

New Rules For Voting

*Know your rights!
Be ready! Keep this card.*

1 Voter ID. In **2016**, you'll need to show a photo ID at the polls. In **2014**, election officials will ask if you have one, but you do not need to show it to vote. Now is the time to make sure you have the right kind of ID. Read the details in **#12** inside.

9 On Election Day, the polls open from 6:30 AM to 7:30 PM. If you are in line at 7:30, you will be allowed to vote; it's your right!

10 Aid Inside. A family member can help you vote. A voter with a disability or reading hardship (due to language or vision) may get help from anyone but your employer or union agent. If you mess up a ballot, return it to the official for a new one.

11 Curbside. If the voting room isn't accessible due to your age or a disability, you may vote at the curb in a vehicle. (Or consider using **#8**.)

2 Sign Up. To vote, citizens must first register. Forms are at libraries, high schools, or www.ncsbe.gov. **If you register and don't vote, you're still registered. BUT register again if you change your address or name or you serve a felony sentence.** A 17 year old who is 18 on Nov. 4 can register and vote in May's primary.

NEW RULES

- Early voting lasts 10 days.
- No same-day registration.
- No straight-party voting.
- On Election Day, you must vote at your precinct's poll.

12 Got the Right ID? You will be asked if you have one of these photo IDs at the polls in **2014** (you will need to show one in **2016**):

- NC driver's license or an ID card issued by the NC DMV;
- US military or veteran's ID card;
- US passport; or
- Enrollment card from a federal or NC-recognized tribe.

Don't have one of these? Get a FREE ID from DMV. See www.GotIDNC.org or call 888-OUR-VOTE to learn how.

Student IDs are not acceptable. An out-of-state driver's license is only good for 90 days after you register.

3 Deadline. Voters must register in their home county by **April 11** to vote in the 2014 May primary. The Nov. election's deadline is **Oct. 10**.

4 Where's Home? Students may register at a campus address if you view it as home, or at another address where you intend to return. Register in just one place!

5 Felony. People with a felony record from any state can register and vote in NC after serving their sentence, including probation or parole. *No special document is needed. Register like a new voter.*

The address on the ID doesn't matter but the name should resemble your name on the voter registration roll. If it does not, update your registration or ID now. See your registration at demnc.co/myreg. *For help, see #15.*

An expired license or passport may not be used, but if it's current when you turn 70, you may use it for life.

ALERT: You do not need a photo ID if you use a mail-in ballot, or qualify for curbside voting, or oppose being photographed on religious grounds. For more ID rules, see GotIDNC.org.

13 Inside Poll. You may wear a

6 Early Voting. Avoid possible bad weather! Early voting is cut to **10 days**. For hours and places, call your county election board listed on NCElectionConnection.com. **If you move within your county or change your name, you can update a registration during Early Voting.**

7 Penalty? You do not lose your right to vote if you have a warrant, fine, misdemeanor, or bankruptcy. No election official asks about this.

8 Vote by Mail. See "Absentee Voting" at www.ncsbe.gov to get a mail ballot. Any voter may do this.

shirt or hat with a candidate's name in the polls, or take a list of your choices to help you remember, but don't call attention to these items. Do not use a cell-phone or camera.

14 Back-up. If a problem means you can't use a regular ballot at the poll, you have a right to a *provisional ballot* and to learn if it counted.

15 Need help? Questions?
Call 888-OUR-VOTE or go to
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