



# CONNECTICUT SECRETARY OF THE STATE HOMELESS VOTER FACT SHEET

*ON ELECTION DAY POLLS ARE OPEN FROM 6AM TO 8PM.*

## AM I ELIGIBLE TO VOTE IN CT?

- Are you at least 17 and turning 18 on or before Election Day?
- Are you a United States Citizen living in Connecticut?
- If you have been convicted of a felony, have you completed confinement and parole?

*If you can answer YES to all three of these questions, you are eligible to vote in CT*

## HOW DO I REGISTER TO VOTE IN CT?

There are two different ways you can register to vote in CT. You are able to register online if you have a CT DMV ID, otherwise you are able to complete a paper registration card and deliver it to your local Registrar of Voters before the registration deadlines. CT also has Election Day Registration available. Visit [myvote.ct.gov](http://myvote.ct.gov), for more info.

## HOW CAN A HOMELESS PERSON BE A RESIDENT OF A TOWN IN CT?

Courts have said that an individual is a resident of a town if they have some nexus to that particular town, and there is an intention to return to that town when absent from it. This could be some town that you have spent time in, slept in, and intend to go back to even if you are not presently there.

## WHAT IS AN ACCEPTABLE FORM OF IDENTIFICATION FOR VOTING?

Your identification must fit one of the following requirements for it to be accepted as a valid form of ID at the polls:

- name and address, or name and signature, or, name and photograph

There may be other instances where some additional types of identification may be required. Contact your local registrar of voters' office or visit [myvote.ct.gov](http://myvote.ct.gov), for more information on ID requirements.

## IMPORTANT CONNECTICUT ELECTION DATES AND DEADLINES

Election Day is Tuesday, November 7th

Online Voter Registration Deadline – October 31<sup>st</sup> (11:59 pm)

Mail Postmark Voter Registration Deadline- October 31st

In-Person Voter Registration Deadline- October 31st

Absentee Ballots Available- Friday, October 6th

Absentee Ballots Received by local Town Clerk (or will not be counted)- Close of Polls 8pm

## I AM UNABLE TO VOTE ON ELECTION DAY, AM I STILL ABLE TO VOTE?

You are able to apply for an absentee ballot if you are out of town on the day of the election and for a few other reasons. After you mail in your absentee ballot application to the local Town Clerk, they will mail you back your absentee ballot to fill out and send back. For links and deadlines to apply visit [myvote.ct.gov](http://myvote.ct.gov)

## WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN MY PHYSICAL AND MAILING ADDRESS?

A mailing address is some place where you are able to receive mail and your physical address is where you are located. Your physical address determines where you vote, not mailing address. For example, your mailing address could be a local shelter or post office, where your physical address could be a particular place such as a park bench. You must be responsible to check for mail at the address provided. A registration confirmation letter will be mailed to you once you are registered. Visit [myvote.ct.gov](http://myvote.ct.gov), for more info.

## WHAT HAPPENS IF I MISS ONE OF THE REGISTRATION DEADLINES, CAN I STILL REGISTER AND VOTE? (ELECTION DAY REGISTRATION)

You may register and vote in person on Election Day if you meet the eligibility requirements for voting in this state and you are not already registered, OR you are registered in one town and want to change your registration because you currently reside in another town. Election Day Registration is not available at your polling place. Contact your local registrar of voter's office for information about your town's designated EDR location and ID requirements. You will need to provide proof of identity and residency. Visit [myvote.ct.gov](http://myvote.ct.gov), for more info.

*FOR LINKS AND MORE DETAILED INFORMATION PLEASE VISIT  
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