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Note: This FAQ is not exhaustive. Situations or inquiries may arise that are not answered below. In those circumstances, contact your hotline captain or command center for assistance. Please make sure to record all of the voter’s contact information should follow-up be necessary.

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1. **Am I registered to vote?**

Voters can determine whether they are registered to vote by checking the Nevada Secretary of State’s website: [https://nvsos.gov/votersearch/](https://nvsos.gov/votersearch/).

2. **Where do I vote?**

Clark County registered voters can vote at any of the voting centers in the county. Voters in all other counties can determine their proper polling place online at the Nevada Secretary of State’s website: [https://nvsos.gov/votersearch/index.aspx](https://nvsos.gov/votersearch/index.aspx).

If a voter has moved recently and has not updated their voter registration, refer to **Question #6**.

3. **When do the polls open and close?**
Democratic Caucus sites open at 10 AM on Caucus Day. The Caucus will begin at 12 PM.

For the statewide primary and general elections, the polls will be open from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm Pacific Time on Election Day. All voters waiting in-line at 7:00 pm, must be allowed to vote.

4. When is/was the voter registration deadline?

2020 Democratic Caucus Registration Deadline: January 25, 2020 (postmarked mail); February 3, 2020 (online); February 1, 2020 (in-person); Same-day registration and/change of party affiliation is also available on Caucus Day.

The presidential caucus in Nevada is “closed”, meaning that voters must be registered members of the political party holding the caucus to participate.

2020 State Primary Elections: June 6, 2020
Registration Deadline: May 12, 2020 (postmarked mail); May 12, 2020 (in-person); June 4, 2020 (online); Same-day registration and/change of party affiliation is available during Early Voting and on Election Day.

The state primary election in Nevada is “closed”, meaning that voters must be registered members of the political party holding the primary to participate.

2020 General Election: November 3, 2020
Voter Registration Deadline: October 6, 2020 (postmarked mail); October 6, 2020 (in-person); October 29, 2020 (online); Same-day registration is available during Early Voting and on Election Day.

5. Can I vote without providing identification?

In Nevada, most voters do not need to present ID in order to vote. There are only two limited exceptions to this rule.

Exception One: (1) this is the voter’s first time voting in a federal election in Nevada; and (2) the voter registered either via mail or online; and (3) the voter did not submit their driver’s license number or last four digits of their SSN when they registered, or an election official was not able to match the voter’s information driver’s license or SSN with existing records.
Acceptable forms of ID for Exception One are a current and valid photo ID, including a Nevada driver’s license or non-driver’s ID card, or a current utility bill, bank statement, paycheck, or government document that shows the voter’s name and address. (This means voter does not have to show photo ID)

Exception Two: If the election board officer determines that the voter’s signature on the voter register does not match the signature on the voter registration, the voter can be identified by:

- Answering questions from the election board officer about personal data reported on the voter registration; or
• Reporting other personal data which verifies his or her identity; or
• Showing his or her driver’s license, DMV identification card, military identification card, or any other form of identification issued by a governmental agency which contains the voter’s signature and physical description or picture.

6. **I have moved and I didn’t update my voter registration, can I vote on election day?**

Movers can update their voting address either before or on Election Day. If a voter has not updated their registration before Election Day, he or she should go to the polling location associated with his or her new address.

All voters will be permitted to cast a full ballot after providing an oral or written affirmation of their new address.

7. **What should I do if there are equipment problems at my precinct?**

Voters should immediately notify the poll workers if the voting equipment breaks down while the polls are open. Then a voter should ask if emergency paper ballots are available.

8. **I am a registered voter who is not on the rolls at the polling location where I currently am. Can I vote where I am?**

An election official at the polling location will check to see if a voter is registered by researching the voter’s information on a database on site. Make sure the poll worker checks the full list of voters and not just the one for that precinct. If the voter is in **Clark County**, they can vote at any vote center.

If the poll worker says the voter is not eligible to vote, but the voter thinks they are, the voter can cast a provisional ballot. A provisional ballot will not be counted unless it is later determined that the voter was eligible to vote and they voted in the right precinct. Whenever possible, voters should vote where they are able to cast a regular ballot.

