

Voter ID Requirements for In-Person Voting

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Background

In a majority of states, voters show some form of identification when casting their ballot inperson. States that do not require some form of ID typically ask for a signature or other identifying information to confirm the voter's eligibility. Our scoring gives negative points to states that have unnecessarily strict identification requirements or procedures in place that create barriers for eligible voters who may not be able to obtain a specific form of required ID. These overly strict procedures usually require very limited forms of ID and/or burdensome additional steps to be taken by the voter after Election Day to ensure their vote is counted. These laws do not apply to mail/absentee voting, or first-time voters who did not provide ID when registering to vote by mail. For more information please contact your local election official

Scoring

- No ID required, but voter eligibility is verified through other means, 1 point
- Non-strict, non-photo ID (ID requested, but voter can cast regular ballot without), 1 point.
- Non-strict, photo ID (ID requested, but voter can cast regular ballot without), ½ point
- Strict, non-photo ID (ID required, voter cannot cast regular ballot without), -1/2 point
- Strict photo ID (ID required, voter cannot cast regular ballot without), -1 point



Summary Table

Catagory	Number	List
Category	Number	
		California D.C.
		Hawaii
		Illinois
No ID required,		Maine
but voter		Maryland
eligibility is	14 states &	Massachusetts
verified	D.C.	Minnesota
through other	D.C.	Nevada
means		New Jersey
lilealis		New Mexico
		New York
		Oregon
		Pennsylvania
		Vermont
		Alaska
		Colorado
		Connecticut
		Delaware
		Virginia
		Washington
		West Virginia
		Trest triginia
Non-strict,	7	
non-photo ID	7 states	
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		Florida
		Idaho
		Kentucky
		Louisiana
		Michigan
		Montana
Non-strict,	13 states	Nebraska
photo ID		North Carolina
		Oklahoma
		Rhode Island
		South Carolina
		South Dakota
		Texas



Strict, non- photo ID	4 states	Arizona Iowa North Dakota Utah
Strict photo ID	12 states	Alabama Arkansas Georgia Indiana Kansas Mississippi Missouri New Hampshire Ohio Tennessee Wisconsin Wyoming

State-by-State Sources and More Detail

Alabama (-1)

- Strict photo ID (Ala. Code § 17-9-30).
- Note: MAP categorizes Alabama as a strict photo ID state despite narrow exceptions that may allow some voters to cast a ballot without required ID.

Alaska (1)

• Non-strict, non-photo ID (Alaska Stat. § 15.15.225).

Arizona (-1/2)

• Strict, non-photo ID (Ariz. Rev. Stat. § 16-579).

Arkansas (-1)

• Strict photo ID (Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 51, § 13; Arkansas Code § 7-1-101 et seq.).

California (1)

• No document required, but voter eligibility is verified through other means. Voters must state their name and address to poll worker (Cal. Elec. Code §14216).

Colorado (1)

Non-strict, non-photo ID (<u>Colo. Rev. Stat. §§ 1-7-110</u>, <u>1-1-104</u>).



Connecticut (1)

• Non-strict, non-photo ID (Conn. Gen. Stat. § 9-261).

Delaware (1)

Non-strict, non-photo ID (<u>Del. Code tit. 15, § 4937</u>).

D.C. (1)

• No ID required, but voter eligibility is verified through other means. Voters must state their name and sign the poll book (D.C. Mun. Regs. § 3-700).

Florida (1/2)

• Non-strict, photo ID (Fla. Stat. § 101.043).

Georgia (-1)

• Strict photo ID (Ga. Code Ann. § 21-2-417).

Hawaii (1)

• No ID required, but voter eligibility is verified through other means. No additional steps to cast a ballot if voter does not have requested ID (<u>Haw. Rev. Stat. § 11-136</u>).

Idaho (1/2)

• Non-strict, photo ID (<u>Idaho Code §§ 34-1113</u>, <u>34-1114</u>).

Illinois (1)

 No ID required, but voter eligibility is verified through other means. Voters must state their name and may be requested to sign an affidavit of eligibility (<u>10 III. Comp. Stat. 5/17-9</u>).

Indiana (-1)

• Strict photo ID (Ind. Code §§ 3-5-2-40.5, 3-10-1-7.2, 3-11-8-25.1).

Iowa (-1/2)

• Strict, non-photo ID (<u>lowa Code §§ 49.78, 48A.7A, 48A.10A, 49.81</u>).

Kansas (-1)

• Strict photo ID (Kan. Stat. Ann. § 25-2908).

Kentucky (1/2)

• Non-strict, photo ID (Ky. Rev. Stat. Ann. §§ 117.375, 117.227).

