# GOTV in Connecticut

## First things first

## Register to vote:

- Go to: vote411.org/pflag
  - Check your registration status
  - If you are not registered REGISTER NOW.
  - Find information about who is eligible to vote in Connecticut
- When you register you will be asked for your current address and ID Number (driver's license, state ID, or social security number).
- The voter registration deadline in Colorado is October 18.





You can register to vote on election day in Connecticut (but not at your polling place).

Find a "Same Day Registration" (SDR) location here: <a href="portal.ct.gov/sots/">portal.ct.gov/sots/</a>
<a href="election-services/election-day-registration">election-services/election-day-registration</a>
<a href="registration">registration</a>

## Voter Identification

In Connecticut, identification is sometimes required to cast a ballot.

- First time voters who registered by mail must provide valid identification or cast a provisional ballot.
- All other voters (most voters) must:
  - Present a social security card or any printed form of identification that shows your name and address, or name and signature, or name and photograph; OR sign a statement under penalty of perjury that you are the same person that appears on the official election checklist.
  - For more information visit: vote411.org/pflag

## **Acceptable ID**

Driver's License

Current utility bill, bank statement, government check, or paycheck

**US Passport** 

**US Military ID Card** 

And More!



# **Voting While Trans/Nonbinary**

The state of Connecticut does not provide any specific guidance for trans and nonbinary voters. Here are a few recommendations from Advocates for Trans Equality:

- Bring valid ID and backups (voter registration card, utility bill)
- Share the #VotingWhileTrans guide with poll workers
- If needed, connect with a volunteer attorney on-site or call the National Election Protection Hotline (866-OUR-VOTE)
- Worst case, request and cast a provisional ballot and be sure to ask for follow-up instructions





# Voting While Living With a Disability

- You can obtain permanent absentee voter status if you have a permanent disability.
- An accessible ballot marking device is available at every polling place.
- Curbside voting is available for those that "become temporarily incapacitated" when they arrive at the polling place.
- You can obtain an emergency absentee ballot if you are suddenly injured or ill within six days
  of the election.
- You can ask to move to the front of the line or request a chair if you physically cannot stand in line.
- For more information: <u>portal.ct.gov/sots/election-services/accessible-voting</u>



# Absentee voting or voting by mail

## Vote by mail.

- Connecticut requires an excuse for absentee voting. Valid excuses include:
  - An absence from your town on Election Day
  - A sickness or disability (not necessarily your own) that prevents you from appearing at your polling place
  - Active duty military service
  - Religious tenets that forbid secular activity on the day of the election

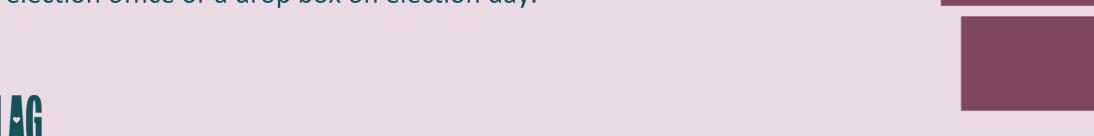




# Absentee voting or voting by mail

## Vote by mail.

- Voters must request their absentee ballot by November 4.
- You can request an absentee ballot here: <u>oabr-</u> <u>sots.ct.gov/OABR/absenteeBallotReqPortalHome.do</u>.
- In Connecticut, an absentee ballot must be received by November 5 (Election Day).
- Your absentee ballot can be hand delivered to your local election office or a drop box on election day.





PFLAG recommends that voters request their absentee ballots as soon as possible and get them in the mailbox no later than Tuesday, October 22.

# **Early voting**

## Vote early.

- All registered voters in Connecticut can vote early for any reason.
- You can find information about early voting locations in Colorado a here: vote411.org/pflag
- Early voting begins in Connecticut on October 21 and ends on November 3.
- Voters who plan to vote early in Connecticut are required to have ID.
   Learn more here: <u>portal.ct.gov/sots/election-services/faq/faq---voter-identification</u>





## **Voting on Election Day:**

## Vote on election day.

- Polls open in Connecticut at 6am and close at 8pm on Tuesday, November 5.
- You can find information about the location of your polling place here:
   vote411.org/pflag.
- If you arrive and are told you won't be allowed to vote:
  - Don't panic. Ask why, fix any problems, ask about same day registration, request a provisional ballot, etc.
  - Call 866-OUR-VOTE or 888-VE-Y-VOTA.





# If you are in line to vote when the polls close, STAY IN LINE.