

Nevada

Registration Deadline

Forms must be received or completed and mailed by the fifth Saturday before a general or primary election (31 days for a federal general election), except that an applicant may register in person at the office of the county clerk at any point on or before the third Tuesday before a general or primary election (21 days for a federal general election).¹

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Database Implementation Status

Nevada has contracted with Covansys Corporation, in partnership with PCC Technology Group and Aradyme Corp., to build a top-down statewide database, in which local elections officials have direct access to a statewide system.² The system was not complete by January 1, 2006.³

Entering Voter Registration Information

Who inputs voter registration information? County or city clerks generally review and enter information from voter registration forms in their jurisdictions into the statewide system.⁴

What happens to voter registration forms submitted at state registration agencies? Forms received by the DMV or another voter registration agency are sent within 10 days to the appropriate county clerk for review and entry.⁵

How are most forms submitted? Nevada reported that in 2004, 23% of forms were submitted by mail, 38% were submitted in person to election officials, 24% were submitted at the DMV, 5% were submitted at another voter registration agency, and 11% were submitted by other means.⁶

Voter Registration Form

The relevant portions of the voter registration form are included at the end of this section.⁷

Processing of Forms Without Identifying Numbers

How will the state treat an application with an affirmative indication that the applicant has no valid identifying number? If an applicant submits an affidavit that she has neither a Nevada driver's license nor a SSN, and she is otherwise eligible, she will be assigned a unique voter registration number and will be considered registered.⁸

How will the state treat an application without an identifying number and without an affirmative indication that the applicant has no such number? Nevada has not responded to this survey and has no stated policy reflected in state law.

How will the state treat an application listing an identifying number that is either incomplete or illegible? Nevada has not responded to this survey and has no stated policy reflected in state law.

Matching Against Motor Vehicle and Social Security Records

Description of matching process: Nevada has not responded to this survey. State law provides that the match will involve at least the identifying number, name, and date of birth.⁹

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? Yes. An applicant may correct missing or incomplete information up to 15 days after a notice that the application contains incomplete information is mailed.¹⁰

Does the applicant have the opportunity to resolve a failed match, without submitting a new form? Yes. An applicant may submit information to resolve a failed match up to 15 days after a notice that the application contains incomplete information is mailed.¹¹

If information on an otherwise timely application is corrected after the voter registration deadline, is the correction timely? Yes, if the information is corrected up to 15 days after a notice that the application contains incomplete information is mailed.¹²

Description of notice and correction process: An applicant whose identifying number is missing, incomplete, illegible, or unverified will be notified by mail; the mailing will include a detachable portion to mail back to the county clerk with the missing information.¹³ The applicant may correct information and resolve disputes within 15 days. If the applicant does not do so, the application will be rejected.

Identification Requirements at the Polls

Who must provide identification at the polls? A voter who has not previously submitted identification and whose identifying number has not been verified must provide identification at the polls.¹⁴ Any voter appearing at the polls must also provide a signature to be matched to either the original registration card, a driver's license, a non-driver's state ID card, a military ID card, or another government ID with the voter's signature and physical description or picture.¹⁵

Forms of ID:

1st-time voters registering by mail without verified identifying number:	current and valid photo ID current utility bill w/ name, address bank statement w/ name, address paycheck w/ name, address other gov't document w/ name, address
other voters without verified identifying number:	proof of residence proof of identity

What forms of identification are accepted? Any first-time voter registering by mail who has not previously submitted identification and whose identifying number has not been verified must present current and valid photo ID, or a copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, paycheck, or other government document listing name and address.¹⁶ Any other voter who has not previously submitted identification must present proof of residence and identity.¹⁷

What are the consequences of failing to show identification? The voter may cast a provisional ballot.¹⁸ The ballot will be counted if the voter was registered in the appropriate precinct, and if she showed identification at the polls or provides identification to the county clerk by 5 p.m. on the Friday following the election.¹⁹

Statutes and Regulations

NEV. REV. STAT. §§ 293.010 *et seq.* generally concern registration. NEV. REV. STAT. § 293.675 directs the Secretary of State to establish and maintain a single statewide voter registration system. NEV. ADMIN. CODE §§ 293.400 *et seq.* comprise the applicable regulations.

