

New Voter Identification (ID) Law

Important Contact Information

1-877-VOTESPA (1-877-868-3772) or www.VotesPA.com
PennDOT Call Center number: 1-800-932-4600 or 1-800-228-0676 (TDD)

Act 18 of 2012 requires Pennsylvanians to produce photo ID in order to vote.

What do I need to know now?

- You will be asked for photo ID at the April 24 primary election, but it will **NOT** be required.
- You will be reminded that a photo ID **IS REQUIRED** for the **November 6** general election.

What photo IDs are acceptable for voting?

- Please note: All acceptable IDs must have an **expiration date** that is current unless otherwise noted below.
- Acceptable IDs include:
 - Photo IDs issued by the U.S. Federal Government or the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
 - Pennsylvania driver's license or non-driver's license photo ID (IDs are valid for voting purposes 12 months past expiration date)
 - Valid U.S. passport

- U.S. military ID - active duty and retired military (a military or veteran's ID must designate an expiration date or designate that the expiration date is indefinite). Military dependents' ID must contain an expiration date
- Employee photo ID issued by Federal, PA, County or Municipal government
- Photo ID from an accredited public or private Pennsylvania college or university.
- Photo ID issued by a Pennsylvania care facility: licensed nursing facility, assisted living residences or personal care home.

What to do if:

✓ **I ALREADY HAVE A PENNSYLVANIA DRIVER'S LICENSE OR ACCEPTABLE PHOTO ID**

Great! Just take your Pennsylvania driver's license or photo ID with you when you vote on April 24 and November 6.

✓ **I HAVE AN EXPIRED PENNSYLVANIA DRIVER'S LICENSE OR PHOTO ID (expired for one year or longer)**

1. Call the PennDOT Call Center 1-800-932-4600 or 1-800-228-0676 (TDD) to verify that your information is in the PennDOT system. Please be able to provide your name, date of birth and Social Security Number for the customer service representative.
2. Go to a PennDOT driver's license or photo ID center with a **COMPLETED** Application for Initial Photo Identification Card (Form DL-54A) – there is no

need to bring supporting documentation, since your identity and residency were previously validated by PennDOT. Please make sure you use your **CURRENT ADDRESS** on the DL-54A form.

3. Sign an affirmation form stating you have no other photo ID that can be used for voting purposes. This form is available at the PennDOT driver's license or photo ID centers.
4. If you have your expired Pennsylvania driver's license or photo ID bring it with you to the PennDOT driver's license or photo ID center. If not, PennDOT will still be able to access your information.

Note: If you cannot be located in the PennDOT system, please follow the instructions in the next section.

✓ **I DO NOT HAVE A CURRENT OR EXPIRED PENNSYLVANIA DRIVER'S LICENSE OR I DO NOT HAVE AN ACCEPTABLE PHOTO ID**

1. Go to a PennDOT driver's license or photo ID center and tell them you would like to obtain a photo ID for voting purposes.
2. Complete a photo ID application (DL 54-A form).
3. Provide your **birth certificate or naturalization paper, Social Security Card,** and **two proofs of residency** such as a utility bill, lease or tax statement.
4. Sign an affirmation form stating that you have no other photo ID that can be used for voting purposes. This form is available at the PennDOT driver's license or photo ID centers

<http://www.dmv.state.pa.us/pdotforms/voterid/VoterAffirmationNoProofofID.pdf>

✓ **I VOTE BY ABSENTEE BALLOT**

1. Contact your County Board of Elections to inquire about obtaining an absentee ballot.
2. Provide either your **Pennsylvania driver's license number, last four digits of Social Security Number, or a copy of an acceptable photo ID** when applying for an absentee ballot.
3. You may provide this identification to your County Board of Elections in person, over the phone, by mail or email.
4. Your county must verify your identification before your ballot can be officially counted. You will have 6 days following an election to provide a form of acceptable identification.
5. For more information on absentee ballots, visit:
http://www.portal.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/community/how_to_vote/13515/voting_by_absentee_ballot/585300

Please Note: Voters effected by the Voting Accessibility for the Elderly and Handicapped Act **are exempt** from these new absentee voter requirements.

If you have questions regarding Act 18 of 2012, the **toll-free phone number is: 1-877-VOTESPA; (1-877-868-3772)** or, you can go to www.VotesPA.com

If you need transportation to a PennDOT driver's license or photo center or a ride to the polls, you should contact your local transportation provider or your Area Agency on Aging to find what transportation services may be available.