

VOTING IN WASHINGTON STATE

Washington conducts elections primarily by mail. If you are an active registered voter, then your county elections office will mail your ballot 18 days before the upcoming election.

Register to Vote and Track Your Ballot

Scan this QR code or visit voter.votewa.gov to register to vote, update your registration, and track your ballot. You can also register by mail or in person at your local elections office (find a list of offices at sos.wa.gov). To receive ballot updates by SMS, text "VOTE" to 868392. You can register online and by mail up to one week before election day and on election day in-person.



Returning Your Ballot

In 2026 the Primary Election takes place on August 4 and the General Election is on November 3. **To ensure your ballot is received on time, use an official ballot drop box by 8 p.m. on Election Day.** Find a map of ballot drop boxes and voting centers at voter.votewa.gov. If you need to return your ballot by mail, the USPS recommends mailing your ballot more than one week before Election Day.

Federal Impacts on State Elections

Washington's Office of the Secretary of State is monitoring federal legislation and decisions that would affect elections at the state level. Scan this QR code or visit sos.wa.gov/elections/federal-impacts-washington-state-elections for the latest updates as well as answers to FAQs.

