



# Iowa Election Law Changes

## Major Voter ID and Election Law Changes Effective in 2019



### Major Election Law Changes Effective Prior to 2019

- **Registering to vote on Election Day** (or after the Pre-registration deadline).
  - Prove your identity with a current photo ID that has an expiration date on it.
  - Prove where you live with a bill or documents dated **within the last 45 days**.
  - Voters who are pre-registered but moving within the county on Election Day must now provide **both proof of identity and proof of residency**.
- **Voting in person before Election Day:**
  - Will begin **29 days before the Election** and continue up through the day before Election Day.
- **Requesting an Absentee ballot to be sent by mail:**
  - Requests may be submitted **no more than 120 days before an election**.
  - Requests must be **submitted by 5pm on the pre-registration deadline day** (10 days before general elections or 11 days before other elections).
  - Absentee ballots will be **mailed out between 29 and 10 days before** an election.
  - Returned absentee ballots must still be postmarked on the day before the election.

### Voter ID Requirements Effective in 2019

- **Voters will need to show an approved ID:**
  - Current Iowa Driver's License or Non-Operators ID
  - Current U.S. Passport
  - Current U.S. Military ID
  - U.S. Veteran's ID
  - Tribal ID
  - Voter ID Card (New Voter ID card has been automatically mailed to all voters who **do not have** an Iowa Driver's License or Non-Operators ID)
  - Additional Options:  
Voters may provide separate proof of identity and proof of residence (Election Day Registration Document) or have an Attester
- **Voters without the necessary ID will be offered a provisional ballot and can provide ID up until the time of the county canvass of votes (Monday after Election Day for Primary and General Elections).**



### Other Election Law Changes Effective January 1, 2019

- **17-yr olds** will be eligible to register to vote and even vote in primary elections so long as they are 18 on or before the date of the General Election.
- School and City elections will be combined into one election in November