

# TRANSGENDER VOTING GUIDE

Your vote, your voice, and YOU matter! You deserve to have a say in who is going to be elected and making decisions that affect you and your loved ones. What you think and what you feel is important, and voting is one of the best ways to ensure you have the opportunity to be heard. Voting can be a stressful event, but knowing your voting rights and ID requirements is crucial to casting a ballot and having it counted!

## Alaska requires voters to present ID to vote in person

When voting in person, **state law requires voters to show an election official a form of identification, but a photo ID is not required.** The list of acceptable identification includes things like your official voter registration card, driver's license or state ID card, other current and valid photo identification, or even a hunting or fishing license. You can also use a current utility bill or paycheck showing your name and current address. If you don't bring an acceptable form of ID, you still have the ability to vote by casting a questioned ballot. This means a review board will determine if your ballot can be counted.

## You do not need an ID to vote absentee

A copy of your **ID or a photo ID is not required to vote absentee, but you will need to provide a voter identifier** - like the last 4 digits of your Social Security Number, state driver's license or state ID card number - to both request and submit an absentee ballot.

The deadline to request an absentee ballot is Saturday, October 26, 2024. Information on how to apply for an absentee ballot can be found on the [Alaska Division of Elections webpage](#).

# BEFORE ELECTION DAY

## Step 1

### Register to Vote by October 6

If you have registered, make sure that the name on your voter registration matches the name on your ID.

If you didn't register to vote, you will still be able to vote in the presidential election, but not state-level elections or the U.S. House election.

## Step 3

### Make a plan

Make a plan with people you know and trust to go with you to the polls whenever you vote. There is power and safety in numbers!

## Step 2

### Method of Voting

Decide which voting method is right for you and your situation

**Absentee Voting-** must request absentee ballot by 10/26

**Absentee in-person Voting-** if you're registered to vote but did not request an absentee ballot, you can still vote at a location that has ballots for all elections

**Early Voting** – locate your polling place, will require ID

**Election Day Voting** - locate your polling place, will require ID

## Need help voting?

Contact the ACLU of Alaska's Queer & Trans Justice Team at [jchabotte@acluak.org](mailto:jchabotte@acluak.org).