

Matching Against Motor Vehicle and Social Security Records

What fields from the voter registration form will the state seek to match to motor vehicle or Social Security records? Identifying number, name, and date of birth. The state may also seek to match additional fields, but has not yet determined which additional fields it will seek to match.

How precise is the match standard? Wyoming will use a “substantial match” standard to match information on forms with a driver’s license number. Wyoming will use the standard AAMVA criteria for matching information on forms with Social Security digits: exact match of the SSN-4, first name, last name, month of birth, and year of birth.

How much human intervention is involved in determining whether information is matched? For matching information on forms with a driver’s license number, the system will return a code for each potentially matching record representing the degree of the match, and will return unmatched fields for each such record. The election official has the discretion to determine whether a likely match exists among the possible matches returned. The process for matching information on forms with SSN digits is fully automated.

Description of matching process: For matching information on forms with a driver’s license number, the system will return a code for each potentially matching record representing the degree of the match, and will return unmatched fields for each such record. The election official has the discretion to determine whether a likely match exists among the possible matches returned. Forms listing SSN digits will be automatically checked against the SSA database through the standard AAMVA process: the county elections official will submit an entered record to the DMV database, which will automatically submit the appropriate fields to the SSA and return a code indicating whether the record was successfully matched or not.

What are the consequences if the state cannot find a match? Wyoming has no stated statewide policy; each county is responsible for determining how the application will be treated.⁷

Notice and Opportunity to Resolve Errors

Does the applicant have the opportunity to correct a missing or incomplete identifying number, without submitting a new form? No. The applicant may submit a new form with correct information by the voter registration deadline or at the polls on Election Day.

Does the applicant have the opportunity to resolve a failed match, without submitting a new form? No. The applicant may submit a new form with verifiable information by the voter registration deadline or at the polls on Election Day.

If information on an otherwise timely application is corrected after the voter registration deadline, is the correction timely? No, but the applicant may re-register on Election Day.

Description of notice and correction process: The county elections official will attempt to notify by mail an applicant whose identifying number is missing, incomplete, or illegible, if the incomplete information causes that application to be rejected. An applicant whose identifying number is unverified may be notified, at the discretion of the county official. An applicant may attempt to resolve any error by submitting a new form at any point before the voter registration deadline, or by registering at the polls or at the office of the county clerk on Election Day.

Identification Requirements at the Polls

Who must provide identification at the polls? Any first-time voter registering by mail, and any voter registering on Election Day, must provide identification at the polls.⁸

What forms of identification are accepted? First-time voters must provide a current and valid photo ID, or a copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, pay check, or other government document with name and address.⁹ A voter registering on Election Day may provide one of the documents above, or any two of: a certification of U.S. citizenship, a certificate of naturalization, a U.S. military draft record, a voter's registration card from another state or county, a Social Security card, a certification of birth abroad issued by the Department of State, an original or certified copy of a birth certificate bearing an official seal, or any other U.S. or state-issued official identification.¹⁰

Forms of ID:

1st-time voters registering by mail:	current and valid photo ID current utility bill w/ name, address bank statement w/ name, address government check w/ name, address paycheck w/ name, address other gov't document w/ name, address
Election Day registrant:	current and valid photo ID current utility bill w/ name, address bank statement w/ name, address government check w/ name, address paycheck w/ name, address other gov't document w/ name, address
	or two of: certification of citizenship certificate of naturalization U.S. military draft record state/county voter registration card Social Security card Dep't of State certification of birth certified copy of birth certificate other official gov't ID

What are the consequences of failing to show identification? The voter may cast a provisional ballot. The ballot will be counted if the voter provides documentation to the county clerk within one day of the election establishing that she was eligible to vote in the precinct.¹¹

Statutes and Regulations

WYO. STAT. ANN. §§ 22-3-101 *et seq.* generally concern registration. 002-040-002 WYO. CODE R. (Weil 2004) and 002-040-004 WYO. CODE R. (Weil 2004) comprise the applicable regulations.

