October 26 is Registration Day
Register to vote or update your address by October 26.

November 3 is Election Day
Voting centers are open until 8:00 pm. Opening times can vary by location. Find a location near you at your elections website.
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.

Return your ballot if you haven't done so already:
- At a secure ballot drop-off location.
- By mail, postmarked by Election Day.

Important dates

Vote by mail
All registered voters will be mailed a ballot.
Deadline to return your ballot:
- Postmarked by Election Day, November 3 for mailed ballots
- Delivered by Election Day, November 3 at 8:00 pm OR by mail to a drop-off location.

Vote early
October 16 through November 2, voting centers are open for early voting.
Same-day registration is available at all early voting locations.

Vote in person on Election Day
At least one voting location is open in each area on Election Day.
Find a location near you at your elections website.
Same-day registration is available at all Election Day voting locations.

Ways to vote in Washington

More information

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

Washington elections office
Visit the official 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

HealthyVoting.org/Washington

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
Your guide to a safe election for you and your community

Washington
General Election
November 3, 2020

sos.wa.gov/elections
(800) 448-4881
If you go out to vote—to drop off a ballot or vote in person—follow these common sense precautions to keep voting healthy for you and your community.

- Wear a mask or other face covering.
- Maintain a physical distance of at least 6 feet to protect yourself, election workers, and other voters.
- 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 elections office for guidance about your voting options.

Healthy voting basics

Voting by mail is a healthy option because you vote at home.

- You may be able to put your ballot in a drop box from a car.

Make sure your ballot counts! Remember...

- Be sure to sign the declaration on the return envelope.
- Seal inner and outer envelopes.
- Closely follow all instructions to ensure your ballot is counted.
- You don’t need a stamp because postage is pre-paid.

Healthy tips for voting by mail

Voting in person means going to an early voting location or polling place.

- Bring your mask, hand sanitizer, and water.
- Follow instructions for healthy voting at your in-person voting location.
- Practice physical distancing and stay at least 6 feet away from poll workers and other voters.
- Don’t try to clean the 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.

Healthy tips for voting in person

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 headphones to use with the accessible system.

Accessible voting

Check with your local elections office for other accessible voting options.