Conducting a Voter Registration Drive in Arizona

Voter Registration Deadline
On or before the 29th day before Election Day
If returned by mail, the registration must be: (1) postmarked by the deadline and received by the County Recorder by 7:00 p.m. on Election Day; or (2) dated on or before the deadline and received by the County Recorder no later than 5 days after the deadline.

Training Requirement: Arizona does not require training for registration drives.

Notification and Registration Requirements: Arizona does not require notification of a registration drive.

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

Obtaining Applications

Online Registration: Individuals with an Arizona driver license or ID card may register online using Service Arizona MVD.

State Form:
- Available on the Secretary of State’s website.
- Request an Arizona voter registration form from the county recorder in the county in which the applicant is a legal resident.

Federal Form: The federal mail-in registration application may also be used in voter registration drives.

Photocopying Blank Forms: You may photocopy blank forms for use in voter registration drives.

Handling Applications

Incomplete Applications: No changes should be made or information added to a completed, signed registration application.

Photocopying Completed Applications: Arizona law does not expressly prohibit photocopying completed registration applications. As a best practice, a voter’s full or partial Social Security number and/or driver’s license number should not be retained.

Arizona also has a proof of citizenship requirement for registration to vote in state and local elections. Providing an Arizona driver’s license or state ID number issued after October 1, 1996, on either the state or federal voter registration form, fulfills the proof of citizenship requirement as long as the state finds your record. You don’t need to provide anything more.

If you don’t have an Arizona driver’s license or state ID issued after October 1, 1996, you will be registered for federal elections either way but you will need to provide documentary proof of citizenship by 5pm on the Thursday before Election Day to vote in state and local elections.

Proof of citizenship includes any one of the items on the list below. If you fail to provide that and the election official is not able to match you with an existing motor vehicles record showing you proved your citizenship, you will only be able to receive a federal-only ballot and will not be able to vote in state and local elections.

- A photocopy of a U.S. birth certificate and supporting legal documentation (i.e. marriage certificate) if your name has changed;
- A photocopy of the front pages of your passport;
- U.S. naturalization documents or your Alien Registration Number;
- Your Indian Census Number, Bureau of Indian Affairs Card Number, Tribal Treaty Card Number, or Tribal Enrollment Number; or
- A photocopy of your Tribal Certificate of Indian Blood or Tribal or Bureau of Indian Affairs Affidavit of Birth.

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