

# Voter's Rights and Responsibilities . . . . .

## As an Iowa elector, you have the right to:

1. Ask questions.
2. Request a ballot and vote if you are:
  - Registered to vote
  - 18 years of age or older
  - A resident of Iowa
  - A United States citizen
3. Review a sample ballot before voting.
4. Vote in an accessible voting place.

*Virtually all Iowa precincts are accessible. However, if you cannot get inside the polling place because it is not accessible, two precinct workers will bring a ballot to your vehicle. They may also help you mark the ballot, but only if you ask them. You may want to call ahead or bring someone with you to tell the precinct workers that you need to vote in your car.*

5. Mark your ballot privately and free from coercion or intimidation.
6. Receive assistance with voting in a polling place, if needed.

*If you need help marking your ballot because of a disability, literacy or language barrier, any person you choose may help you except your employer or your employer's agent or an officer or agent of your union. If you want help from the precinct workers, one person from each political party will help you. If precinct workers assisted you, you will need to sign a form showing you requested help.*

7. Vote a provisional ballot if your name is not on the voter registration list or if there is another question about your qualifications to vote.
8. Receive a ballot if you are in line at the time the polls close. Polls close at 9 p.m. for Primary and General elections and 8 p.m. for most other elections.
9. Request a new ballot if you made a mistake and have not already cast your ballot. You may receive up to 3 ballots before casting your ballot.
10. Have your ballot count if it is cast legally and timely.

## As an Iowa elector, you have the responsibility to:

1. Register to vote at least 10 days before the election, or bring proper identification to register to vote at the polls.
2. Vote in the polling place for the precinct where you live.
3. Respect the privacy and voting rights of others.
4. Treat election workers and other voters with courtesy and respect.
5. Have a form of identification with you when you go to the polls.
6. Read and follow instructions.
7. Ask for assistance if you need it.
8. Be informed about the candidates and issues on the ballot.
9. Follow all federal and state voting laws.
10. Review your ballot before casting it to ensure it is complete and correct.

... for more information contact your county auditor

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