

Primary Election Updates 2022

This information is based on a presentation from Deputy Secretary of State for Elections Mark Wlaschin to the Advisory Committee on Participatory Democracy on March 22, 2022. The meeting recording is here:

<https://fb.watch/bWb3-ESMDJ/>

You can find current election information here: <https://www.nvsos.gov/sos/elections/2022-election->

1. Eligible voters with a DMV issued ID or driver's license can register to vote online at:

<https://registertovote.nv.gov/>

2. If you lack a DMV issued form of identification, you can register to vote with the paper form here:

<https://www.nvsos.gov/sos/elections/voters/registering-to-vote>

3. Nevada has closed primaries, so you must affiliate with a major political party to vote in the partisan races. Nonpartisans will only see nonpartisan races on their ballot. Register as a Republican to vote for Republican and nonpartisan candidates. Register as a Democrat to vote for Democratic and nonpartisan candidates. You can change your party affiliation at <https://registertovote.nv.gov/> Do so **by April 15, 2022**, to receive the correct mail-in ballot, if you are opting to receive a mail-in ballot.

4. Every active registered voter will receive a paper Sample Ballot. If you would like to help save trees and money, you can request an electronic Sample Ballot through your county registrar or clerk's office. You can view the list of clerks and registrars here: <https://www.nvsos.gov/sos/elections/voters/county-clerk-contact-information>

5. Every active registered voter will receive a mail-in ballot unless the voter opts out of a mail-in ballot. To opt out of receiving a mail-in ballot, go here: <https://www.nvsos.gov/votersearch/> You must opt out **by April 15, 2022**.

6. If you receive a mail-in ballot, you may opt to vote in-person. Once you vote in-person, your mail-in ballot bar code will be deactivated. A mail-in ballot with a deactivated bar code cannot be counted.

7. If you vote with your mail-in ballot, you can either drop your ballot in the mail or you or someone you authorize can drop your ballot in one of the secure drop boxes. Your mail-in ballot will include information with the drop box locations.

8. If you vote in-person, you may vote at any voting location during early voting or on election day. Polling locations and hours will be included in your Sample Ballot.

9. Your mail-in ballot and pollbook validation at the in-person voting location will use your signature to verify your identity. You can view your signature by logging into the voter registration portal through the Update My Existing Registration button here: <https://registertovote.nv.gov/>

10. If the election department cannot verify your signature on your mail-in ballot, you will be contacted to "cure" your ballot. You will have the opportunity to add your signature to your ballot if the signature is missing or provide identification if your signature was not clear.