

# VOTER'S BILL OF RIGHTS

Section 101.031 (2) Florida Statutes

Each registered voter in this state has the right to:

1. Vote and have his or her vote accurately counted.
2. Cast a vote if he or she is in line at the official closing of the polls in that county.
3. Ask for and receive assistance in voting.
4. Receive up to two replacement ballots if he or she makes a mistake prior to the ballot being cast.
5. An explanation if his or her registration or identity is in question.
6. If his or her registration or identity is in question, cast a provisional ballot.
7. Written instructions to use when voting, and, upon request, oral instructions in voting from elections officers.
8. Vote free from coercion or intimidation by elections officers or any other person.
9. Vote on a voting system that is in working condition and that will allow votes to be accurately cast.

## VOTERS RESPONSIBILITIES

Each registered voter in this state should:

1. Familiarize himself or herself with the candidates and issues.
2. Maintain with the office of the Supervisor of Elections a current address.
3. Know the location of his or her polling place and its hours of operation.
4. Bring proper identification to the polling station.
5. Familiarize himself or herself with the operation of the voting equipment in his or her precinct.
6. Treat precinct workers with courtesy.
7. Respect the privacy of other voters.
8. Report any problems or violations of election laws to the Supervisor of Elections.
9. Ask questions, if needed.
10. Make sure that his or her completed ballot is correct before leaving the polling station.

NOTE TO VOTER: Failure to perform any of these responsibilities does not prohibit a voter from voting.



### Image Cast Tabulator Optical Scan Voting System

To vote, fill in the OVAL next to the candidate or issue using only the pen that is provided in the booth. If you make a mistake, please ask for a new ballot. Florida law allows the voter to have up to two replacement ballots. This equipment is Accessible to Voters with Disabilities.

### 2024 ELECTION SCHEDULE

Presidential Preference Primary- March 19, 2024

*Voter Registration Deadline: February 20, 2024*

*Early Voting: begins 10 days prior to Primary Election*

*Early Voting Dates: March 9 – March 16, 2024, 10:00 am-6:00 pm*

Primary Election - August 20, 2024

*Voter Registration Deadline: July 22, 2024*

*Early Voting: begins 10 days prior to Primary Election*

*Early Voting Dates: August 10, 2024 – August 17, 2024, 10:00 am- 6:00 pm*

General Election - November 5, 2024

*Voter Registration Deadline: October 7, 2024*

*Early Voting: begins 15 days prior to General Election*

*October 21, 2024 – November 3, 2024, 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.*

*Last Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> \*Open for voting: 7:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.\**

### Early Voting Locations

Renaissance Business Park (Formerly Orange Blossom Business Center - 4132 Okeechobee Road, Ft. Pierce

Zora Neale Hurston Library - 3008 Avenue D, Ft. Pierce

MIDFLORIDA Credit Union Event Center (Formerly Port St. Lucie Civic Center)- 9221 SE Event Center Place, Port St. Lucie

Port St. Lucie Community Center - 2195 SE Airoso Boulevard, Port St. Lucie

Paula A. Lewis Library – 2950 SW Rosser Blvd., Port St. Lucie

Indian River State College Veterans Center of Excellence  
500 NW California Blvd, Port St. Lucie

*\*Dates are subject to change by Legislative or Executive action Please verify by visiting [slections.com](http://slections.com) or by calling our office at 772-462-1500*

### OFFICES TO BE ELECTED IN 2024

President/Vice President

U.S. Senator

U.S Representative to Congress

State Representatives

County Commissioners

Clerk of Court

Property Appraiser

Sheriff

Supervisor of Elections

Tax Collector

St. Lucie County School Board

County Judges

City of Fort Pierce Commissioners

City of Port St. Lucie City Council

# St. Lucie County Voter Information Guide

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## HOW TO REGISTER

The requirements to vote are: you must be a U.S. citizen, a permanent resident of St. Lucie County, 18 years old, you have not been convicted of a felony or adjudged mentally incompetent, or if so, have had your rights to vote restored. You may pre-register at 16 or 17 but cannot vote until you are 18.

## REGISTER TO VOTE ONLINE ANYTIME

You can register to vote or update your voter registration information online from any computer or handheld device.

To register visit: [www.scelections.com](http://www.scelections.com) and complete the online Florida Voter Registration application and print your receipt. You must have a Florida Driver's License or Florida State ID number along with the last four digits of your Social Security Number to register online.

You may also obtain a Florida Voter Registration Application by phone 772-462-1500 or visit our website at [scelections.com](http://scelections.com). You may also register when you apply for or renew your Florida driver's license.

## VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE

You may register at any time; however, the deadline for voter registration and party changes is 29 days before an election. Any registrations or party changes received after the voter registration deadline will be processed and a voter information card mailed to you after that election.

## REPLACING YOUR VOTER INFORMATION CARD

To replace a lost or stolen card, submit a Florida Voter Registration Application to the Supervisor of Elections office. Your new voter information card will be mailed to you. Replacement voter information cards are mailed when there is a change in polling place or precinct.

## KEEP YOUR NAME AND SIGNATURE CURRENT

The signature on your voter registration record is used to verify signatures on vote-by-mail ballots, provisional ballots, and petitions. These documents will not be valid if your signature does not match the signature on your voter registration record. To update your name and/or signature, submit a Voter Registration Application to the Supervisor of Elections office. You may print a Voter Registration Application online and return it via mail to our office.

## KEEP YOUR ADDRESS CURRENT

It is important to keep your address information up-to-date. Address changes within the county or within the State of Florida may be reported to the Supervisor of Election's Office in person, by mail, by telephone, by fax, by email, by Florida Driver's License number, by Florida ID card number, by last four digits of your Social Security number, online or by completing a Florida Voter Registration Application. Your residence address is used to determine the correct ballot for you in an election. You must vote in the precinct assigned to your residence.

## KEEP YOUR POLITICAL PARTY CURRENT

**Florida is a Closed Primary State.** To vote in a Primary Election for partisan candidates, you must be a registered voter in the party for which a primary is being held. At least 29 days prior to any Primary Election, please verify your political party on your Voter Information Card. You may change your political party online or at any of our office locations on a Florida Voter Registration Application prior to book closing. Regardless of party affiliation, all registered voters can vote on issues and in nonpartisan contests, such as Judges, School Board Members, City of Fort Pierce and City of Port St. Lucie in Primary Elections.

## UNIVERSAL PRIMARY

All registered voters are allowed to vote in a contest when there will be no opposing party candidates on the General Election ballot.

## WHERE TO VOTE

Your voter information card has your polling place, Precinct number, address, Congressional, State House and State Senate Districts in which you live. To find your polling place prior to Election Day visit our website at [www.scelections.com](http://www.scelections.com), then click on "Where Do I Vote" for directions.

## VOTING AT THE POLLS ON ELECTION DAY

The polls are open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Election Day. Voters will be asked to show photo and signature identification such as: Florida Driver's License, Florida ID card, U.S. Passport, Military ID, Student ID, Debit or Credit card, Retirement Center ID, Neighborhood Association ID, Public Assistance ID, VA Health ID, Concealed Weapons ID, or Government ID.

## EARLY VOTING

Early voting begins (10) ten days prior to a Primary Election and may begin (15) fifteen days prior to a General Election and is available to voters that prefer to vote prior to Election Day. Contact the Supervisor of Elections Office, 462-1500, for hours and locations or log on to our website at [www.scelections.com](http://www.scelections.com). To vote early, you must present photo and signature identification.

## VOTING BY MAIL

Every registered voter is eligible to vote by mail. You may request a vote-by-mail ballot to be mailed to residential address in person, by mail, by telephone, by fax, by email or at [www.scelections.com](http://www.scelections.com). If you want your ballot to be mailed to an address other than your residential address, your request must be made in writing and must include your signature, Florida Driver's License number, Florida ID card number **or** last four digits of your Social Security number and date of birth. You may request a Vote-by-Mail Ballot for one or all elections through the current election cycle. Ballots are mailed approximately 40 days prior to each election. Ballots must be returned to the Supervisor of Elections Main Office, 4132 Okeechobee Road, Fort Pierce, no later than 7:00 p.m. on Election Day (Do Not return your Vote-by-Mail Ballot to the polling place).

## PROVISIONAL BALLOT

Voters without identification or whose eligibility cannot be determined, have the right to vote a provisional ballot in the precinct assigned to the voter's residence address before leaving the polling location.

## ASSISTANCE IN VOTING

Voters who need assistance in voting, may designate someone of his or her own choice other than an employer, or an officer or agent of the person's union, to provide such assistance. Election officials may also provide assistance. The elector needing assistance is required to take an oath: Declaration to Secure Assistance.

## SAMPLE BALLOTS

Sample ballots are mailed prior to the 1st day of early voting. Sample ballots are also available to print online on our website at: [www.scelections.com](http://www.scelections.com) or by calling our office at 772-462-1500.