

TIPS FOR VOTERS: GETTING HELP VOTING AND INDEPENDENT VOTING

1. If you are under a guardianship you still have the right to vote unless your guardianship court order says that the court has taken away your right to vote.
2. If you can't get into your polling place, you can register and vote from your vehicle. Ask the head election judge to find two election judges to come outside to help you.
3. If you cannot sign your name, you have the right to tell the election judge who you are and tell another person to sign your name for you on the roster.
4. You have the right to ask for help voting. For example, you can ask an election judge, a friend, family, guardian, or a staff person who works with you, for help.
5. Any person you choose can go with you into the voting booth except an agent of your employer or union, or a candidate.
6. You can ask someone to mark your ballot for you. It is against the law for them to mark the ballot for you if you cannot communicate to them who you want to vote for.
7. You have the right to take a sample ballot into the voting booth with you.
8. It is against the law for anyone in the polling place to try to influence your vote. It is your vote, and your choice!

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HELPFUL INFO FOR VOTERS WITH DISABILITIES (TAKE THIS TO THE POLLS)

1. To fix a problem at the polls, before you leave the polling place
 - a. Talk to the head election judge, and if they can't fix it, ask them to contact a county or city election official. If that doesn't work,
 - b. Contact the Minnesota Disability Law Center Voter Hotline at 612-334-5970 or 1-800-292-4150 or TDD/TTY: 612-332-4668
Email: <mailto:mndlc@mylegalaid.org> or
 - c. Contact Election Protection at 1-866-OUR-VOTE (1-866-687-8683)
 - d. File a written complaint at your polling place.
2. If you are pre-registered, you don't need to bring ID to the polls. You have the right to register to vote and to vote on Election Day if you can provide the required proof of residence and identity. Check the Secretary of State's website (www.mnvotes.org) to see what you will need to register on Election Day. If you live in a residential facility, an employee of the facility may vouch for you.
3. If you can't get into your polling place, you can register and vote from your vehicle. Ask the head judge to find two election judges to come outside to help you.
4. If you are under a guardianship you still have the right to vote UNLESS your guardianship order says that the court has taken away your right to vote.
5. If someone challenges your right to vote, the election judge must
 - a. Put you under oath and have you swear to tell the truth;
 - b. Ask you whether you are under a court ordered guardianship where the court took away your right to vote;
 - c. If you answer that you are eligible to vote, you MUST be allowed to vote.
6. If you cannot sign your name, you have the right to tell the election judge who you are and tell another person to sign your name for you on the roster.
7. You have the right to ask for help voting. Any person you choose can go with you into the voting booth except an agent of your employer or union, or a candidate.

8. It is against the law for anyone in the polling place to try to influence your vote.
9. You can ask someone to mark your ballot for you. It is against the law for them to mark the ballot for you if you cannot communicate to them who you want to vote for.
10. You have the right to take a sample ballot into the voting booth with you.
11. If you make a mistake and spoil your ballot before you submit it, tell an election judge that you need a new ballot and then vote on the new ballot.

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