

Ready, Set, Vote!



Voter Registration

- Eligible residents (British, Commonwealth and EU citizens) can register to vote from 16 years old (but can only vote when they turn 18). See online for more <u>information about eligibility</u>.
- Registering to vote is a legal requirement, but can also improve your credit score, and being on the register can be helpful in renting/applying for a mortgage.
- Registering to vote can be <u>done online</u> (which usually takes around 5 minutes), or <u>by post</u>.



Changes to Voting

- Voters will now need to show photo ID to receive a ballot paper when they go to vote at a polling station.
- The government has published a list of <u>accepted forms of</u> <u>photo ID.</u>
- Alternatively, voters can apply for a free Voter Authority Certificate (VAC), <u>online</u> or <u>by post</u>. The application uses National Insurance numbers and a passport-style photograph.
- The Voter ID requirement applies to everyone voting at a polling station at <u>all</u> elections in England.



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Making elections accessible

- The electoral process is being made more accessible to all. This includes:
 - More information is available to help people understand the electoral process
 - Polling stations have more equipment to allow voters to vote independently and in secret



Postal and Proxy Voting

Also known as absent voting

✓ Voters can now apply for their absent vote <u>online</u> as well as by post.



Upcoming Elections

- Greater London Authority (GLA) and London Mayoral Elections in May 2024
 - The plan as it stands is for these to be 'standalone' but there is also potential for it to be combined with a General Election.
- General election by no later than January 2025

