

Voter ID Exceptions

Voters Confined to their Homes

Voters confined to their home because of age (70 or older) or disability can send the clerk a letter, asking to be on the permanent absentee list. The request needs to specify that the voter is indefinitely confined. It also needs to contain the voter's name, address, and signature.

Permanent absentee voters do not need to provide ID. The witness signing the absentee envelope certifies the voter's identity.

In order to remain on the permanent absentee list, the voter needs to return his or her absentee ballot for every election.

Nursing Homes & Care Facilities

Absentee voters in nursing homes, assisted living facilities, and community based residential facilities with five or more beds vote when two election officials bring absentee ballots to the facility before the election.

The dates and times for absentee voting are posted on site at least five days in advance.

These absentee voters do not need to show ID. If they need assistance, they can have a family member present to assist them, or they can ask the election officials for assistance.

For more information, contact your Municipal Clerk's Office.

County Clerk's Office Contact

county.clerk@countyofdane.com

266-4121

210 Martin Luther King Blvd.
Rm. 106A, Madison 53703

Hours: 7:45 to 4:30 M-F

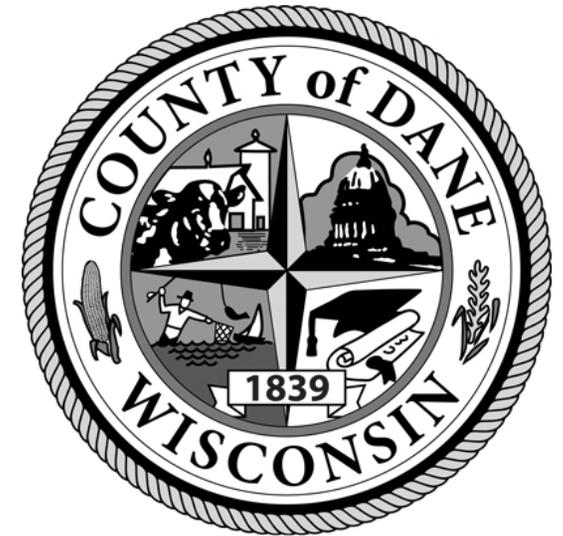
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My Vote WI

<https://MyVote.wi.gov>

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Voter ID Information for Senior Citizens



Our goal is for each eligible voter to be able to cast a ballot and have that ballot counted.

Photo Identification Required

Almost all voters are required to present a photo ID before obtaining a ballot (see exceptions listed in this brochure).

Your photo ID does not need to show a current address. Election officials will only be looking at the type of ID presented, the name and photograph on the ID, and the expiration date of the ID.

Acceptable forms of ID most likely to be held by senior citizens are:

- ★ Wisconsin driver license expiring no earlier than 11/4/2014
- ★ WI DOT-issued photo ID card expiring no earlier than 11/4/2014
- ★ U.S. passport expiring no earlier than 11/4/2014
- ★ Unexpired Wisconsin driver license or state ID receipt
- ★ Certificate of naturalization issued within last 2 years

Absentee Ballot Requests

Unless you are on the permanent absentee list or are in a nursing home or care facility, the Clerk's Office will need to have a photocopy of your ID on file before it can send you an absentee ballot. The copy does not need to be printed in color.

Hospitalized Voters

Hospitalized voters may appoint an agent to pick up their ballot from their Municipal Clerk's Office. The agent needs to bring the hospitalized voter's photo ID to the Clerk's Office. Call your Municipal Clerk's office for more information.

In-Person Absentee Voting

Absentee voters casting a ballot in the Municipal Clerk's Office must present a photo ID just as they would if they were voting at the polls.

Provisional Ballots

Voters unable to provide an acceptable form of photo ID on Election Day will become provisional voters.

Provisional ballots are not counted

unless the voter provides the Municipal Clerk's Office with an acceptable photo ID by 4 p.m. the Friday after the election.

Obtaining a Wisconsin ID

If you are eligible to vote but do not have a Wisconsin license or ID card, you may obtain a **free** ID for voting. You will need to check a box on the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) application to indicate that you need the ID for voting. For more information, see www.dot.wisconsin.gov/drivers/drivers/apply/idcard.htm.

You may need to provide a certified birth certificate or passport in order to obtain your free ID. If you have changed your name since birth, you will need to provide proof of your legal name change.

Dane County Fees Waived

If you were born in Dane County and need to obtain your certified birth certificate to apply for a Wisconsin ID in order to vote, the Dane County Register of Deeds will waive the fee for your birth certificate. You will need to show the Register of Deeds two documents with your name and address, or you will need to bring along a family member who has photo ID and will corroborate for you.

Unavailable Documentation

Rather than pay a fee for the documentation required for a free Wisconsin ID, you may petition the DMV to verify your identity with a state or federal agency. You must include your Social Security Number on your petition. For details, visit:

<http://www.dot.wisconsin.gov/drivers/drivers/apply/petition-process.htm>. File the petition as soon as possible. The DMV will try to complete verification within ten business days, but the process may take longer.

When to Visit the DMV

For the shortest lines, visit the DMV mid-morning or mid-afternoon and try to avoid Mondays, Fridays, and the beginning and end of each month.

ID customers are given priority service at the DMV. Although wait times vary by location and day, the DMV reports that 70% of customers wait in line less than 20 minutes. Everyone who is in the office at closing time will be served.

DMV locations and hours

Madison East DMV service center

2001 Bartillon Drive
8:30 – 4:45 Monday – Friday
Madison Metro bus route 6 via MATC, route 20, or route 34.
www.mymetrobus.com

Madison West DMV service center

4802 Sheboygan Avenue
8:30 – 4:45 Monday – Friday
Madison Metro bus routes 2, 8, 10, 12, 15, 28, 37, 57, and 57.
www.mymetrobus.com