End Notes

¹ WYO. STAT. ANN. §§ 22-3-102(a), 22-3-117(a).

² *Id.* § 22-3-104(h).

³ electionline.org, *Assorted Rolls: Statewide Voter Registration Databases Under HAVA*, June 2005, available at <http://www.electionline.org/Portals/1/EB11.FINAL1.pdf>, at 24; electionline.org, *Statewide Voter Registration Database Status*, at <http://www.electionline.org/Default.aspx?tabid=288>.

⁴ *Help America Vote Act: The Endgame*, electionline Weekly (Dec. 8, 2005), available at <http://www.electionline.org/Newsletters/tabid/87/ctl/Detail/mid/643/xmid/166/xmfid/3/Default.aspx>.

⁵ Election Assistance Commission, *The Impact of the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 on the Administration of Elections for Federal Office 2003-2004*, June 30, 2005, tbl. 2, available at http://www.eac.gov/NVR_Spreadsheets/NVRA_table_2.html. Due to rounding, the percentages listed may exceed 100%.

⁶ The registration form used for purposes of this summary is from Fremont County, Wyoming.

⁷ WYO. STAT. ANN. § 22-3-104(f)(ii) provides only that registration is complete “after the voter registration information has been entered onto the voter registration system and verified,” but does not describe when information is deemed verified. *See also* 002-040-002 WYO. CODE R. § 4 (Weil 2004).

⁸ WYO. STAT. ANN. § 22-3-118(a).

⁹ *Id.* § 22-3-118(b).

¹⁰ 002-040-002 WYO. CODE R. § 6 (Weil 2004).

¹¹ WYO. STAT. ANN. §§ 22-3-104, 22-3-118(d), 22-15-105; 002-040-004 WYO. CODE R. § 8 (Weil 2004).

1	(PLEASE PRINT) Legal Last Name		Legal First Name		Legal Middle Name/Initial		<input type="checkbox"/> New Registration <input type="checkbox"/> Address Change <input type="checkbox"/> Party Change <input type="checkbox"/> Name Change <input type="checkbox"/> First Time Voter in Wyoming Military Yes No			
2	Address Where You Currently Live (legal residence) Do Not Give P.O. Box				City/State	Zip Code				
3	Address Where You Get Your Mail (if same as #2 print "same")				City/State	Zip Code				
4	Date of Birth	5	State Born In	6	Social Security Number (Optional)	7	Daytime Phone Number	8	Resident of Fremont Co. Since	Cancellation Date
9	PARTY AFFILIATION — Check one box ONLY. <input type="checkbox"/> DEMOCRAT <input type="checkbox"/> REPUBLICAN <input type="checkbox"/> NON-PARTISAN (Not affiliated with a party) <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER PARTY (write above)									
10	My current, valid WY Driver's License Number is _____ OR I have no valid WY Driver's License and the last four (4) digits of my social security number are _____ OR I have no valid Wyoming Driver's License or Social Security Number, the following ID was shown _____									Voting Record _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____
11	Former Name If Making A Name Change	12	Email Address	13	Would You Like To Work As An Election Judge?			<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		
STATE OF WYOMING } COUNTY OF FREMONT } SS VOTER REGISTRATION OATH I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I am a citizen of the United States; that I am a bona fide resident of the State of Wyoming, County of Fremont; that I will be at least 18 years of age on or before the next election; that I am not now registered in another county or state; that I am not currently adjudicated a mentally incompetent person, that I have not been convicted of a felony, or if I have been convicted of a felony, I have had my civil or voting rights restored by a competent authority; and that the voter registration information contained herein is true and accurate to my best knowledge and belief.										
Signature in full of Applicant (Invalid without signature) _____ Subscribed and affirmed or sworn to before me by _____ this _____ day of _____, 20____										
Signature & Title of registry agent or person authorized to administer oath. _____										
NAME				District/Preinct		House/Senate		Party	Voter ID#	