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« The Designated Protection and Advocacy System for Rhode Island »

VOTERS WITH DISABILITIES GET READY NOW TO VOTE

YOU MAY REGISTER TO VOTE IF:

- (1) you are a US citizen;
 - (2) you are at least 18 years old on Election Day;
 - (3) you are a RI resident;
 - (4) you are not in prison for a felony conviction;* and
 - (5) you have not been judged mentally incompetent to vote by a court.
- If you have a RI license or State ID, you may register to vote on-line with the Voter Registration Portal at <http://sos.ri.gov/>. Otherwise, you must complete a Voter Registration Form and return it to the Local Board of Canvassers in your city or town.

** Since 2006, a felony conviction does not make you ineligible to vote if you are no longer incarcerated.*

VOTING RIGHTS:

- You have the right to an accessible polling place
- You have the right to assistance with marking your ballot
- You have the right to use an accessible voting system
- You have the right to vote without interference
- You have the right to file an administrative complaint if you believe your rights have been violated

WHERE TO VOTE: You may vote in person at the polls or by mail. After you register to vote, the Local Board of Canvassers will send you information about the location of your polling place. You may also find the location of your **polling place** by calling the Secretary of State's office at (401) 222-2340, or your Local Board

Canvassers. You may also obtain information about where you may vote by visiting the Secretary of State's website at <https://sos.ri.gov/>. Rules for mail ballots have recently changed; if you would like to **vote by mail or in-person at your city or town hall**, contact your Local Board of Canvassers to ask about the deadlines you must meet.

PHOTO ID: For **voting at the polls**, Rhode Island law requires all voters to present a **VALID and CURRENT PHOTO IDENTIFICATION**. Voters will need to present one of the following forms of PHOTO ID:

- RI driver's license,
- RI Voter ID card issued by the Secretary of State's Office,
- US Passport,
- US educational institution ID,
- US military ID,
- ID card issued by US or RI with a photo such as a RIPTA bus pass, or
- Government issued medical card with a photo.

WHAT'S ON THE BALLOT?: To find out what will be on your ballot on Election Day, you may call your Local Board of Canvassers about 30 days before the election and ask them to send you a sample ballot or you can visit the Secretary of State's website at <https://sos.ri.gov/> where you can check your voter registration status and find a sample of your ballot. On the website, find your registration status, scroll to "Upcoming Elections" and then click where it says "view sample ballot" for a sample ballot for your district.

Contact the Rhode Island Disability Law Center at (401) 831-3150/ 1 (800) 733-5332/ TTY (401) 831-5335 if you have questions about your voting rights, believe your voting rights have been violated, or want to request that we train your group about voting rights. We are available to take your calls during business hours, M-F from 9-5, and when the polls are open. Please call us immediately if you experience a disability-related barrier to accessing your polling place or casting a ballot and you wish to request our assistance.