End Notes

¹ NEV. REV. STAT. §§ 293.5235(7), *as amended by* 2005 Nev. Laws ch. 504 (S.B. 224); 293.560. Nevada law provides that if the application is received or postmarked within 3 days of the date the application is completed, registration is deemed to have occurred on the date the applicant completed the application; if received more than 3 days later, registration is deemed to have occurred on the date the application is received. *Id.* §§ 293.5235(7), *as amended by* 2005 Nev. Laws ch. 504 (S.B. 224).

² electionline.org, *Assorted Rolls: Statewide Voter Registration Databases Under HAVA*, June 2005, available at <http://www.electionline.org/Portals/1/EB11.FINAL1.pdf>, at 20.

³ John McCormick, *Illinois to Miss Deadline for Voter Rolls Law*, CHI. TRIB., Dec. 30, 2005, at 6; *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>.

⁴ NEV. REV. STAT. § 293.675.

⁵ *Id.* § 293.504(3).

⁶ 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%.

⁷ Nevada's voter registration form is not available online to non-applicants. The form presented for purposes of this summary is the federal voter registration form.

⁸ NEV. REV. STAT. § 293.507. *See also* NEV. ADMIN. CODE § 293.411 (Secretary of State will assign to each county a series of identification numbers to be assigned to individuals who are unable, or do not wish, to provide a driver's license number).

⁹ NEV. REV. STAT. § 293.2725(b).

¹⁰ *Id.* §§ 293.5235, 293.524(4).

¹¹ *Id.*

¹² *Id.*

¹³ NEV. ADMIN. CODE § 293.450.

¹⁴ NEV. REV. STAT. § 293.2725.

¹⁵ *Id.* § 293.277.

¹⁶ *Id.*

¹⁷ *Id.* § 293.517.

¹⁸ *Id.* § 293.3081.

¹⁹ *Id.* §§ 293.3082, 293.3085.

General Instructions

Who Can Use this Application

If you are a U.S. citizen who lives or has an address within the United States, you can use the application in this booklet to:

- Register to vote in your State,
- Report a change of name to your voter registration office,
- Report a change of address to your voter registration office, or
- Register with a political party.

Exceptions

Please do not use this application if you live outside the United States and its territories and have no home (legal) address in this country, or if you are in the military stationed away from home. Use the Federal Postcard Application available to you from military bases, American embassies, or consular offices.

New Hampshire town and city clerks will accept this application only as a request for their own absentee voter mail-in registration form.

North Dakota does not have voter registration.

Wyoming law does not permit mail registration.

How to Find Out If You Are Eligible to Register to Vote in Your State

Each State has its own laws about who may register and vote. Check the information under your State in the State Instructions.

Note: All States require that you be a United States citizen by birth or naturalization to register to vote in federal and State elections. Federal law makes it illegal to falsely claim U.S. citizenship to register to vote in any federal, State, or local election.

Also Note: You **cannot** be registered to vote in more than one place at a time.

How to Fill Out this Application

Use both the Application Instructions and State Instructions to guide you in filling out the application.

First, read the Application Instructions. These instructions will give you important information that applies to everyone using this application.

Next, find your State under the State Instructions. Use these instructions to fill out Boxes 6, 7, and 8. Also refer to these instructions for information about voter eligibility and any oath required for Box 9.

When to Register to Vote

Each State has its own deadline for registering to vote. Check the deadline for your State on the last page of this booklet.

How to Submit Your Application

Mail your application to the address listed under your State in the State Instructions. Or, deliver the application in person to your local voter registration office.

The remaining States that accept the national form will accept copies of the application printed from the computer image on regular paper stock, signed by the applicant, and mailed in an envelope with the correct postage.

First Time Voters Who Register by Mail

If you are registering to vote for the first time in your jurisdiction and are mailing this registration application, you may be required to provide proof of identification the first time you vote.

Depending on the specific requirements of your State, you may avoid providing identification at the polls when you vote for the first time by mailing a copy of an identification document together with this application. The list of acceptable documents is included in the State Instructions.

Do not include original documents with this application.

Please read the accompanying State Instructions to determine the voter identification requirements for your State.

If You Were Given this Application in a State Agency or Public Office

If you have been given this application in a State agency or public office, it is your choice to use the application or not.