> **Voting provisionally should only be used as a LAST RESORT. Try to exhaust all other options before voting provisionally.**

9. **My name isn’t popping up on the list of registered voters – could it have been removed?**

A voter’s name can be removed from the list of registered voters for any of the following reasons:

• The voter’s own written request;
• Conviction of a felony;
• A finding of lack of mental capacity;
• Death;
• Discovery of a duplicate registration;
• After consultation with the district attorney in connection with an investigation of fraudulent residence information on a registration; or
• In connection with a voter registration investigation or list maintenance program.

Any voter whose name was removed from the statewide voter registration system on the basis of a determination of ineligibility, who later becomes eligible to vote, must re-register in order to have their name restored to the system.

Volunteers can take steps to help to determine why a voter’s name is not popping up on the list of registered voters:

• Check the voter’s registration status using the registration lookup tool to make sure they are registered to vote (and, if applicable, are at the right polling location). (See Question #1)
• Has the voter moved recently? Could they be registered at an old address? Check that address in the registration lookup tool. (See Question #1 and Question #6.)
• Has the voter changed their name recently, or could they registered under a different name? Check that name (and any variations of the voter’s name, especially for hyphenated names, which sometimes trip up databases) in the registration lookup tool. (See Question #1.)
• When/where did the voter register to vote? Was that before or after the deadline to vote in this election?

10. I have a criminal conviction. Can I vote?10

A citizen of Nevada with a criminal conviction may be eligible to vote depending on the type of conviction, the date of the conviction, and whether they have been honorably discharged from parole and probation. For more information, visit the Nevada Secretary of State’s Website.

11. I have been offered a provisional ballot. What should I do?

Provisional ballots are often not counted, so they should be used only as a last resort. If a voter is offered a provisional ballot, both the voter and a volunteer should inquire why the voter must vote by provisional ballot. The only reasons why a voter should be required to vote by provisional ballot are:

• The voter’s name did not appear as an eligible voter in that election in that jurisdiction or precinct;  
• The voter is required to show identification but cannot provide any of the forms of identification. (See Question #5);  
• The voter declares that, as a result of a court order extending the time established for the closing of polls, they are entitled to vote after the polling place would normally close.  

Other than for these reasons, the voter should be able to cast a regular ballot. If the voter must cast a provisional ballot, volunteers should make sure the voter is in the right precinct for their
current address. (Reminder: voters in Clark County may vote at any polling location). A voter who casts a provisional ballot because they did not present the right kind of ID will be required to provide the required ID to the county clerk by 5:00 p.m. on the Friday following election day or their provisional ballot will not be counted.

If a voter casts a provisional ballot, the voter will receive a unique identification number. The voter has the right to verify that the ballot was counted, or to know the reason why it was not. After casting a provisional ballot, voters may call the Nevada provisional ballot hotline at (877) 766-8683. A voter may also check the status of their ballot online: https://www.nvsos.gov/sos/elections/voters/provisional-voting.

Voting provisionally should only be used as a LAST RESORT. Try to exhaust all other options ballot before voting provisionally.

12. I am a college student. Can I register to vote where I go to school?

Yes. College students who meet the generally applicable registration requirements may register to vote where they attend school. To establish residency, one must continuously reside in the state and county for 30 days, and in the precinct for 10 days.

13. I am physically disabled and need assistance. Will my polling place be accessible?

Yes. Any registered voter unable to mark a ballot or use any voting device without assistance is entitled to assistance and reasonable accommodations. Unless the voting place is in a temporary location due to a natural disaster, at least one voting booth must be:

- Designed to allow a voter in a wheelchair to vote;
- Designated for use by a voter who is elderly or a voter with a disability;
- Equipped to allow a voter who is elderly or a voter with a disability to vote with the same privacy as a voter who is not elderly or a voter without a disability;
- Equipped with a mechanical recording device which directly records the votes electronically and which may be used by a voter with a disability.

14. I am blind, physically disabled, or cannot read English and require assistance in order to vote. Can I get assistance at the polls?

Yes. Any voter who needs assistance voting is entitled to have some person of their choice, other than the voter’s employer, an agent of the employer, or an officer or agent of the voter’s union, mark the voter’s choices or assist the voter in marking their choices on the ballot.

