FOOD, DEMOCRACY, AND THE RIGHT TO VOTE

2018
WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO VOTE?

- A qualified elector is a United States citizen, 18 years of age or older, who has resided in the district in which he or she intends to vote for at least 10 consecutive days.
- A voter is certifying this on the voter registration form.
- The County Clerk provides a list of ineligible voters to each municipal clerk prior to each election.
LEGISLATIVE OR ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES REMINDERS

• Voter ID Law now in effect
• 10-day Residency Requirement
• All absentee ballots must be in by 8pm on Election Day, not the Friday after
• Absentee Certificates must include witness address
REGISTRATION DEADLINES

• By mail or online, up to 20 days before the election
• In the clerk’s office by 5pm the Friday before the Election
• At the polling place on a Election Day!
VOTER REGISTRATION
Proof of Residence & Proof of Identification

- Proof of residence proves where you live
  - Presented by voters when registering to vote

- Proof of identification proves who you are
  - Presented by voters when voting a ballot

- Some documents can prove both
Acceptable Proof of Residence

Proof of Residence proves where you live

The following types of documents are acceptable Proof of Residence if they contain*:

- Current name
- Current residential address

Some forms of Proof of Residence have expiration requirements as noted.
Acceptable
Proof of Residence

- Proof of Residence is not used to confirm the 10-day residency requirement is met.
- The voter’s sworn statement on the registration application should be taken at face value unless an inspector or challenger has direct evidence to the contrary.
Acceptable Proof of Residence

1. A current & valid Wisconsin driver license.
2. A current & valid Wisconsin ID card.

* These acceptable forms of proof residence must be current & valid.
Acceptable Proof of Residence

3. Any other official identification card or license issued by a Wisconsin governmental body or unit.
Acceptable Proof of Residence

4. Any identification card issued by an employer in the normal course of business and bearing a photo of the card holder, but not including a business card.
Acceptable Proof of Residence

5. A real estate tax bill or receipt for the current year or the year preceding the date of the election.
6. A residential lease which is effective for a period that includes the registration date (NOT for first-time voters registering by mail).
Acceptable Proof of Residence

7. A university, college or technical institute identification card (must include photo), ONLY valid if the voter provides a fee receipt dated within the last nine months.
Acceptable Proof of Residence

8. A university, college or technical institute identification card (must include photo), ONLY valid if the institution provides a certified housing list to the municipal clerk that indicates citizenship.
Acceptable Proof of Residence

9. A utility statement (gas, electric, telephone, mobile phone, internet, cable or satellite TV) for the period commencing not earlier than 90 days before the registration date.
Acceptable
Proof of Residence


*HSBC*

*State Bank of Drummond*

*M&I Bank*
Acceptable Proof of Residence

11. Paycheck.

12. A check or other document issued by a unit of government.
Acceptable Proof of Residence

13. An letter on public or private social service agency letterhead identifying a homeless voter and describing the individual’s residence for voting purposes.
**QUESTIONABLE PROOF OF RESIDENCE**

All valid forms of proof of residence must contain the elector’s (1) current name and (2) current address.

If the proof of residence has an expiration date, that date must be on or after the date of the election.

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<td>Statement for investment account or Mutual Fund Statement if it also contains a statement for a liquid savings or checking account</td>
<td>Credit Card Statements from a Bank/Credit Union, if not connected to an account where deposits and withdrawals occur.</td>
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<td>A confirmation of change of address from USPS (not a yellow forwarding sticker)</td>
<td>Diploma or degree (unless issued from a public school and contains the name and address of the school).</td>
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<td>Mortgage loan statement</td>
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<td>Letter or other communication from County Child Support Agency</td>
<td>Great Lakes Higher Education loan statements (private contractor for Federal loans)</td>
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<td>Five Day Notice</td>
<td>Health Insurance Statements or bills—This includes statements from entities that contract with state or federal government to administer Medicaid and Medicare.</td>
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<td>Letter, notice or tax bill from IRS, DOR, etc.</td>
<td>ADT, Home Security of America or other home security provider statement.</td>
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Acceptable Photo IDs

- University / College Tech College + Enrollment Verification
- WI State ID
- WI Driver or State ID Receipt
- Tribal ID
- WI Driver License
- US Passport Book or Card
- Certificate of Naturalization
- US Uniformed Services
ABSENTEE VOTING

- Any registered voter can request an absentee ballot, no reason is needed
- Must be registered to vote with that municipality
- Challenging for those with fluctuating housing
TROUBLESHOOTING

- A Photo ID is never required to REGISTER to vote
- The DMV receipt is acceptable for Photo ID
- Registered voters who are unable to provide a Photo ID are entitled to a Provisional Ballot
- A hunting or fishing license can be used to register to vote
- Homeless service providers are able to provide a letter documenting proof of residence
- Registered Voters are entitled to a provisional ballot if they do not have a Photo ID on hand
THANK YOU!

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