

VOTERS' BILL OF RIGHTS

*Know your rights as a voter and educate your family, friends, and neighbors as well.
We must make sure that every registered Democrat votes and that every vote is counted!*

You have the right to cast a ballot if you are a valid registered voter. A valid registered voter is a United States citizen who is a California resident, who is at least 18 years of age and not in prison or on parole for conviction of a felony, and who is registered to vote at his or her current residence address.

You have the right to request and cast a paper ballot at any polling place instead of using a touchscreen machine. These are regular (*not* provisional) ballots that *must* be counted the same as any other vote.

You have the right to cast a provisional ballot, no matter what – even if your name is not listed on the voting rolls. You can confirm whether it has been counted after elections officials determine your eligibility to vote.

You have the right to receive a new ballot if, prior to casting your ballot, you believe you made a mistake. If at any time before you finally cast your ballot you feel you have made a mistake, you have the right to exchange the spoiled ballot for a new ballot. Absentee voters may also request and receive a new ballot if they return their spoiled ballot to an election official prior to the closing of the polls on the Election Day.

You have the right to ask questions about election procedures and observe the election process. You have the right to ask questions of the precinct board and election officials regarding election procedures and to receive an answer or be directed to the appropriate official for an answer.

You have the right to cast a ballot if you are present and in line at the polling place prior to the close of the polls (8:00 p.m.).

You have the right to election materials in another language, if there are sufficient residents in your precinct to warrant production.

You have the right to cast a secret ballot free from intimidation.

You have the right to receive assistance in casting your ballot, if you are unable to vote without assistance.

You have the right to return a completed absentee ballot to any precinct in your county.

You have the right to report any illegal or fraudulent activity to a local elections official or to the Secretary of State at (800) 345-VOTE.

Questions? Problems?

Call (858) 277-3367

or e-mail grassroots@sddemocrats.org.

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Voting By Mail

The deadline for requesting an absentee ballot is **Tuesday, October 31**.

If you have your absentee ballot, we recommend that you mail it **no later than Friday, November 3**.

Postmark date does NOT apply to absentee ballots. They must be RECEIVED by the Registrar of Voters on or before Election Day.

After November 3, you can either:

1. Hand-carry your completed absentee ballot to any polling place in San Diego County; or
2. Relinquish your uncompleted absentee ballot at your designated polling place, and vote the regular way.

If you have lost your absentee ballot, go to your designated polling place and ask to vote using a provisional ballot.