

# MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

## VOTE in YOUR City or Town



### Be an Unstoppable Voter

Your vote can shape the future of your town or city.



### Municipal Elections

Many cities and towns have elections in fall of 2021 and spring of 2022. Winners oversee police, city services, and have the power to affect your life.



### Dates and Times Vary

To check your county's election details, visit [demnc.co/votelocal](https://demnc.co/votelocal)

Voting questions? Visit [ncvoter.org](https://ncvoter.org) or call **888-OUR-VOTE (888-687-8683)**.

**DEMOCRACY** **NC**

# TOP 10 TIPS FOR VOTING IN YOUR CITY

- 1. REGISTER.** You can register to vote at your current address—online or by print form—25 days before Election Day, or in person at an Early Voting site. A 17 year-old may register and vote if they will be 18 by Election Day. Register again if you move. If you're displaced by COVID-19, register and vote in the county you consider your home. For more rules, visit [demnc.co/register](https://demnc.co/register).

**PRO TIP** Check your registration now to make sure you're ready to vote at [demnc.co/lookup](https://demnc.co/lookup).

- 2. VOTE EARLY.** Many counties offer Early Voting. You can register AND vote on the same day during the 17-day Early Voting period ONLY. Just fill out a form at your county's Early Voting site, and show one of the following with a name and address: a gov't document, pay stub, utility bill, bank statement, or student ID with a school document showing your name and address. Find your Early Voting site at [demnc.co/voteearly](https://demnc.co/voteearly).
- 3. ABSENTEE VOTE BY MAIL.** Many counties offer absentee voting by mail. Any registered voter may vote by mail. Learn the latest rules about what you'll need and who can help you vote by mail at [demnc.co/absentee](https://demnc.co/absentee).

#### 4. **BEEN LOCKED UP? DON'T GET LOCKED OUT.**

If you've been convicted of a misdemeanor, you never lose your right to vote. If you've been convicted of a felony but have finished your sentence, you can vote. If you are currently serving a sentence for a felony conviction, you may be able to vote. For more information, visit [demnc.co/notlockedout](https://demnc.co/notlockedout).

5. **ASSISTANCE.** A near family member may help you vote; voters with a disability or difficulty reading may get help from anyone (except their employer or union agent). You have the right to vote curbside from your vehicle if you can't reach the voting room due to age, a physical or mental disability, or you have COVID symptoms, can't wear a mask, or have a medical condition that puts you at greater risk of COVID. Problems voting curbside? Call **888-OUR-VOTE**.

6. **BACK-UP PLAN.** If you go to the wrong precinct and do not have time to get to your correct precinct, you can vote a provisional ballot. If you are told that you cannot vote a normal ballot for another reason, you have the right to vote a provisional ballot. Ask for it! If you are denied a provisional ballot, call **888-OUR-VOTE** immediately.

7. **VOTE YOUR ENTIRE BALLOT.** You can take a cell phone or paper list into the polls to help remember your choices for each elected office, but no photos are allowed. If you mess up your ballot, just ask for a new one.

**PRO TIP** Review your sample ballot and nonpartisan voter guides at [ncvoter.org](https://ncvoter.org) for more on your local races.

8. **VOTE IN-PERSON SAFELY.** Officials are planning precautions at in-person sites, including masks, sanitizers, single-use pens, and social distancing procedures.
9. **ELECTION DAY.** Polls are open 6:30 AM to 7:30 PM. Vote at your polling location, NOT an Early Voting location. Visit [demnc.co/lookup](https://demnc.co/lookup) to find your Election Day polling location.
10. **ID RULES.** You do not need to show a photo ID to vote. Courts have blocked NC's photo ID requirement to vote. You should not be asked to verify your identity at the polls unless you use same-day registration (tip #3) or are a first-time voter in your county and your registration was not already verified. Learn more at [ncvoter.org](https://ncvoter.org).



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