15. I don’t know how to use the voting equipment. Can I get help?
Yes. Voters may ask poll workers for instructions on how to use the equipment. Additionally, poll workers are encouraged to post voting instructions in at least 12-point font in a conspicuous place at each polling place.

16. Can I vote absentee or vote in person before election day?

Any registered voter may request an absentee ballot. Absentee voters must complete an absentee ballot request form: https://www.nvsos.gov/sos/home/showdocument?id=2394 and submit it to the county clerk/registrar’s office of their county. Contact information for every county is provided on the Secretary of State’s website: https://www.nvsos.gov/sos/elections/voters/county-clerk-contact-information.

Absentee ballot requests must be received no later than 5 p.m. on the seventh calendar day preceding an election. Absentee ballots must be returned no later than close of polls on election day.

If a voter received an absentee ballot wishes to vote in person, they may do so if they return the ballot or affirm that they have not yet voted in the election.

Any registered voter may also vote early at any location in their county where early voting is offered. Access to the locations and times for every county is available online: https://www.nvsos.gov/sos/elections/voters/early-voting-information.

17. What if I requested an absentee ballot but I want to vote in person on election day?

If a voter requested an absentee ballot they should vote using that ballot. If the voter goes to the county clerk with the ballot, they should turn in the voted absentee ballot directly. If they go to a polling place or early polling place, the absentee ballot will be cancelled and they can vote a regular ballot with ID. Also, if the voter arrives at a polling place, early polling place, or office of the county clerk without the ballot they may vote in person if they:

• Provide satisfactory identification;
• Are a registered voter who is otherwise entitled to vote; and
• Sign an affirmation under penalty of perjury declaring that they have not voted during the election.

18. Does my state have same-day registration? If so, what is the process?

Yes. Voters can register to vote or update existing voter registration information in person at the polling place either during early voting or on election day. To register and vote in person on the same day, a voter must appear at a polling place, complete an application to register to vote by computer or another authorized method at the polling place and provide proof of identity and residence.
19. **What rules apply to people campaigning or “hanging around” my polling place? Can people approach me?**

Electioneering, including soliciting votes or speaking to voters on the subject of their vote, is prohibited in polling places and within 100 feet from the entrance of the polling place.²⁹

20. **Someone is formally challenging my right to vote. What do I do?**³⁰

A voter can be challenged orally by any registered voter of the precinct or district upon the ground that they are not the person entitled to vote as claimed or have voted before at the same election; or on other eligibility grounds if set forth in a challenge filed with the county clerk. A registered voter who initiates a challenge must submit an affirmation that is signed under penalty of perjury and in the form prescribed by the Secretary of State stating that the challenge is based on the personal knowledge of the registered voter. Challenged voters may vote if they swear an oath that they are eligible and, if they have been challenged on grounds of identity, provide identification.

Voters challenged on grounds of identity who cannot provide ID or who will not swear the oath will not be permitted to vote. Voters challenged on grounds of residence who will not swear the oath will be permitted to vote at a specified designated polling place where they can vote only on questions that are applicable to all voters in the area.

21. **Can I vote in the primary election?**

The presidential caucus in Nevada is “closed”, meaning that voters must be registered members of the party holding the caucus to participate in the caucus. Unaffiliated voters cannot participate in a caucus. The Democratic Caucus will be held on Saturday, February 22, 2020. The Republican Party will not hold a Caucus in Nevada in 2020. To register for the 2020 Democratic Caucus, mail registrations must be postmarked by January 25, 2020; in-person registrations are due by February 1, 2020; and online registrations are due by February 3, 2020. In addition, voters may register or change party affiliation on Caucus Day or at their in-person early vote location.

The state primary elections in Nevada are also “closed.” The state primary will be held on June 6, 2020. To register for the 2020 state primary, mail registrations must be postmarked by May 12, 2020; in-person registrations are due by May 12, 2020; and online registrations are due by June 4, 2020. In addition, voters may register or change party affiliation at their polling place on election day or at their in-person early vote location.
23 Id.
28 Nev. Assembly Bill No. 345.