

KNOW YOUR VOTING RIGHTS

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Election Day is **Tuesday, November 6, 2012**. You must register to vote by **Tuesday, October 9, 2012**.

What You Need to Know About PA's New Voter ID Law

Starting with the **November 6, 2012** election, you will be **required** to show **photo ID** to vote in person, even if you have voted at the same place for years.

Only some types of photo ID will be accepted:

- * Pennsylvania driver's license
- * PennDOT non-driver photo ID
- * U.S. passport
- * U.S. government-issued photo ID
- * Commonwealth of Pennsylvania-issued photo ID
- * U.S. military or Pennsylvania National Guard photo ID
- * Pennsylvania municipality-issued photo ID
- * Accredited Pennsylvania college- or university-issued photo ID
- * Pennsylvania nursing/personal-care facility photo ID

Medicare/Medicaid cards, Access cards, Dept. of Veterans Affairs cards, school district employee IDs, and high school IDs will NOT be accepted.

Check carefully that:

- (1) your photo ID is current and includes an expiration date. Driver's licenses and PennDOT non-driver photo IDs can be expired by one year or less. Military IDs can say expiration date is indefinite.
- (2) AND the name on your photo ID closely matches your name in the voter registry.

If your photo ID doesn't meet these two conditions, it will **not be accepted.**

If you do not have a valid photo ID to vote, you can get one for **FREE** (more information on the back).

You do not need to have photo ID to vote by absentee ballot; you will only need to provide the last four digits of your Social Security number.



Getting a Valid Photo ID

If you do not have a valid photo ID to vote, you can get a **FREE** non-driver photo ID at a PennDOT (Department of Motor Vehicles) Driver License Center. You will need to sign an oath that you are a registered voter and that you do not have a valid photo ID.

If you have had a PA driver's license or non-driver photo ID at any time since 1990, you should be in the computer system and will not need to bring any documents. To check, call PennDOT at (800) 932-4600.

If you have never had a PA photo ID or are not in PennDOT's system, you must show the following documents to get the free photo ID:

Official Social Security card (not a copy) AND one of the following:

* Official birth certificate:

If you were born in PA, you can either:

- a) Show an official copy of your birth certificate. It must have a raised seal—it cannot be a photocopy or hospital registration form.
- b) OR ask PennDOT to verify your birth record at a Driver License Center. Once your birth record is verified, you will receive a letter from PennDOT. Bring the letter, your Social Security card and two proofs of residency (more information below) to a Driver License Center to get the free photo ID.

If you were not born in PA, you must show an official "raised seal" birth certificate. It cannot be a photocopy or hospital registration form.

- * Valid U.S. passport
- * Certificate of U.S. citizenship
- * Certificate of naturalization

AND two of the following proofs of residency:

- * Lease agreement
- * Current utility bills
- * W-2 form
- * Tax records
- * Mortgage documents
- * Current gun permit

You can find a list of PennDOT Driver License Centers by calling **(800) 932-4600** or visiting **www.dmv.state.pa.us/**. Leave yourself plenty of time to get the documents you need!

Please note that the PA Dept. of State continues to change the requirements for getting a free photo ID. For the latest information, or if you have problems getting the free ID, call **(866) OUR-VOTE (687-8683)** or visit **www.aclupa.org/voterID**.