

ID REQUIREMENTS

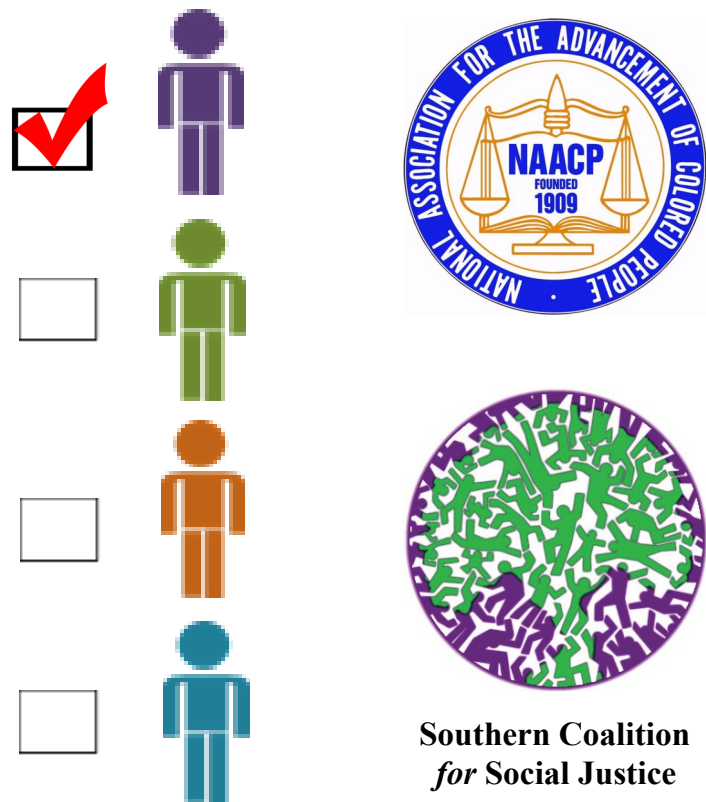
2016 VOTER GUIDE

VOTER ID REQUIREMENTS

For the 2016 general election, **you may be asked to show ID before voting only if you are a first-time voter in Massachusetts, and did not submit identification (ID) with your registration form or your ID couldn't be verified.** Acceptable forms of identification include: current and valid driver's license; state-issued ID card; current utility bill; bank statement; paycheck; government check; or any other government document showing your name and address.

LEARN MORE

Visit www.sec.state.ma.us for more information about voting in Massachusetts. The NAACP and SCSJ are helping communities fight back against attacks on voting rights. Visit www.naacp.org and www.scsj.org to learn more.



MASSACHUSETTS

VOTER REGISTRATION

EARLY & ABSENTEE VOTING

REGISTRATION DEADLINE

To vote in the upcoming election, make sure **your mail-in registration is postmarked by October 19, 2016** (20 days before Election Day).

REQUIREMENTS

To register to vote in Massachusetts, you must be:

- a U.S. citizen
- a resident of Massachusetts
- at least 18 years old.

If you have been **convicted of a felony**, you may register to vote after you complete your terms of incarceration. You can vote while on probation and parole. Visit www.sec.state.ma.us for more information about registering to vote.

EARLY VOTING DATES

There is no early voting in Massachusetts.

ABSENTEE BALLOTS

All registered voters in Massachusetts may request and mail in an absentee ballot, but only with an excuse.

Acceptable excuses include:

- being absent from your city or town on Election Day
- having a physical disability that prevents your voting at the polling place
- cannot vote at the polls due to religious beliefs

Absentee ballots **must be requested by noon on November 7, 2016** (the day before Election Day), and must be **received by 8:00 pm on Election Day**.

Visit www.sec.state.ma.us for more information about absentee voting.