Voter 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. Treat precinct workers with courtesy.
6. Respect the privacy of other voters.
7. Report any problems or violations of election laws to the supervisor of elections.
8. Ask questions, if needed.
9. Make sure that his or her completed ballot is correct before leaving the polling station.

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

Voter’s Bill of Rights

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.

Early Voting Sites for County Elections:

Supervisor of Elections Offices:

- 530 Whitehead St., #101, Key West
- 10015 Overseas Hwy., Marathon
- 102050 Overseas Hwy., #137, Key Largo

- Big Pine Key Community Park
  End of Sands Rd.
  31009 Atlantis Dr.
- Islamorada Branch Library
  81830 Overseas Hwy. MM 81.8
  Islamorada

Presidential Preference Primary
March 17, 2020
Last date to register to vote or change party affiliation before the Presidential Preference Primary is February 18, 2020
Early voting starts March 2, 2020
last day March 14, 2020

Primary
August 18, 2020
Last date to register to vote or change party affiliation before the Primary is July 20, 2020
Early voting starts August 3, 2020
last day August 15, 2020

General
November 3, 2020
Last date to register to vote or change party affiliation before the General is October 5, 2020
Early voting starts October 19, 2020
last day October 31, 2020

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Marathon, FL 33050-9701
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Key Largo, FL 33037-9700
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HOW TO REGISTER

• Complete all required blocks (per instructions) on the Florida Voter Registration Application.
• Applications are available at the elections offices, public assistance offices, libraries, Department of Motor Vehicles, or a printable version may be obtained through our website www.KeysElections.org.
• Those with a FL Driver’s License or FL ID card may register online. www.KeysElections.org

REGISTER BY MAIL

• Applications may be mailed or delivered to the Supervisor of Elections Office at least 29 days before each election.
• If you are registering for the first time in Florida and are mailing your application, you must submit a copy of a valid and current Florida I.D., unless one of the following exemptions apply:
  • You are 65 years or older.
  • You have a permanent or temporary disability.
  • You are active duty military or Merchant Marine and are absent from the county on Election Day or are a spouse or a dependent of a member of the armed services or Merchant Marine and are absent from the county on Election Day.

CHANGES IN YOUR REGISTRATION

• It is the responsibility of the voter to keep his or her address current with the Supervisor of Elections Office. If you move to another state, you must register with that state.
• Be sure to notify the Supervisor of Elections Office of name change, an address change, or if you would like to change your party affiliation.
• It is critical to keep your signature updated. If your current signature does not match the signature on file, your vote by mail ballot(s) and/or petition(s) will be rejected.

WHERE TO VOTE

Your polling location is listed on your Voter Information Card or may be obtained through our website at www.KeysElections.org.

HOW TO VOTE

After the ballot is marked, the voter feeds paper ballot into the tabulator which reads and tabulates the ballot. Below is an example of how to correctly mark the ballot.

Precinct/Vote By Mail Ballot Marking Example:

Correct

1. Voter inserts paper ballot into the tabulating system.
2. Voter makes selection using tabulator accessories.
3. Voter casts the ballot.

CLOSED PRIMARY

• Florida is a closed primary state.
• In the Primary Election, you will be able to vote only for the candidates whose party affiliation is the same as yours and for non-partisan races. Non-partisan voters vote on issues and non-partisan candidates.
• If a partisan race will be decided in the primary, everyone will vote in that race. This is known as a “Universal Primary Contest.”

IMPORTANT

You must update any address changes with this office. Vote by mail ballots cannot be forwarded. If they are returned as undeliverable, all subsequent requests will be cancelled.