If you decide to use this application to register to vote, you can fill it out and leave it with the State agency or public office. The application will be submitted for you. Or, you can take it with you to mail to the address listed under your State in the State Instructions. You also may take it with you to deliver in person to your local voter registration office.

Note: The name and location of the State agency or public office where you received the application will remain confidential. It will not appear on your application. Also, if you decide not to use this application to register to vote, that decision will remain confidential. It will not affect the service you receive from the agency or office.

Application Instructions

Before filling out the body of the form, please answer the questions on the top of the form as to whether you are a United States citizen and whether you will be 18 years old on or before election day. If you answer no to either of these questions, you may not use this form to register to vote. However, state specific instructions may provide additional information on eligibility to register to vote prior to age 18.

Box 1 — Name

Put in this box your full name in this order — Last, First, Middle. Do not use nicknames or initials.

Note: If this application is for a change of name, please tell us in **Box A** (on the bottom half of the form) your full name before you changed it.

Box 2 — Home Address

Put in this box your home address (legal address). Do **not** put your mailing address here if it is different from your home address. Do **not** use a post office box or rural route without a box number. Refer to state-specific instructions for rules regarding use of route numbers.

Note: If you were registered before *but* this is the first time you are registering from the address in Box 2, please tell us in **Box B** (on the bottom half of the form) the address where you were registered before. Please give us as much of the address as you can remember.

Also Note: If you live in a rural area but do not have a street address, or if you have no address, please show where you live using the map in **Box C** (at the bottom of the form).

Box 3 — Mailing Address

If you get your mail at an address that is different from the address in Box 2, put your mailing address in this box.

Note: If you have no address in Box 2, you **must** write in Box 3 an address where you can be reached by mail.

Box 4 — Date of Birth

Put in this box your date of birth in this order — Month, Day, Year. *Be careful not to use today's date!*

Box 5 — Telephone Number

Most States ask for your telephone number in case there are questions about your application. However, you do **not** have to fill in this box.

Box 6 — ID Number

Federal law requires that states collect from each registrant an identification number. You must refer to your state's specific instructions for item 6 regarding information on what number is acceptable for your state. If you have neither a drivers license nor a social security number, please indicate this on the form and a number will be assigned to you by your state.

Box 7 — Choice of Party

In some States, you must register with a party if you want to take part in that party's primary election, caucus, or convention. To find out if your State requires this, see item 7 in the instructions under your State.

If you want to register with a party, print in the box the full name of the party of your choice.

If you do **not** want to register with a party, write "no party" or leave the box blank. Do **not** write in the word "independent" if you mean "no party," because this might be confused with the name of a political party in your State.

Note: If you do not register with a party, you can still vote in general elections and nonpartisan (nonparty) primary elections.

Box 8 — Race or Ethnic Group

A few States ask for your race or ethnic group, in order to administer the Federal Voting Rights Act. To find out if your State asks for this information, see item 8 in the instructions under your State. If so, put in Box 8 the choice that best describes you from the list below:

- American Indian or Alaskan Native
- Asian or Pacific Islander
- Black, *not of* Hispanic Origin
- Hispanic
- Multi-racial
- White, *not of* Hispanic Origin
- Other

Box 9 — Signature

Review the information in item 9 in the instructions under your State. Before you sign or make your mark, make sure that:

- (1) You meet your State's requirements, and
- (2) You understand **all** of Box 9.

Finally, sign your **full** name or make your mark, and print today's date in this order — Month, Day, Year.

If the applicant is unable to sign, put in **Box D** the name, address, and telephone number (optional) of the person who helped the applicant.

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Before completing this form, review the General, Application, and State specific instructions.

Are you a citizen of the United States of America? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Will you be 18 years old on or before election day? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If you checked "No" in response to either of these questions, do not complete form. (Please see state-specific instructions for rules regarding eligibility to register prior to age 18.)		This space for office use only.				
1	(Circle one) Mr. Mrs. Miss Ms.	Last Name	First Name	Middle Name(s)	(Circle one) Jr Sr II III IV	
2	Home Address		Apt. or Lot #	City/Town	State	Zip Code
3	Address Where You Get Your Mail If Different From Above			City/Town	State	Zip Code
4	Date of Birth ____/____/____ Month Day Year		5	Telephone Number (optional)		6 ID Number - (See Item 6 in the instructions for your state)
7	Choice of Party <small>(see item 7 in the instructions for your State)</small>		8	Race or Ethnic Group <small>(see item 8 in the instructions for your State)</small>		
9	I have reviewed my state's instructions and I swear/affirm that: <input type="checkbox"/> I am a United States citizen <input type="checkbox"/> I meet the eligibility requirements of my state and subscribe to any oath required. <input type="checkbox"/> The information I have provided is true to the best of my knowledge under penalty of perjury. If I have provided false information, I may be fined, imprisoned, or (if not a U.S. citizen) deported from or refused entry to the United States.			Please sign full name (or put mark) Date: _____ Month Day Year		

