

# Instructions

## Qualifications:

To register to vote in Iowa, you must:

- Be a citizen of the United States.
- Be a resident of Iowa.
- Be at least 17 ½ years old (you must be 18 to vote).
- Not have been convicted of a felony (or you must have had your rights restored).
- Not currently be judged by a court to be “incompetent to vote.”
- Give up your right to vote in any other place.

Use this form to apply to register to vote or to make changes in your registration.

## Filling out the form – Use a pen and print neatly.

**Required: ID number, date of birth, sex, name, address and signature.** If you do not include these, your registration will be rejected. Your name, birth date and ID number will be checked. If they don't match, your registration will be rejected and you will be notified by mail.

**ID number:** Iowa driver's license number (DL#) is required, if you have one. If not, put the number of your Iowa non-driver ID card. If you have neither of these, put the last 4 numbers of your social security number.

If your DL# is your social security number, you are required to give it. Social security, driver's license and ID numbers are not printed on voter registration lists sold to candidates and others. But those numbers may be on original records in county auditor's offices and open for public viewing. Iowa law (Sec. 48A.11) requires the state to ask for your DL# on this form.

**Name:** Put your name on the form the same way it is on your ID.

**Address where you live:** This is the address that is used to decide where you go to vote. If you do not have a street address, describe where you live in the box below your signature.

**Read the form carefully before you sign it.**

**Tear off the Registration Form, fold it, tape it together and mail it to your county auditor. You must put a postage stamp on the form.**

**Within two weeks you should get a notice in the mail that your registration was received. If you don't, contact your county auditor.**

## Deadlines

10 days before a primary or general election and 11 days for all others. You may register after a deadline, but the registration will not be effective until after that election. A registration form postmarked at least 15 days before an election will be accepted for that election even if it is received after the deadline to register to vote. Registration is permanent. After you register, you do not have to register again unless you move.

# Iowa Voter Registration Form

Are you a citizen of the United States of America?  Yes  No  
 Will you be 18 years of age on or before election day?  Yes  No

NOTE: If you checked “No” in response to either of these questions, do not complete this form.

\* Please print information on form.

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| ID Number, see Instructions | Date of Birth<br>/ /<br>Mo/Day/Year | Sex<br><input type="checkbox"/> Female<br><input type="checkbox"/> Male | Iowa county where you live |
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| Full Name - Last | First | Middle | Suffix |
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| Address where you live. | Number | Street | Apt, Lot, etc. | City, State, Zip |
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| Mailing address (if different from above.) | Number | Street | Apt, Lot, etc. | City, State, Zip |
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| Party Affiliation<br><input type="checkbox"/> Democratic<br><input type="checkbox"/> Republican<br><input type="checkbox"/> No Party | Telephone number (Optional)<br>( ) | School District |
| Email (Optional)                                                                                                                     |                                    |                 |

## Read the following and sign below:

I swear or affirm that:

- I am the person named above.
- I am a United States citizen.
- I live at the address listed above.
- I am at least 17 1/2 years old.
- I have not been convicted of a felony. (or have received a restoration of rights).
- I am not currently judged by a court to be “incompetent to vote”.
- I do not claim the right to vote anywhere else.

X \_\_\_\_\_

Signature

\_\_\_\_\_ Date

**WARNING: If you sign this form and you know it is not true, you can be convicted of perjury and fined up to \$7,500 and/or jailed for up to 5 years.**

If you have no street address because you use a rural route address, or because you are homeless, please list your township \_\_\_\_\_ and section number. \_\_\_\_\_

Or describe where you live: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_  
(Mi or blks) (N,S,E,W) (Mi or blks) (N,S,E,W) (Landmark or highway junction)

**If you have ever been registered to vote before, complete this section:**

Your name then: \_\_\_\_\_

Your address then: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of the County: \_\_\_\_\_