

GOTV in South Dakota

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 South Dakota
- 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 South Dakota is October 19.



Voter Identification

In South Dakota, photo IDs are required register to vote and to cast a ballot.

- When registering you will also be asked for documentary proof of US citizenship. Voters who do not provide proof of citizenship will be registered as a federal-only voter and will not be allowed to vote in state and local elections.
- If you do not have a photo ID, you can sign a personal identification affidavit, and will still be allowed to vote a regular ballot.
- For more information visit: vote411.org/pflag

Acceptable Photo ID

SD driver's license

SD nondriver ID card

US Passport

US Military ID

Tribal photo ID

Current Student
ID that includes a
photo

Voting While Trans/Nonbinary

The state of South Dakota 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 polling places in South Dakota will have an accessible voting machine called the, ExpressVote. It will allow for your ballot to be enlarged, shown in reverse contrast, and can provide an audio description of the ballot.
- Voters who have a disability or physical limitations can ask for assistance at their polling place and can contact their local County Election Official if special arrangements are needed.
- Voters with disabilities can vote an absentee (mail-in) ballot.
- Curbside voting is not available.
- More information: sdsos.gov/elections-voting/voting/polling-place-accessibility.aspx

Voting as a New Citizen

Naturalized citizens have the same right to vote as citizens born in the United States. VoteRiders, a nonpartisan organization focused on voter-ID, recommends that new citizens:

- Update ID documents to be sure your citizen status is reflected accurately.
- Check your voter registration to ensure that you are registered (and then check again before your state's voter registration deadline).
- Familiarize yourself with the laws in your state that have to do with voting. Verify if language assistance is readily available.
- You can find additional information here: voteriders.org/voter/citizen



Absentee voting or voting by mail

Vote by mail.

- South Dakota does not require an excuse for absentee voting.
- You can download an absentee ballot application here: sdsos.gov/elections-voting/voting/absentee-voting.aspx.
- Applications to vote by mail must include either a photocopy of the voter's ID or a signature from a notary.
- Voters must request their absentee ballot by November 2.



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- In South Dakota, an absentee ballot must be received by your County Election Official on November 3 with "enough time to deliver your ballot to your voting precinct before the polls close."
- Your absentee ballot cannot be hand delivered to your polling place on election day.
- You must return the ballot by mail or to your County Election Official.
- Drop boxes are not available and have been outlawed in South Dakota.



**PFLAG recommends that voters
request their absentee ballots as soon
as possible and get them in the
mailbox no later than Tuesday,
October 20.**

Early Voting

Vote early.

- All registered voters in South Dakota can vote early (in-person absentee) for any reason.
- You can vote early at your county auditor's office. You can find information about early voting locations in South Dakota here: vote411.org/pflag
- Early voting begins in South Dakota on September 18 and ends on November 2.
- Voters who plan to vote early in South Dakota are required to have identification. Learn more here: sdsos.gov/elections-voting/voting/default.aspx



Getting Out The Vote

Voting on Election Day:

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- Polls open in South Dakota at 7am and close at 7pm (local time) on Tuesday, November 3.
- 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.**