert state or local website here]. #HelpAmericaVote
- Get a front seat to democracy sign up today to be a poll worker! Go to www.helpamericavote.com, or [insert state or local website here]. (laptop emoji) #HelpAmericaVote

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# **Preventing Voting Multiple Times**

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## Frequently Asked Question

## **Q)** How do election officials prevent someone from voting twice?

Election administrators take many steps to ensure that voters only cast one ballot in an election. Voters have to be eligible to receive a ballot. Election officials keep detailed records of who has already voted, and who has already requested and received a ballot in the mail. These steps make it difficult for someone to cheat, so voting twice is both easy to catch and extremely rare. Additionally, most state laws make this type of illegal activity a felony that is punishable by time in jail, large fines, or both.

## Social Media Graphics



## Sample Social Media Text

## Facebook / Instagram

- Election officials take security seriously. That's why we keep detailed records of:
  - Who is eligible to vote
  - · Who has received a ballot
  - · Who has cast a ballot

When we say "one person, one vote," we mean it. Find out more about election security at www.eac.gov, or by going to [insert state or local website here].

#### Twitter

- ? Did you know? Election officials keep detailed records for every voter. These records ensure that every eligible voter is able to get a ballot and that they get only one. Find out more at www.eac.gov, or [insert state or local website here].
  #ElectionSecurity
- Making sure that each voter only gets one ballot is just one part election security. □ Find out more at www.eac.gov, or [insert state or local website here]. #ElectionSecurity
- When we say "one person, one vote," we mean it. Find out more about election security at www.eac.gov, or by going to [insert state or local website here]. #ElectionSecurity

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# **Rumor vs. Reality**

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## Frequently Asked Question

# Q) How can I tell if election information is a rumor or reality?

Elections are administered by state and local officials who are trusted sources of accurate information. Opinions about the election process may be incorrect or misleading, and this misinformation can spread rapidly online. It is always best to check with your local elections official whether something is true or not, before sharing it with others to ensure that you are not unintendedly spreading false and misleading election information. The last line of defense in election security is you - the American voter. Be a smart consumer and sharer of information.

## Social Media Graphics



## Sample Social Media Text

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#### Twitter

- ? Did you know? The best information about elections comes from your local election official. Find out more at www.eac.gov, or [insert state or local website here]. #VoteLocal
- Get the voting information that's right for you. Ask your local election official. #VoteLocal
- The last line of defense in election security is you. □ Check with your local officials before sharing election information online. #VoteLocal

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