



Conducting a Voter Registration Drive in New York

Voter Registration Deadline

- Mailed registration applications must be postmarked by no later than the 25th day before Election Day and received by no later than the 20th day before Election Day.
- The deadline for in-person registration is the 25th day before Election Day.

Getting Started

Training Requirement: New York does not require training for registration drives.

Notification and Registration Requirements: New York does not have notification requirements for registration drives.

Compensation Restrictions: Do not pay registration drive participants based on how many registrations they collect.

Obtaining Applications

State Form: Blank state voter registration applications may be obtained from a [county elections office](#) or downloaded and printed from the [New York State Board of Elections website](#).

Federal Form: The [federal mail-in voter registration application](#) may also be used in voter registration drives.

Photocopying Blank Forms: Blank forms may be photocopied and used in voter registration drives.

Handling Applications

Incomplete Applications: Do not fill in any missing information on a registration form unless you have permission from the applicant.

Photocopying Completed Applications: There is no law or rule prohibiting photocopying or retaining information from completed registration applications. **A voter's date of birth, signature, full or partial Social Security Number, and driver's license number should be removed before copying any application.**

Submitting Completed Applications: Return completed applications to the appropriate [county elections office](#) by the 25th day before Election Day or earlier.

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