

For Incarcerated & Reentering Citizens—Who Can and Cannot Register and Vote in PA

STEP 1: PA QUALIFICATIONS: www.vote.pa.gov

- 18 years old or older
- US citizen and PA resident (both for at least 30 days)
- Approved ID: PA Driver's License, PennDOT ID, or last 4 digits of Social Security #

STEP 2: LEGAL STATUS: You can register and vote unless you are still being held for a felony conviction on Election Day.

You **CAN** register and vote with this legal status: www.vote.pa.gov

- Pre-trial detainee incarcerated while awaiting trial on charges of a misdemeanor or a felony.
- Incarcerated for or were ever convicted of misdemeanors.
- Released on probation or parole, including in halfway houses*, whether you were convicted of a misdemeanor or a felony.
- Under house arrest while awaiting trial or after conviction of a misdemeanor or a felony.
- *Returned on a parole violation*, have been convicted of a "technical", a misdemeanor but not a new felony charge.
- *Returned on a parole violation*, arrested and charged with a felony but with pre-trial detainee status.

STEP 2: LEGAL STATUS (Continued): You **CANNOT** register or vote with this legal status:

- Currently incarcerated for a felony and will *still be confined on Election Day, OR*
- In a halfway house* or an alternate correctional facility on pre-release status for conviction of a felony and *will still be confined on Election Day*.
- Cannot vote for 4 years after conviction of violations of any provisions of the PA Election Code.

STEP 3: VOTER STATUS: "[Voter registration status](#)" is PA's record of registered voters.

1. "Active" voter status means you are a registered voter and can vote.
2. Listed as "inactive" or "not listed": change voter status to "active" by registering to vote.

- Approved "active" voter when a Voter ID card is received. About 3 weeks after registering to vote, a Voter ID card will be sent to the home address used to register. This card is an approved ID to vote in-person. **See VoteRiders.org for help with ID.**

Remember, to VOTE, you must qualify as a PA voter, have eligible legal status, and active voter status. For help 24/7, call 866-OUR-VOTE to talk to live operators.



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