GOTV in Massachusetts

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 Massachusetts
- 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 Massachusetts is October 26.





Voter Identification

In Massachusetts, identification may be required to register and cast a ballot. You may need to show identification before voting if:

- You're voting for the first time in Massachusetts, you're on the inactive voter list, or the the poll worker has a "practical and legal reason" to ask
- For more information visit: vote411.org/pflag
- There are resources available to help:
 - League of Women Voters of Massachusetts:
 lwvma.org/massachusetts-voters-bill-of-rights/
 - Vote Riders: voteriders.org/freehelp/

Acceptable ID

Driver's license

State ID card

Recent utility bill

Rent receipt or lease

Letter from a school dormitory

Copy of a voter registration affidavit

And More!



Voting While Trans/Nonbinary

The state of Massachusetts 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

- All voting locations will have accessible parking, entrances, and ramps.
- You can vote through the mail using an absentee ballot.
- All voting locations will have at least one accessible voting machine. This machine can display
 the ballot in high-contrast, magnified text, and audio. You can watch this video for more
 information on the machine: essvote-1.wistia.com/medias/owccwvkg03
- Curbside voting is not available.
- More information can be found here: <u>sec.state.ma.us/divisions/elections/voting-information/voters-with-disabilities.htm</u>



Absentee voting or voting by mail

Vote by mail.

- In Massachusetts, all registered voters are eligible for no-excuse voting by mail. They will
 receive a postcard application for their mail ballot no later than 45 days before the election.
- Some voters may still need to fill out an absentee ballot application if:
 - You will be away from your town on Election Day
 - You are requesting an emergency absentee ballot due to hospitalization
 - You are on active military duty





Absentee voting or voting by mail

Vote by mail.

- Voters must request their absentee/mail-in ballot by October 29.
- In Massachusetts, an absentee/mail-in ballot must be received by 8pm on November 5.
- You can request an absentee ballot here: sec.state.ma.us/MailInRequestWeb/MailInBallot.aspx.
- You cannot drop your ballot off at a polling place on election day.
 You must mail it back, hand deliver it to your local election office, or use a ballot drop box.



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 Massachusetts can vote early for any reason.
- You can find information about early voting locations in Massachusetts here:
 vote411.org/pflag
- Early voting begins in Massachusetts on October 19 and ends on November 1.





Voting on Election Day:

Vote on election day.

- Polls open in Massachusetts at 7am 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.