

# GOTV in Rhode Island

# First things first

## Register to vote:

- Go to: [vote411.org/pflag](https://vote411.org/pflag)
  - Check your registration status
  - If you are not registered – REGISTER NOW.
  - Find information about who is eligible to vote in Rhode Island
- 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 Rhode Island is **October 6**.



# Voter Identification

In Rhode Island, photo IDs are required to cast a ballot.

- If you do not possess an acceptable photo ID, you can receive a free voter photo ID card.
- If you don't provide a photo ID, you can cast a provisional ballot and provide a photo ID to the Board of Canvassers by close of business on November 6.
- For more information visit: [vote411.org/pflag](https://vote411.org/pflag)
- There are resources available to help:
  - **ACLU Rhode Island:** [.riaclu.org/en/know-your-rights/know-your-rights-voting-ri](https://riaclu.org/en/know-your-rights/know-your-rights-voting-ri)
  - **Vote Riders:** [voteriders.org/freehelp/](https://voteriders.org/freehelp/)

## Acceptable Photo ID

RI Driver's License or  
Permit

RI Voter ID Card

US Passport

US military ID

Tribal ID

**And more!**

# Voting While Trans/Nonbinary

The state of Rhode Island provides specific guidance for trans and nonbinary voters. There is an infographic available on the Secretary of State's website here: [vote.sos.ri.gov/Forms/elections/VoterIDfortheTransCommunity/TransVoteRI-infographic-illustration-english.pdf](https://vote.sos.ri.gov/Forms/elections/VoterIDfortheTransCommunity/TransVoteRI-infographic-illustration-english.pdf)

Here are additional 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



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# Voting While Living With a Disability

- Each polling place will have an accessible voting machine, the ExpressVote system.
- ExpressVote features include: touch screen, tactile controller, buttons with Braille text, audio, ADA dual switch access port, and high contrast mode.
- All voters over 65 must be allowed to use the seated voting booth.
- Curbside voting is not available. Voters with a medical disability that doesn't allow them to wait in line, can be moved to the front of the line.
- Voters with print disabilities can vote an online accessible ballot. You can return the ballot via email.
- For more information: [vote.sos.ri.gov/Voter/AccessibleVoting](https://vote.sos.ri.gov/Voter/AccessibleVoting)

# Absentee voting or voting by mail

## Vote by mail.

- Rhode Island does not require an excuse for absentee voting.
- Voters must request their absentee ballot by October 15.
- In Rhode Island, an absentee ballot must be received by 8pm on November 5.
- You can request an absentee ballot here: [mailballot.sos.ri.gov/](https://mailballot.sos.ri.gov/).
- Your absentee ballot cannot be hand delivered to your polling place on election day. You must return it via mail, drop box, or hand delivery at the Board of Elections at 2000 Plainfield Pike, Suite A Cranston, RI 02921.



**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

- All registered voters in Rhode Island can vote early for any reason.
- You can find information about early voting locations in Rhode Island here: [vote411.org/pflag](https://vote411.org/pflag)
- Early voting begins in Rhode Island on October 16 and ends on November 4.
- Voters who plan to vote early in Rhode Island are required to have identification. Learn more here: [elections.ri.gov/voter-registration/voter-id](https://elections.ri.gov/voter-registration/voter-id)





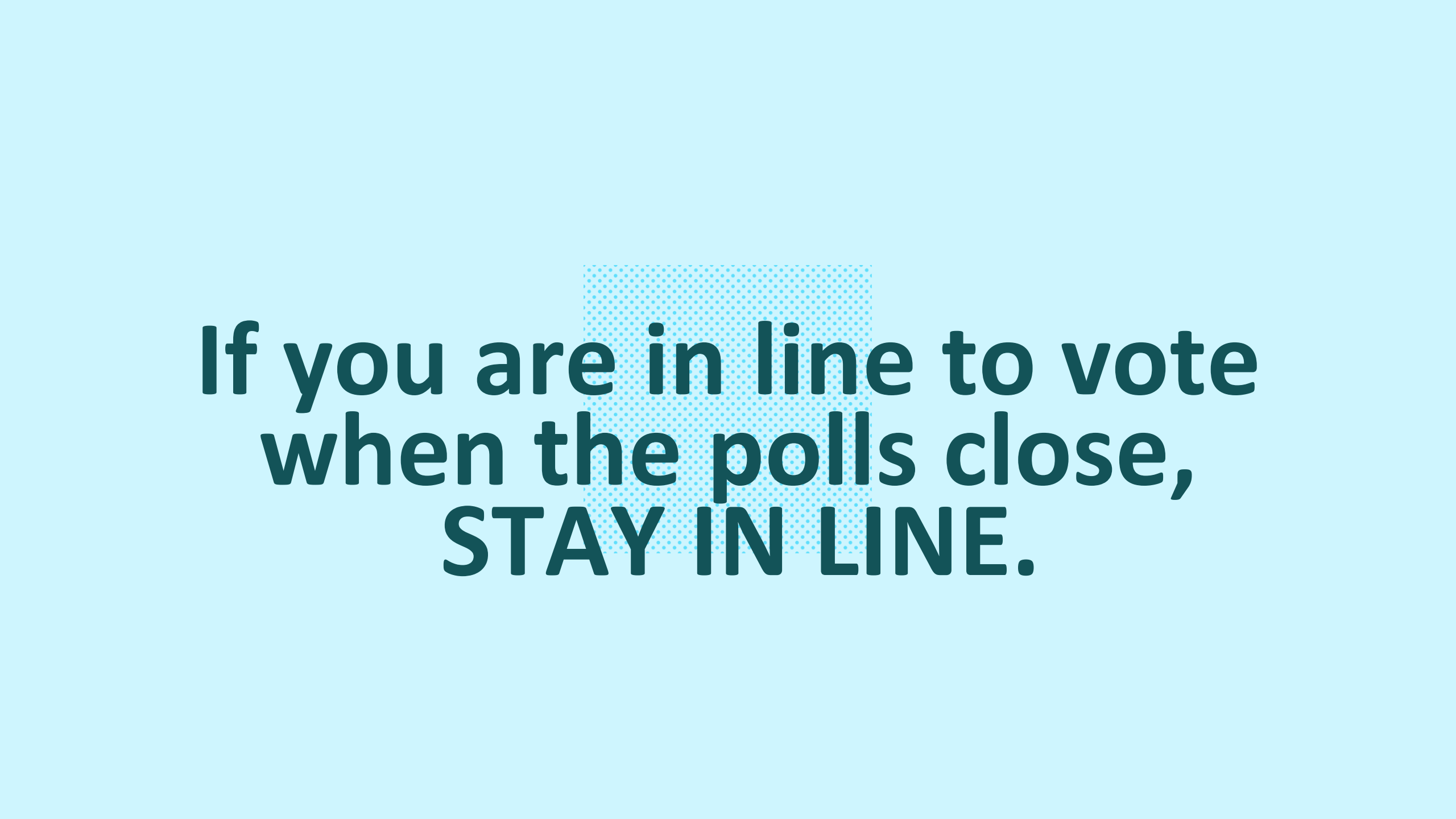
## Getting Out The Vote

# Voting on Election Day:

### **Vote on election day.**

- Polls open in Rhode Island 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](https://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.**