

Plan Your Vote!

California Voting FAQs and Tips

How do I know if I am registered to vote?

Go to <https://voterstatus.sos.ca.gov/>. You can check your status, check or update your current registered address, and sign up to track your ballot after you cast it.

Do I need an excuse to vote by mail?

NO. All registered Californians will receive a ballot at their current registered address. Ballots will start to be mailed in the first week of October.

What is the deadline to register?

Monday, October 19 (online or by mail), or November 3 (in person only).

When do I need to mail my ballot?

Must be postmarked by Tuesday, November 3, and received no later than Friday, November 20.

Can I drop off my ballot in person?

- YES, at a Vote Center or a secure Drop Box.
- For Vote Center locations, go to <https://locator.lavote.net/locations/vc>.
- For Drop Box locations, go to <https://lavote.net/home/voting-elections/voting-options/vote-by-mail/vbm-ballot-drop-off>.

Can I vote without a notary or witness? YES.

How can I avoid the most common vote-by-mail errors? MAKE SURE YOU:

- ✓ Place your voted ballot card(s) inside the Official Return Envelope.
- ✓ Securely seal the Official Return Envelope.
- ✓ Sign and date the back of the Official Return Envelope.

Can I vote in person before Election Day?

YES, both by early absentee and early in-person voting.

What is the first day to vote early in person at a Vote Center?

MONDAY, OCTOBER 24.

When is the last day to vote in person at a Vote Center?

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3.

How can I make sure my ballot is counted? Sign up to track your ballot at <https://california.ballottrax.net/voter/> and watch it get counted!

How to Return your Vote by Mail Ballot in L.A. County

DROP BOXES

There will be hundreds of safe and secure drop boxes beginning October 5

USPS RECOMMENDATION

Return your ballot early!

If your ballot is postmarked by Election Day and received within 17 days your ballot will be accepted

The infographic includes illustrations of ballot boxes, a person at a drop box, a person at a post office, and a ballot envelope. The L.A. County Registrar's Office logo is in the bottom left, and the LAVote.net logo is in the bottom right.