
(based on CDC Guidance, “Considerations for Election Polling Locations and Voters” @

You should understand and consider the voting alternatives available in your area that minimize contact, such as vote by mail. Ultimately, you have the choice to decide what voting method works best for you. If you choose to vote in person either during early voting or on Election Day, the following best practices can help keep you safe while voting.

Avoid crowds
- Vote early, if available in your jurisdiction. [Check https://www.usvotefoundation.org/vote/state-elections/state-voting-laws-requirements.htm]
- If possible, vote at off-peak times, such as mid-morning.
- If driving to the polls and your schedule allows, monitor the voter line from your car and join it when it’s shorter.

Polling Site
- Check your polling location and requirements in advance because they may have changed due to COVID-19.
- Verify your voter registration information is correct before going to your polling location. If you live in a state where it is possible to register at your polling location during early voting or on Election Day, try to complete any voter registration forms before arriving at the polling location.
- Make sure you have all necessary documents required by your state, such as an acceptable photo ID, to avoid delays at the polling location.
- Review or complete a sample ballot at home to speed the process of casting your ballot at the polling location. [Check https://ballotpedia.org/Sample_Ballot_Lookup for your sample ballot]. Note, areas covered by Section 203 of the Voting Rights Act must provide sample ballots translated into the covered language(s).
- Bring your own black ink pen.
- Bring a stylus or similar object for use with touchscreen voting machines. Check with poll workers before using.

Practice healthy behaviors
- Wash your hands before entering and after leaving the polling location.
- Wear a mask.
- While in the polling location, use alcohol-based hand sanitizer containing at least 60% alcohol frequently, especially after touching surfaces frequently touched by multiple people, such as door handles or voting machines.
- Maintain at least 6 feet (about 2 arms’ length) of distance from others even when you and others are wearing masks.
- Do not disinfect or wipe down the voting equipment yourself. Electronic voting equipment can be damaged by cleaners and disinfectants. If you use hand sanitizer before touching the voting equipment, ensure your hands are completely dry to avoid damaging the equipment. Wash your hands or use alcohol-based hand sanitizer after using the voting equipment.

Find more information on how you can be prepared to vote at:
www.advancingjustice-ajjc.org/election2020

If you have any questions about voting, no matter how big or small, call us at 1-888-API-VOTE (1-888-274-8683) for help in English, Mandarin (普通話), Cantonese (廣東話), Korean (한국어), Vietnamese (tiếng Việt), Tagalog, Urdu (اردو), Hindi (हिंदी), and Bengali/Bangla (বাংলা). We are available to provide assistance leading up to, on, and after Election Day.