Louisiana (1/2)

• Non-strict, photo ID (<u>La. Stat. Ann. § 18:562</u>).



Maine (1)

• No ID required, but voter eligibility is verified through other means. Voter must state their name and may be requested to state their address (Me. Stat. tit. 21-A, §671).

Maryland (1)

• No ID required, but voter eligibility is verified through other means. Voter must state their date of birth and may be required to state their address (Md. Code Ann., Elec. Law § 10-310).

Massachusetts (1)

• No ID required, but voter eligibility is verified through other means. Voter must their name and address if requested (Mass. Gen. Laws Ch. 54, § 76).

Michigan (1/2)

Non-strict, photo ID (<u>Mich. Comp. Laws § 168.523</u>).

Minnesota (1)

No ID required, but voter eligibility is verified through other means. Voter must sign the polling
place roster and state their personal information if requested (Minn. Stat. § 204C.10).

Mississippi (-1)

Strict photo ID (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-563).

Missouri (-1)

Strict photo ID (<u>Mo. Rev. Stat. § 115.427</u>).

Montana (1/2)

• Non-strict, photo ID (Mont. Code Ann. § 13-13-114).

Nebraska (1/2)

 Non-strict, photo ID. Voter can execute reasonable impediment statement under a range of exceptions if lacking ID (Neb. Rev. Stat. § 32-913).

Nevada (1)

• No ID required, but voter eligibility is verified through other means. Voter must provide their name and an affirmation (Nev. Rev. Stat. § 293.277).

New Hampshire (-1)

Strict photo ID (NH HB 1569 (2024)).



New Jersey (1)

• No ID required, but voter eligibility is verified through other means. Voter must sign the poll book (N.J. Stat. Ann. § 19:15-17).

New Mexico (1)

• No ID required, but voter eligibility is verified through other means. Voter must confirm personal information (N.M. Stat. Ann. §§ 1-1-24, 1-12-7.1, 1-12-10, and 1-12-4.1).

New York (1)

• No ID required, but voter eligibility is verified through other means. Voter must sign the poll book (N.Y. Elec. Law § 8-304).

North Carolina (1/2)

• Non-strict, photo ID. Voter can execute a reasonable impediment statement under a range of exceptions if they do not have ID. (N.C. Gen. Stat. § 163-166.16).

North Dakota (-1/2)

• Non-strict, photo ID (N.D. Cent. Code § 16.1-01).

Ohio (-1)

Strict photo ID (Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 3503.19).

Oklahoma (1/2)

Non-strict, photo ID (<u>Okla. Stat. tit. 26, § 7-114</u>).

Oregon (1)

No ID required, but voter eligibility is verified through other means (Or. Rev. Stat. § 254.470).

Pennsylvania (1)

• No ID required, but voter eligibility is verified through other means. Voters must sign an affidavit and provide their address (<u>Penn. Elect. Code §1.3.1210</u>).

Rhode Island (1/2)

• Non-strict, photo ID (<u>17 R.I. Gen. Laws § 17-19-24.2</u>).

South Carolina (1/2)

Non-strict, photo ID (<u>S.C. Code Ann. § 7-13-710</u>).



South Dakota (1/2)

• Non-strict, photo ID (S.D. Codified Laws § 12-18-6.1).

Tennessee (-1)

• Strict photo ID (Tenn. Code Ann. § 2-7-112).

Texas (1/2)

• Non-strict, photo ID (<u>Tex. Elec. Code Ann. §§ 63.001, 63.0101</u>).

Utah (-1/2)

• Strict, non-photo ID (<u>Utah Code Ann. § 20A-1-102</u>).

Vermont (1)

• No ID required, but voter eligibility is verified through other means. Voter must state their name and address if requested (Vt. Stat. Ann. tit. 17, § 2563).

Virginia (1)

Non-strict, non-photo ID (<u>Va. Code Ann. § 24.2-643</u>).

Washington (1)

• Non-strict, non-photo ID (Wash. Rev. Code § 29A.40.160).

West Virginia (1)

Non-strict, non-photo ID (<u>W. Va. Code § 3-1-34</u>).

Wisconsin (-1)

• Strict photo ID (Wis. Stat. § 6.79).

Wyoming (-1)

- Strict photo ID (Wyo. Stat. Ann. § 22-1-102).
- Note: MAP categorizes this state as a strict photo ID state despite a narrow exception which allows some voters to use Medicare cards as acceptable ID

Democracy Map & Additional Resources

- See our Democracy Map, Voter ID Requirements, which is updated in real time
- See MAP's report, <u>The ID Divide: How Barriers to ID Impact Different Communities and Affect Everyone</u>