## **Common questions**

- What if I make a mistake on the ballot?
  - It happens. You can request a new ballot from the precinct worker.

#### • If I need to, how do I file a complaint?

• First, ask for the chairperson of the election board at your polling place. There may be poll watchers near your polling place who might be able to assist you. You can also call your county clerk or file a complaint with the Wyoming Secretary of State.

## • What if someone tries to intimidate or harass me?

• Tell a poll worker. If a poll worker is the problem, tell a poll watcher, call your county clerk, or call the Secretary of State. Poll watchers are typically found outside a polling place.

### • What are provisional ballots?

- If you believe you are registered to vote and are in the correct polling place on Election Day, you may request a provisional ballot. This will be used to record a vote when there are questions about a given voter's eligibility.
- After casting a provisional ballot, you have until close of business the day following the election to present documentation to the county clerk establishing your ability to register and vote in the district where you cast your provisional ballot.
- Afterward, you will be sent a notice within 13 days if your ballot was counted or not counted. If it wasn't counted, you will be told the reason.

**Please note.** This brochure is a resource, not legal advice. It is provided for informational purposes only. Wyoming may revise its laws after this brochure is printed or published online.

If you believe your rights have been violated or for more information on your rights as a voter, contact us at aclu-wy.org or email acluwy@aclu.org.

## **Quick tips**

- Check your voter registration at least 30 days before the election.
- Locate your polling place and note the hours of operation.
- Consider voting early or absentee if possible. If you plan to vote at the polls, go in early in the day to avoid a last-minute rush.
- Read all instructions carefully.
- Ask for help if you need it.
- Take your time.

## **More information**

- Wyoming Secretary of State Elections Division: 307-777-5860 or sos.wyo.gov
- Election Protection: 866-OUR-VOTE (687-8683)
- U.S. Department of Justice Civil Rights Division, Voting Section: 800-253-3931

## **Get invovled**

- Become a precinct worker: Precinct workers are key players in running polling places on Election Day. This paid position is recruited by your County Auditor.
- Find out more by visiting sos.wyo.gov.

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### **GENERAL VOTING INFORMATION**

- **Basic requirements:** You must be 18 years old, a U.S. citizen, and a resident of Wyoming as well as a resident of the precinct in which you register.
- Voting if you're attending college: You can register to vote at your school address or your home address, whichever you consider your primary legal residence.
- Voting with a criminal record: First-time nonviolent felons who have completed their supervision or were discharged from an institution on or after Jan. 1, 2010 automatically have their voting rights restored. Individuals who completed their sentence prior to Jan. 1, 2010, are required to apply for restoration of the right to vote.
  - If you qualify for automatic voting rights restoration, you will receive a signed certificate from the Wyoming Department of Corrections which indicates your voting rights have been restored. For additional information on the restoration of voting rights, contact the Department of Corrections at 307-777-6341.
- Voting if you're experiencing homelessness: You don't need a home to vote, but you must identify a place of residence (which can be a street corner, a park, a shelter, or any other place where you usually stay). You must also provide a mailing address, such as a shelter or advocacy organization, at which you can receive mail.
- Voting rights and ADA requirements: Call your county clerk right away and ask for accommodation or reassignment to an accessible polling place.
  - If you feel you cannot vote on the day of the election, fill out an absentee ballot application and mail it to your county clerk as soon as possible.
  - If you need help because of a physical disability or because you have difficulty reading or writing in English, tell a poll worker when you get to the polling place.
  - If you need instructions on how to use the voting equipment, ask a poll worker for help. Poll workers are required to help you any time you ask even after you have entered the voting booth.
- Moving and address changes:
  - If you moved or changed addresses within the same county, you should update your voter

information with your county clerk's office prior to the election.

- If you have not done so you will be required to update your information at your polling place before voting.
- If you moved or changed addresses in a different county, you will need to re-register at your polling place before voting.

### **Voter registration**

- Register in person at your county clerk's office or by mail after printing off a registration form which can be located at **sos.wyo.gov.**
- If registering by mail, fill out the form, sign it, and then get it notarized prior to submitting it to your county auditor. This requirement is waived if you are in the military or live overseas.
- Registered voters can no longer change your party affiliation at the poll on election day. The deadline to change party affiliation for Wyoming's primary was in May. Qualified voters who are not yet registered will still be able to register and choose their party day of.
- Voter registration closes two weeks prior to an election. However, you may still register and vote absentee at the same time within that two-week period or at the polls on Election Day. Registration during this time can be accomplished in two ways.
  - Register and vote simultaneously at either your county clerk's office or an absentee polling place.
  - Register via mail and include a request for an absentee ballot. Both the voter registration form and the absentee ballot form are available at **sos.wyo.gov.**
- If you end up registering to vote on Election Day, you must bring acceptable identification such as:
  - A Wyoming driver's license
  - United States passport or state-issued ID
  - A tribal ID of any federally recognized Tribe
  - ID issued by a Wyoming university or school.
  - United States Military Card
  - ID issued to a dependent of a member of the United States Armed Forces
- **Confirming voter registration:** You can confirm your voter registration by calling your county clerk's office or check **sos.wyo.gov.**

### **Voting on Election Day**

- Election Day 2024 is on Tuesday, Nov. 5 and polls are open 7 a.m. 7 p.m.
  - You have the right to vote if you're in line or inside your polling place when the polls close.
- Getting time off work: If your work schedule would make it impossible for you to vote in-person while the polls are open, your employer is required to give you time off to vote, without penalty or deduction in your wages. Your employer has the right to specify which hours you get to take.
- On Election Day, you must vote at your assigned polling place. Find yours at **sos.wyo.gov.**

### **Voter ID information**

- In person voters are required to show a form of identification. The state of Wyoming accepts any of the following documents:
  - Wyo. Driver's License or ID Card, Tribal ID Card, Valid U.S. Passport, U.S. Military Card, Driver's License or ID Card from Another State, University of Wyo. Student ID, Wyo. Community College Student, Wyo. Public School Student ID, Medicare Insurance Card\*, or Medicaid Insurance Card\*
- If you do not have one of the documents in the list above, you may obtain a free Wyoming Identification Card from your local Driver Services office at aclu-wy.org/driver-service-office.
- Voters who mail in their absentee ballot are not required to provide any additional form of identification.

### **Absentee voting**

- Absentee voting/early voting is now shorter than before for most voters. The previous 45-day time frame was reduced to 28 days.
- In order for your vote to be counted, absentee ballots must be received in the county clerk's office no later than 7 p.m. on Election Day. Ballots arriving after the deadline won't be counted.
  - Bring your completed absentee ballot in the signed envelope to your county clerk's office.
  - Mail your completed absentee ballot in the provided envelope to your county clerk's office. Please note that mail delivery within the county may take up to seven days, and longer if you're mailing your ballot from outside the county.