

# Get out the vote in **Delaware**

## Why should you vote?

Voting is one of the most powerful ways to make your voice heard in our democracy, but in 2016, 43% of the eligible voting-age population (nearly 100 million Americans) did *not* cast a vote for president; and 38.6% did *not* vote for any office.

In 2016, the Black voter turnout rate declined for the first time in 20 years in a presidential election, falling from a record-high 66.6% in 2012 to 59.6% in 2016.

## Delaware's absentee and mail-in voting procedures

### Permanent absentee / mail-in voting procedures:

- Excuse required to request an absentee ballot

### 2020 state absentee / mail-in voting status:

- Coronavirus updates: Mail-in ballot applications sent automatically to all voters in the 2020 primary, general, and special elections.



## How can you register to vote in Delaware?

To register to vote, visit  
<https://blackeconomicalliance.org/register-to-vote/>



**Register**

For more information on voter eligibility you can also visit the State Board of Elections website.

**Election Day: November 3**



## Deadlines to know for voting in Delaware

### Voter registration deadline:

**October 10, 2020**

Twenty-four days before an election.  
Deadlines for special elections are different

### Absentee / Mail-In voting ballot deadlines:

Request must be received by

**November 2, 2020**

Day before the election

### Ballot submission deadline:

Must be received by 8:00 pm on November 3, 2020 (Election Day).

## Voter ID Requirements

### ID may include one of the following:

- DE Driver's License or State ID
- U. S. Passport
- Signed Polling Place\* or Social Security Card
- Signed vehicle registration
- Signed credit card with photo
- A similar document that identifies the person by photo or signature

\* If your Polling Place Card is not current, you must show proof of address

**If none of above IDs, sign affidavit of affirmation that you are the person listed on election district record**

## Verify your registration



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## State Election Office

<https://elections.delaware.gov/index.shtml>