

Voter Guide 2022

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Are you election ready?

There are a number of things we need to do to be election ready. Let's start with pre-election day deadlines.

Have a voting plan

Decide HOW you want to vote. We have compiled information to make this process easier.

Check your registration or register to vote

Verify your registration is active or get you registered.

Request an absentee ballot

In most states, the first step to voting by mail is filling out a request form. Request yours today!

Update your signature card

Signature change over the years. Make sure your current signature is on-file with the elections office.

[Links to voting resources and locations are available at the end of this presentation.](#)

Important Dates

| | Primary Election (August 2022) | Midterm Election (November 2022) |
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| Last day to register or update your party affiliation. | July 25 | October 11 |
| Vote-By-Mail Ballots send Deadline | July 14-21 | September 29 - October 6 |
| Deadline to Request Vote-By-Mail Ballot | August 13 | October 29 |
| Early Voting in Miami-Dade County. Drop off Vote-By-Mail Ballots at any early voting location in Miami Dade County. <i>Optional: Bring your ID to have your signature verified (increases likelihood your ballot will not be rejected).</i> | August 8-21 | TBD Required October 29 - November 5 |
| Election Day Vote in-person at your local precinct or drop off Vote-by-Mail ballots at XXX by 7:00pm. | August 23 | November 8 |

Who Can Vote?

- **Registering to vote is a right.** It is available to all persons over the age of 18 and are United States citizens who meet the requirements. [Read the Voter Information Guide.](#) ([Español](#)) ([Kreyòl](#))
- **Who can register to vote**
 - Anyone who is least 18 years old, though you can pre-register at 16.
 - Any citizen of the United States. You can register right after you've become a citizen.
 - You must live in Miami-Dade County to register to vote in Miami-Dade County. There is no length of time you must live in the county as long as you register at least 29 days before the election in which you wish to vote.
- **The following people cannot register to vote:**
 - Anyone who is not a U.S. citizen.
 - Anyone who has been adjudicated mentally incapacitated with respect to voting, and has not had their right to vote restored.
 - Anyone convicted of a felony who has not had their civil rights restored.

Verify You Are Already Registered

- Already registered? CHECK Your Voter Registration Status.
- Better safe than sorry. You can change your registration up to election day. This may mean you have to go to a different voting location. Don't wait. **Verify and update your voter registration** today.
- Verify and update your registration at:
<https://registration.elections.myflorida.com/CheckVoterStatus>
- Use the [State of Florida website](#) to submit an application online or to prefill and print a voter registration application form to sign and mail or deliver to your supervisor of elections. Voter registration application forms ([English PDF](#) / [Español PDF](#)) are also available for download if you do not wish to use this website.
- Check your voter registration status. Two options below:

https://www.miamidade.gov/global/service.page?Mduid_service=ser151187731708822

<https://registertovoteflorida.gov/home>

What do you need to register?

- Prospective voters who meet all the eligibility requirements can [register to vote online](#). You may also submit a [Voter Registration Application \(Español\)](#) ([Kreyòl](#)) by mail. Please print, sign it and mail it to the Elections Department. The application must contain the applicant's original signature.
- When you register to vote, it is required by law that you include a residential address. A P.O. Box or business address is only allowed as a mailing address, not as a home address.
- A family member may drop off your application at the Elections Department or the Elections Branch office downtown with a copy of the necessary ID.

To submit an online application, you will need:

- Your Florida driver license (Florida DL) or Florida identification card (Florida ID card) issued by the Florida Department of Highway Safety & Motor Vehicles.
- The issued date of your Florida DL or Florida ID card; and
- The last four digits of your Social Security Number (SSN4).

Register to Vote

- Are you eligible to vote? If yes you should register to vote. It is your civic duty.
- Voters must register by no later than 29 days BEFORE an election. DO NOT WAIT FOR THE LAST DAY!
 - Primary Voter Registration Deadline: July 25, 2022
 - November Election Voter Registration Deadline: October 11, 2022
- Register **Online** at <https://registertovoteflorida.gov/home>
- Register **in Person**. Check ahead. Due to COVID-19 many offices are closed or operate with restrictions and limited hours.
- Register **by Mail** (must be postmarked by October 4, 2021) For a postmark you must visit your local post office and request a postmark stamp. You can also certify your mailing for an additional charge.

Do not wait for October 4th -- Eligible voters register today.

