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Voter Registration Deadline is October 17, 2016
Election Day is November 8, 2016

RICHMOND, VA – The voter registration deadline for the upcoming Presidential election is October 17th. Successful registration enables all eligible Virginia voters to cast their ballot in the upcoming presidential election on November 8. To register to vote or update your voter registration information:

- By mail: Applications must be postmarked by October 17th.
- In-person: Applications must be submitted by 5:00pm on October 17th.
- Online: Applications must be submitted by 11:59pm on October 17th.

Any Virginian can check or update their registration information or register for the first time at the Department's Online Citizen Portal, available at vote.virginia.gov. Registered voters can also preview their ballot and request an absentee ballot through the website. In September 2016 over 142,000 eligible Virginians registered to vote or submitted an address change online.

To register to vote in Virginia, you must:

- be a U.S. citizen
- be a resident of Virginia
- be at least 18 years old by the upcoming November 8 general election
- have had voting rights restored if convicted of a felony
- have had the capacity restored by court order if declared mentally incapacitated.

In addition to registering online at vote.virginia.gov eligible Virginians may also register at their local voter registration office. You may find additional information about your local general registrar's office [here](#). Voter registration opportunities are also available at DMV customer service centers and social service offices.

For more information about voter registration or casting a ballot in the upcoming general election, visit the Department of Elections website at vote.virginia.gov or call toll-free at (800) 552-9745.

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