Important dates

October 5 is Registration Day
Register to vote or update your address by October 5.

November 3 is Election Day
Polling places open between 7:00 am and 12:00 noon and close at 8:00 pm.
In counties mailing ballots to all voters, limited polling locations or elections offices will be open.
Find a location near you at your elections website.
You can drop off your ballot at all Election Day voting locations.
Same-day registration is available at all Election Day voting locations.
Avoid the lines! Voting locations are usually less busy in the mid-morning or early afternoon.

Ways to vote in Montana

Vote by mail with an absentee ballot
- In some counties, all registered voters will be mailed a ballot. In other counties, voters can request an absentee ballot.
- The deadline to receive ballots is November 2, the first day of early voting.
- Ballots must be delivered to the elections office by Election Day, November 3 by 8:00 pm. All ballots must be delivered to the elections office by Election Day, November 3 by 8:00 pm.
- Mail-in ballots can be dropped off at a secure ballot drop-off location or at a polling place.

Vote in person on Election Day
- Find a location near you at your elections website.
- You can drop off your ballot at all Election Day voting locations.
- Same-day registration is available at all Election Day voting locations.
- If you haven’t already done so, return your absentee ballot:
  - At your elections office.
  - At a secure ballot drop-off location.
  - At a polling place on Election Day.

Vote early
October 5 through November 2, elections offices and other designated locations are open for in-person absentee voting.

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More information

Healthy Voting
Up-to-date information on healthy voting options in Montana is available at HealthyVoting.org/Montana

Montana Board of Elections
Visit the state elections website for links to:
- Track your absentee ballot
- Register to vote or update your registration
- Find voting locations near you
- Contact your county elections office

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Partners: We Can Vote, American Public Health Association (APHA), National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO), Center for Civic Design (CCD), Center for Tech and Civic Life (CTCL)
## Healthy voting basics

If you go out to vote—whether to drop off a ballot or vote in person—follow these common sense precautions.

- Wear a mask or other face-covering.
- Maintain a physical distance of 6 feet to protect yourself, election workers, and other voters.
- If you go to a post office, wear a mask or other face covering to protect yourself, the postal clerk, and others.
- Before and after voting, wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Or use hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.

If you are sick or concerned that you have been exposed to the coronavirus, and don’t have an absentee ballot, contact your local election office for guidance about your voting options.

## Healthy tips for voting by mail

Voting by mail is a healthy option because you vote at home. If you go out at all, it's only to mail or drop off your ballot.

- If you need to buy stamps, consider using the Post Office's online store, usps.com.
- If you go to a post office or store to buy stamps, wear a mask or other face covering to protect yourself, the postal clerk, and other people.
- If you go outside to mail your ballot, wash your hands with soap and warm water for at least 20 seconds when you get home.
- You may be able to put your ballot in a drop box from a car.
- To seal the envelope after you have voted, use a damp sponge.

## Healthy tips for voting in person

Voting in person usually means going to a voting center where there will be other people, but is where you can get assistance.

- Follow instructions for healthy voting at your in person voting location.
- Practice physical distancing and stay 6 feet away from poll workers and other voters.
- Don’t try to clean the voting system yourself. Ask an election worker. They know how to do it without damaging the machine.
- If you can, go when the voting center will not be as busy, usually mid-morning or early-afternoon.
- Use curbside or drive-through voting if available.

## Accessible voting

All in-person voting centers must have at least one accessible voting system.

- If you can, go when the voting center will not be as busy, usually mid-morning or early-afternoon.
- Use curbside or drive-through voting if available.
- You can bring your own headphone to use with the accessible system.