Minnesota Voter Registration FAQ

Q: How do I know if I am registered to vote?
A: You can visit the Minnesota Secretary of State’s website to check your status
  - You are able to do this for them by clicking the hyperlink above or give them the URL: www.sos.state.mn.us/elections-voting/register-to-vote

Q: Who’s eligible to vote?
A: To vote in Minnesota, you must be a U.S. citizen, at least 18 years old on Election Day (pre-registration available if you are currently 17) a resident of Minnesota for 20 days, and finished with all parts of any felony sentence (see below for more information).

  Q: Can I vote if I have a felony conviction?
  A: Yes, you can vote after you finish all parts of your sentence, including any probation, parole, or supervised release. As soon as you finish (once you are ‘off-paper’), you can vote.

Q: How can I register to vote?
A: Eligible voters can:
  - Register online at mnvotes.org. You will need: A Minnesota driver’s license, Minnesota identification card number, or the last four numbers of their Social Security number.
  - Register on paper by downloading, printing, filling out and returning a registration form.
    - https://www.sos.state.mn.us/elections-voting/register-to-vote/register-on-paper/
  - Register on Election Day. To do so, you’ll need to bring one proof of residence. The list of eligible documents is available at the Minnesota Secretary of State’s website, which includes vouching by another registered voter in the same precinct.
    - Information about Election Day Registration: www.sos.state.mn.us/elections-voting/register-to-vote/register-on-election-day/

Q: Is there a registration deadline?
A: No, you can register on Election Day. However, pre-registration for Election Day has deadlines. The deadline to register online is 11:59 p.m., 21 days before Election Day. The deadline to register on paper is 5 p.m., 21 days before Election Day. Remember, there are two election dates in 2020. Primary Election Day is Tuesday, August 11th. That’s the election that determines which candidates will be on the ballot. Our General Election Day is Tuesday, November 3rd.
  - Both online and paper pre-registration information can be found at mnvotes.org

Q: Do you have to register to get an absentee ballot?
A: Yes, you will need to be registered to get a ballot mailed to you. If you vote absentee in-person in your county, you can register on the same day.

Q: Do I have to choose a political party when I register?
A: Minnesota does not have political party registration. Voters are not asked to publicly declare affiliation with a political party.