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FIRST TIME VOTER FACT SHEET

1. Am I officially registered? What if I have a question about the status of my registration?

You should receive your voter registration card 3-4 weeks after you mail in your registration form. If you don't receive a card, call your County Board of Elections to make sure you are registered:

Philadelphia:
520 N Delaware Ave
5th Floor
Philadelphia, PA 19123
(215) 686 1591

Montgomery County:
Courthouse PO Box 311
Norristown, PA 19404
(610) 278 3280

Bucks County:
55 E Court St
Doylestown, PA 18901
(215) 348 6163

Chester County:
601 Westtown Rd STE 150
PO Box 2747
West Chester, PA 19380-0990
(610) 344 6410

Delaware County:
Government Center Bldg
201 W Front St
Media, PA 19063-2728
(610) 891 4659

2. Do I need identification to vote?

In general, Pennsylvania does not have a voter ID requirement.

However, an individual voting for the *first time ever* or for *the first time at a new polling place* must show valid proof of identification to vote on a voting machine. You can show either photo identification or non-photo identification. Approved forms of voter identification include:

Photo Identification:

- Pennsylvania driver's license or PENNDOT ID card
- ID issued by any Commonwealth agency
- ID issued by the U.S. Government
- U.S. passport
- U.S. Armed Forces ID
- Student ID
- Employee ID

Non-photo Identification

(showing name and address)

- Voter registration card issued by voter registration commission
- Non-photo ID issued by the Commonwealth
- Non-photo ID issued by the U.S. Government
- Firearm permit
- Current utility bill
- Current bank statement
- Current paycheck
- Government check

If you are registered to vote but do not bring your ID on Election Day, you can still vote with a provisional ballot. Don't leave without voting!



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3. Where is my polling place?

Your polling place location is listed on your voter registration card. If you misplace your voter registration card, visit www.votespa.com to locate your polling place.

Philadelphia voters can visit the **Committee of Seventy's Citizen Access Center's** polling place locator either by logging on to www.seventy.org or by calling 1-866-268-8603.

Polls are open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Election Day.

4. Can someone help me in the voting booth?

If you are visually impaired, physically disabled, or unable to read or write English proficiently, a person of your choice can help you vote as long as that person is not your employer, union leader or the judge of elections (unless the judge is the only person who speaks the same language as you). You can also contact your County Board of Elections in advance to request assistance at the polls.

5. What if I am unable to vote in person?

If you are registered but unable to vote in person on Election Day, you may be eligible to vote by absentee ballot. To see if you qualify for an absentee ballot, visit or contact your County Board of Elections, or visit the Pennsylvania Department of State's website at www.votespa.com. With few exceptions, all absentee ballot applications must be completed, signed and received by your County Board of Elections no later than 5:00 p.m. on the Tuesday before Election Day.

6. What if I have a problem on Election Day?

If you have a problem on Election Day, call the **Committee of Seventy's Election Day Hotline** at **1-866-OUR-VOTE**.

7. Where can I find more information?

Committee of Seventy:
215-557-3600 or www.seventy.org

Pennsylvania Department of State:
1-877-VOTESPA (877-868-3772) or
www.votespa.com

The Committee of Seventy is a non-partisan organization conducting a permanent campaign to improve the Philadelphia region by demanding ethical conduct of public officials, safeguarding elections, promoting government efficiency and educating citizens. If you are interested in learning more or volunteering on Election Day, please call (215) 557-3600 or visit www.seventy.org.