



COVID-19 2020 General Election November 3, 2020

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every vote matters.
every vote counts.

Safety is Our Priority

Election officials are focused on protecting the health of voters and poll managers. We are taking steps to ensure a safer voting environment with social distancing measures.

What is Being Done?

- ⦿ Every voter in South Carolina is now qualified to vote absentee in the 2020 General Election. Regular absentee rules apply to all other elections.
- ⦿ Poll managers are receiving special COVID-19 training on applying social distancing and maintaining sanitary conditions in the polling place.
 - Poll managers are being provided:
 - » Masks, face shields and gloves.
 - » Sneeze guards for check-in stations.
 - » Sanitizing wipes for frequent cleaning of common surfaces.
 - Check-in stations and voting equipment will be spaced at least six feet apart.
 - Voters will be provided disposable cotton swabs for making selections on the touchscreen.
 - Hand sanitizer will be provided for voters and poll managers.

What Can You Do?

- ⦿ To vote absentee by mail:
 - Return your application to your county voter registration office as soon as possible and no later than Saturday, October 24.
 - Once you receive your ballot, vote the ballot, and return it as soon as possible.
 - Be sure to sign the return envelope and have a witness sign and provide address.
 - Ballots must be returned to your county voter registration office no later than 7:00 p.m. on Election Day.
 - It is best to mail your ballot at least a week before election day to help ensure timely delivery.
 - You or an authorized returnee can return your ballot to your county voter registration office in person.
- ⦿ To vote absentee in person:
 - Visit your county voter registration office or satellite absentee location. Get dates, times, and locations at [scVOTES.gov](https://scvotes.gov).
- ⦿ When voting in person:
 - Bring your Photo ID (or voter registration card if you do not have a Photo ID) to hold up for viewing during check in.
 - Wear a protective mask if you have one.
 - Practice social distancing by spacing yourself at least six feet apart from others.
 - If voting at your polling place on Election Day, check your polling place at [scVOTES.gov](https://scvotes.gov) before going to the polls. Some polling places have been relocated due to COVID-19.