

7 Frequently Asked Questions about Voters with Disabilities

I have been civilly committed. Can I vote?

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I have a guardian or conservator. Can I vote?

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I have a felony conviction. Can I vote?

If it's been two years since you were off paper (completed your sentence, parole or probation), then yes! It doesn't matter if the felony was a conviction from another state—Nebraska law allows you to register after two years have passed.

What are the rules for accessibility at the polling place?

Polling places are supposed to be free of barriers to enter and exit. That means ramps, wide doors, accessible parking, and doors you can open with one closed fist.

Every polling place must also have a voting machine available that helps people who are visually or hearing impaired, or who use a wheelchair. The accessible voting machines are set up to allow you to vote privately and securely.

If you discover your polling place isn't accessible or you'd like to report problems you've encountered while voting, contact the Nebraska Secretary of State's Office at 1-888-727-0007 or Disability Rights Nebraska at 402-474-3183.

If you're voting in person and want to help us learn more about accessibility across the state, consider filling out our [accessibility survey](#).

The polling place isn't accessible—or I'm worried about leaving my car in the pandemic—but I don't want to vote by mail. What are my options?

- (1) You can vote early in person at the county election commissioner office. Find your [county election office](#) on the Secretary of State's website.
- (2) You can go on election day and vote curbside without leaving your car. A poll worker will bring the ballot to you.

The election is almost here and I forgot to mail my ballot in. What are my options?

- (1) You can drop the ballot into the secure box your [county election commissioner office](#).
- (2) You can still vote in person on election day by casting a provisional ballot but the counting of the ballot will take longer to process.
- (3) Some counties have made arrangements for other [drop boxes](#) (for example, some libraries in Omaha and Lincoln have secure drop boxes).

I need assistance to vote in person. What are my options?

The law says you're allowed to have someone of your choice to help. You can also ask the poll workers to help you. It's still your vote and you get to make the choice of who you vote for.

If you have more questions about your right to vote in general, check out this [Nebraska voter guide](#) from Civic Nebraska.