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INFORMATION FROM
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Important changes
in the Law concerning
REGISTRATION
and
VOTING
for
1977

REGISTRATION CLOSES
OCTOBER 18, 1977

GENERAL ELECTION:
NOVEMBER 8, 1977

POLLS OPEN AT 6:30 A.M.—CLOSE AT 7:30 P.M.

REGISTER AND VOTE!!!



REGISTRATION

How Can I Register to Vote?

- At the office of the Board of Elections.
- At branch registration offices or locations established by the Board.
- At the office of a motor vehicle deputy registrar when you apply for a driver's license or State of Ohio identification card.
- By mail. You may request registration forms by mail, by telephone, in person, or by having another person obtain them for you. After you have completed the forms, you may return them to the Board by mail.
- By completing registration forms obtained from any county office designated to distribute registration forms. You may return the completed forms to the Board by mail, in person, or have another person deliver them for you.
- By completing registration forms obtained from any individual who may distribute registration forms. You may return the completed forms to the Board by mail, in person, or have another person deliver them for you. You may also return the forms to the individual from whom you obtained them. He will give you a receipt and deliver them to the Board for you.

Registration forms must be received by the Board by October 18, 1977 to be valid for the November 8, 1977 General Election.

Election Day Registration

If you fail to register on or before October 18, 1977, you may register on election day at the polling place in the precinct where you reside and vote, if you provide one of the following as proof of identity:

- A valid Ohio driver's license.
- A valid State of Ohio identification card.
- The oath of an individual registered to vote in your precinct vouching that you reside in the precinct.

If you do not register until election day, the law requires you to go to a separate line to register before getting in the line to vote. To avoid any delay or inconvenience, register before October 18.

Change of Address?

If you are now registered and move, you must report the change of address to the Board of Elections. You may report the change:

- By mail.
- At the Board of Elections or at a branch registration office established by the Board.
- At the office of a motor vehicle deputy registrar when you apply for a driver's license or State of Ohio identification card.

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If you fail to notify the Board by that time, you may go to the polling place in the precinct where you reside on election day and reregister by presenting the proof of identity required for registration on election day.

If you move within your precinct, you may complete a change of residence notice at your polling place on election day without reregistering.

Change of Name?

If you are now registered and have changed your name by marriage or other legal action, you must report the change to the Board of Elections. You may report the change:

- By mail.
- At the Board of Elections or at a branch registration office established by the Board.
- By completing a notice of change in voting status and filing it with the Court when you apply for a marriage license or when your name is changed by Court order.

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Caution: *If you also change your residence, you must notify the Board as explained above.*

ABSENTEE VOTING

You Can Now Vote Absentee for Any of the Following Reasons:

- You will be absent from the county on election day.
- You are 62 years of age or older.
- You will be hospitalized on election day.
- You have had an accident or unforeseeable medical emergency.
- You have a personal illness or physical disability. (A doctor's certificate is no longer needed.)
- You are an election official.
- You cannot vote on election day because of religious observances.
- You will be in jail for a misdemeanor or awaiting trial.

How to Apply

Write or go to the Board of Elections in your county and request absentee ballots, giving the following information:

- Your name and voting residence.
- Your reason for being absent from the polls on election day (from the list above).

Your written request for ballots must be received at the Board by:

- 12 noon of November 5 for the November 8 General Election.

Note: *The deadline is 3 p. m. on election day in the case of medical emergencies.*

If You Wish to Vote an Absentee Ballot And Are Not Registered By October 18:

Go to the Board of Elections in your county and present the same kind of identification required for registration on election day. You may then be registered and vote an absentee ballot at the same time.

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