If you are registering to vote for the first time: please refer to the application instructions for information on submitting copies of valid identification documents with this form.

Please fill out the sections below if they apply to you.

If this application is for a **change of name**, what was your name before you changed it?

A	Mr. Mrs. Miss Ms.	Last Name	First Name	Middle Name(s)	(Circle one) Jr Sr II III IV
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If you were **registered before but this is the first time you are registering from the address in Box 2**, what was your address where you were registered before?

B	Street (or route and box number)	Apt. or Lot #	City/Town/County	State	Zip Code
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If you live in a rural area but do not have a street number, or if you have no address, please show on the map where you live.

C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Write in the names of the crossroads (or streets) nearest to where you live. <input type="checkbox"/> Draw an X to show where you live. <input type="checkbox"/> Use a dot to show any schools, churches, stores, or other landmarks near where you live, and write the name of the landmark. 	NORTH						
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If the applicant is unable to sign, who helped the applicant fill out this application? Give name, address and phone number (phone number optional).

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Mail this application to the address provided for your State.

State Instructions

Nevada

Registration Deadline — 9:00 p.m. on the fifth Saturday before any primary or general election. 9:00 p.m. on the third Saturday before any recall or special election. However, if a recall or special election is held on the same day as a primary or general election, the registration closes at 9:00 p.m. on the fifth Saturday before the day for the elections.

6. ID Number. An identification number is a Nevada Driver's License number, or at least the last four digits of your Social Security number. In the event you have not been issued a current and valid Nevada Driver's License or a Social Security number, a number will be issued to you by the County Clerk/Registrar. Registration records, including social security numbers are available for public inspection. (NRS 293.507).

7. Choice of Party. You must register with a party if you want to take part in that party's primary election, caucus, or convention. If you register with a minor political party, or as a Nonpartisan you will receive a Nonpartisan Ballot for the Primary Election.

8. Race or Ethnic Group. Leave blank.

9. Signature. To register in Nevada you must:

- be a citizen of the United States
- have attained the age of 18 years on the date of the next election
- have continuously resided in the State of Nevada, in your county, at least 30 days and in your precinct at least 10 days before the next election
- not currently be laboring under any felony conviction or other loss of civil rights that would make it unlawful for you to vote
- not be determined by a court of law to be mentally incompetent
- claim no other place as your legal residence

Attention: Proof of Voter Identification

(Pursuant to the Help America Vote Act of 2002)

If you are a **first time registrant** submitting this form by mail, and wish to avoid additional identification requirements upon voting for the first time, you must provide the following information to the election

officials: 1) a **COPY** of a current and valid photo identification: or 2) a **COPY** of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck or other government document that shows your name and address. If you vote in person or by mail, and you did not provide the above information at the time of registration, you must present the information to election officials before casting your ballot in person or submit the information when returning your ballot by mail. If you do not provide proof of identification, you may cast a provisional ballot.

Mailing address:

Secretary of State
Elections Divisions
101 North Carson Street
Suite 3, Capitol Complex
Carson City, NV 89701-4786

Local county addresses:

You also may return completed applications to the County Clerk/Registrar where you normally reside. A complete list is available on Nevada's web site: www.sos.state.nv.us

New Hampshire

New Hampshire town and city clerks will accept this application only as a request for their own absentee voter mail-in registration form, which must be received by your city or town clerk by 10 days before the election.

You need to fill in only Box 1 and Box 2 or 3.

The application should be mailed to your town or city clerk at your zip code. These addresses are listed on the Secretary of State web site at <http://www.state.nh.us/sos/clerks.htm>

It should be mailed in plenty of time for your town or city clerk to mail you their own form and for you to return that form to them by 10 days before the election.