

# Get out the vote in **South Carolina**

**Election Day: November 3**

## Why should you vote?

Voting is one of the most powerful ways to make your voice heard in our democracy, but in 2016, 43% of the eligible voting-age population (nearly 100 million Americans) did *not* cast a vote for president; and 38.6% did *not* vote for any office.

In 2016, the Black voter turnout rate declined for the first time in 20 years in a presidential election, falling from a record-high 66.6% in 2012 to 59.6% in 2016.

## South Carolina's absentee and mail-in voting procedures

### Permanent absentee / mail-in voting procedures:

- Excuse required to request an absentee ballot

### 2020 state absentee / mail-in voting status:

- Coronavirus updates: Prepaid postage provided for all returned ballots in the November 3, 2020, general election.



## Deadlines to know for voting in South Carolina

### Voter registration deadline:

**October 4, 2020**

Thirty days before an election.

### Absentee / Mail-In voting ballot deadlines:

Request must be received by

**October 30, 2020**

Four days before the election

### Ballot submission deadline:

Received by 7:00 pm on November 3, 2020 (Election Day).

## Voter ID Requirements

### Current photo ID:

- SC Driver's License or DMV ID card
- US Passport
- Military ID issued by federal government
- SC Voter Registration card

If you cannot obtain a valid ID because of a "reasonable impediment," you can list such impediment; present your current, non-photo registration card; and sign an affidavit so your provisional ballot will count.



## How can you register to vote in South Carolina?

To register to vote, visit

<https://blackeconomicalliance.org/register-to-vote/>



**Register**

For more information on voter eligibility you can also visit the State Board of Elections website.

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## Verify Your Registration



**Verify**

## State Election Office

<https://www.scvotes.org>