Request a Vote-by-Mail ballot

- Deadlines to Request Vote-By-Mail Ballots:
 - Primary Election: August 13, 2022
 - Midterm Election: October 29, 2022
- Request your ballot online at https://www.miamidade.gov/global/service.page?Mduid_service=ser1512065909614490

Returning a Vote-by-Mail ballot

Mail ballots must be returned as follows:

1. **By Mail** – A Vote-by-Mail ballot may be returned via the United States Postal Service and must be *received* by 7 p.m. on Election Day.
2. **Dropped off at any Early Voting location** during the hours of operation via secure drop box.
3. **Dropped off in person during business hours** (Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.):
 - Miami-Dade Elections Department
2700 NW 87th Avenue, Miami, FL 33172
4. **By Voter's Designee** – Limited to two ballots per election, only one of which may be from a voter who is not the spouse, parent, child, legal guardian, sibling, grand parent, grandchild, in-law parent and in-law sibling.

Is there a way to track my Vote-by-Mail ballot?

- Yes! On the Elections Department website:
https://www.miamidade.gov/global/service.page?Mduid_service=ser151187731708822

VOTE! Early Voting

- **Vote early:** Florida voters can also vote before Election Day.
 - **2022 Primary Early Voting Dates: August 8-21**
 - **2022 Midterm Early Voting Dates: TBD**
- **Get a Sample Ballot.** A great way to make voting easier is to request a sample ballot. Research your candidates, make your selection and take your sample ballot with you when you vote. It will serve only as a guide. You still have to vote.
- **EARLY VOTING LOCATIONS:** Make sure you know where to vote. Miami-Dade County early voting locations are available at:
 - 2022 Primary Early Voting Locations & Hours (August 8-21):
<https://www.miamidade.gov/elections/library/2022-08-23-primary-election-early-voting-schedule.pdf>
 - 2022 Midterm Early Voting Locations & Hours: Link coming soon

Vote! Election Day

- Election Day is the last day to cast your ballot. Vote In-Person or drop off your mail-in ballot. Mail-In, drop-offs must be received by 7pm on Election Day to be counted.
 - Primary Election Day: August 23, 2022
 - Midterm Election Day: November 8, 2022
- If you choose to vote on Election Day, you must go to your assigned voting location, which is determined by your home address. You can find your exact Election Day voting location by checking your voter information. Through that application, you can also read your sample ballot, update your voter information, learn about upcoming elections and more.
- Precincts are open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Election Day. Check out the [Voter Toolkit](#) to know what information you need to bring with you to vote.
- For more information, call 311.

Something went wrong?

- **What if a voter does not receive their Voter Information Card?** Voters that have registered to vote or made a change (such as address or party affiliation) to their registration, and have not received their new Voter Information Card, may call **305-499-VOTE**. Please note, voters do not need their Voter Information Card to vote, only a photo ID with signature.
- **Do Vote-by-Mail Ballots count?** Yes, provided the signed vote-by-mail ballot envelope is returned no later than 7:00 p.m. on Election Day. Because the Elections Department will verify a voter's signature by comparing it to the signature on file, voters need to ensure their signature has been updated.
- **What if a voter's name is not found?** An Elections Specialist stationed at the precinct will check to see if person is a registered voter by researching their information on a live voter database at the polling place. If the poll worker informs a voter that they cannot vote, the person has the right to know the reason and vote a provisional ballot.
- **Should voters vote a Provisional Ballot when they have an address change?** No. The clerk will fill out an Affirmation Form to record the change of address. Voters must vote in their assigned home precinct so a voter who changes their address at the voting location may need to go to a different voting location on Election Day.

Elections Contacts and Links

- Miami-Dade County Voter Information Guide
<https://www.miamidade.gov/elections/library/guidelines/voter-information-guide.pdf>
- Miami-Dade Office of Elections, [2am - 700 NW 87 Avenue, Doral, FL 33172](#)
305-499-VOTE (8683). Mon – Fri 8am – 5pm
- Voter Assistance Hotline: The Division of Elections provides a toll-free hotline for general questions: 1-866-308-6739.
- [State of Florida, Secretary of State](#)
Florida Division of Elections, R.A. Gray Building, Room 316, 500 South Bronough Street
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0250
Phone Number: (850) 245-6200

LINKS:

<https://www.miamidade.gov/global/elections/home.page>

<https://dos.myflorida.com/elections/>

www.vote.org

www.ballotpedia.com

The preceding information was compiled from published information from the State of Florida and Miami-Dade County. Check back for election day locations, hours and any possible changes.