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Take part in the Aug. 4 statewide Primary Election

Michigan will hold a state Primary Election on Aug. 4 to help determine which candidates will be on the ballot in the November General Election.

Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Election Day in every jurisdiction.

Check your registration status at the Michigan Voter Information Center at mi.gov/vote.

When voting a primary ballot, voters may only select candidates from the same political party, not both. Voting for candidates from both the Democratic and Republican parties – known as ticket-splitting – is not allowed under Michigan law in the primary and those partisan votes will not be counted. If you don't wish to vote in the partisan section and your jurisdiction has local contests, you can still vote in that section.

Early voting

The opportunity to vote early in person is available to voters in every city and township in Michigan through Sunday, Aug. 2. Early voting is an experience similar to voting on Election Day. Voters are issued a ballot and can then insert it directly into a tabulator at their early voting site.

The location of your early voting site may differ from your normal polling location because voters from more than one precinct, city or township may be assigned to a single, shared early voting site.

To learn more, and to find your early voting site and hours, visit [mi/earlyvoting.com](https://mi.gov/earlyvoting.com).

Absentee voting

All city and township clerks are offering office hours this weekend, Aug. 1 and/or 2. Visit mi.gov/vote to find your clerk's location and hours.

Mail (absentee) ballots have been available since June and can be requested in person in your local clerk's office until 4 p.m. on Aug. 3, and through Election Day if registering to vote at the same time.

The Secretary of State encourages voters who already have an absentee ballot at home to fill it out and sign the back of the envelope. Voters should deliver it to their city or township clerk's secure ballot drop box, or to the clerk's office if possible, to avoid any U.S. Postal Service delays.



If you still have your absentee ballot and decide that you want to vote in person, you may do so by bringing your ballot to your polling place and marking the ballot, or surrendering the ballot at your polling place and getting a new ballot. If you lost your absentee ballot or if it was destroyed, you may sign a statement affirming this and vote at the polls.



Spoiling your absentee ballot

If a voter has already voted their absentee ballot but not submitted it and wishes to change their vote for any reason, they can spoil their ballot by submitting a written and signed request in person at their city or township clerk's office until 4 p.m. Monday, Aug. 3. The voter can obtain a new absentee ballot there or vote at the polls. There is no option on Election Day to spoil an absentee ballot that has been received by the clerk.

Additional information regarding Michigan's Primary Election can be found at mi.gov/elections.

Election Day voting

Polling places will be open in every jurisdiction on Election Day on Aug. 4 for voters who want to vote in person.

Each polling location will have at least one voting station adapted to allow a person to vote while seated.

In addition, all voters, including voters with disabilities, have access to a [voter assist terminal](#) in all polling places. The voter assist terminal helps the voter mark a ballot. It will mark the ballot with the voter's choices but does not tally the votes. Once the ballot is marked, it is counted in exactly the same way as all other ballots.

You can register to vote through Election Day

Citizens who are not yet registered to vote but who wish to register and vote in the Aug. 4 election may do so at the office of their city or township clerk until 8 p.m. on Election Day. You can find your clerk's information at mi.gov/vote.

Proof of residency must be provided if registering within two weeks of an election. Acceptable documents include a driver's license, state ID card, current utility bill, bank statement, paycheck, government check or other government document. Documents must have name and current address. Digital copies are acceptable.

Report election misinformation and voter intimidation

Efforts to confuse voters – about the election process and their rights – are designed to sow mistrust in our election process and undermine our democracy. Fighting back against them is critical to ensuring our elections are a secure and accurate reflection of the will of the people.

- Be a critical consumer of media and only share information that is based on facts and the law. Rely on the Department of State, clerks, and their websites as trusted, official sources.
- Our elections are secure, accurate and fair. Thousands of Republican, Democratic, and nonpartisan election clerks, staff, and volunteers make sure this is true every election.

Before, during or after Election Day, if you encounter election-related information that may be misleading or incorrect, please report it by emailing details and a photo of the misinformation if possible to misinformation@michigan.gov.

Additionally, should you witness any voter intimidation, harassment or coercion, please report it. Notify an election worker or contact the nonpartisan election protection hotline at **866-OUR-VOTE**.