# WHO CAN VOTE

#### Can I vote in Arizona?

- You can vote in the November 2 election if you're registered to vote by Monday, October 4, at midnight.
- You can register if you meet all of the following qualifications: (1) you're a U.S. citizen;
  - (2) you're an Arizona resident;
  - (3) you'll be at least 18 years old on Election Day;
  - (4) you haven't been declared by a court to be incapacitated; and
  - (5) you haven't had your civil rights revoked.

#### What if I'm a student?

■ You can register to vote at whatever address you regard as your primary legal residence. This can be your school address or your home address.

# What if I've been convicted of a crime?

- If you were convicted of a misdemeanor in Arizona, you can vote, but you have to vote by absentee ballot if you're still in jail.
- If you have a first time, single-count Arizona or federal felony conviction, you can vote when you've completed your probation or when you've received an unconditional discharge from prison as long as you've paid all court-ordered fines.
- If you have multiple felony convictions and served time in a state correctional facility, you can't vote until your sentencing court has restored your voting rights.
- For more information on applying for rights restoration in Arizona visit http://acluaz.org/rights\_restoration.html.

# What if I've moved or changed my name?

- You have to re-register every time you move or change your name.
- If you moved outside the county before Monday, October 4, and didn't re- register, you won't be able to vote in the November 2 election.
- If you moved before October 4 within the same county without registering, call your local county recorder to find out where you should appear to correct your information and vote a provisional ballot on Election Day.
- If you moved after October 4, call your local county recorder to find out where you should appear to vote.
- If you haven't re-registered with your new name, you can update your information on Election Day by casting a provisional ballot.

#### How do I know if I'm registered?

■ You can call your local county recorder or visit their website. You can also check your registration status online at https://voter.azsos.gov/voterview.

# **VOTING EARLY**

# Can I vote before Election Day?

Yes. Any registered voter can vote by early ballot.

## How do I get an early ballot?

- You have to submit a written or verbal request to your county recorder no later than 5 p.m. on October 22.
- Or, you can go to an on-site early voting location by 5 p.m. on Friday, October 29, to receive a ballot and vote. Call your county recorder or visit their website to find the hours and location of an early voting location near you.

# How do I vote by early ballot?

- You can cast your early ballot:
  - (1) **in person**, by visiting your county recorder or an on-site early voting location; or
- (2) **by mail**, by receiving a ballot by mail and returning it to the county recorder either by mail or by dropping it off at any early voting location or polling place by 7 p.m. on Election Day.

# What's the deadline for returning my early ballot by mail?

■ To be counted, your early ballot must be **received** by 7 p.m. on Election Day. On Election Day, you can return your ballot to any polling place in your county.

# **VOTING ON ELECTION DAY**

# When is Election Day?

■ Tuesday, November 2, 2010.

#### When are the polls open?

■ Polls will be open from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. You have the right to vote if you're in line when the polls close. Ariz. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 16-565

# Where do I vote?

- On Election Day, you have to vote at the polling place to which you're assigned.
- Your assigned place will be printed on the sample ballot that you will receive before the election.
- If your polling place changes after the mailing of the sample ballot, you'll receive a postcard directing you to the new location.
- You can also find your polling place online at https://voter.azsos.gov/voterview.

# What if my polling place is not accessible?

If you find this out before Election Day, call your county recorder right away and ask for an accommodation. You have the right to an accessible polling place and an accessible voting machine. Or, if you prefer, you can vote by mail or at an early voting location.

- On Election Day, you can send someone into the polling place to request curbside voting on your behalf. Poll workers will bring a ballot or voting machine outside so you can vote without entering the polling place.
- You can also bring one or more people to assist you. You have the right to have anyone you choose assist you as long as the person is not a candidate on the ballot, your employer, an agent of your employer, or an officer or agent of your labor union. Ariz. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 16-580

### Can I get a ballot in my native language?

- Some counties in Arizona are required to provide language assistance in Apache, Navajo, Pueblo, Spanish, Tohono O'Odham, Yaqui or Yuman. Poll workers in places where language assistance is required should offer this assistance to you. If they don't, tell a poll worker that you want assistance in one of these languages. You're entitled to a translation of all ballots and other election materials.
- Even if language assistance isn't available where you vote, you have the right to bring an interpreter with you to the polls or to get assistance in your language from anyone you choose, including a poll worker, as long as the person is not a candidate on the ballot, your employer, an agent of your employer, or an officer or agent of your labor union.

### What if I need help in the voting booth?

- If you need help in the voting booth, you can be accompanied and assisted by a person of your own choice or two election officials, one from each major political party. You have the right to have anyone you choose assist you in the voting booth, as long as the person is not a candidate on the ballot, your employer, an agent of your employer, or an officer or agent of your labor union. Ariz. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 16-580
- If you need instructions on how to use the voting equipment, ask a poll worker for help. Poll workers are required to help you at any time you ask—even after you have entered the voting booth. Ariz. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 16-578

# **VOTER ID**

# Do I have to show ID?

■Yes. State law requires all voters to show either one photo ID with your name and address from List One, two non-photo IDs with your name and address from List Two, or one form of acceptable photo identification with one form of non-photo identification with your name and address from List Three.

## What are the accepted forms of ID?

■ List One: an unexpired Arizona driver license, unexpired Arizona non-operating identification license, tribal enrollment card or other form of tribal identification, unexpired United States federal, state or local government issued identification.

- List Two: a recent utility bill, a recent bank or credit union statement, an unexpired Arizona Vehicle Registration, Indian census card, property tax statement of your residence, tribal enrollment card or other form of tribal identification, Arizona vehicle insurance card, Recorder's Certificate, unexpired United States federal, state or local government issued identification, including a voter registration card issued by the county recorder, or any mailing to the elector marked "Official Election Material."
- List Three: Any valid photo identification from List 1 in which the address does not reasonably match the precinct register accompanied by a non-photo identification from List 2 in which the address does reasonably match the precinct register; U.S. Passport without address and one valid item from List 2; U.S. Military identification without address and one valid item from List 2.

# What if I don't have any ID? Or only one form of ID from List Two?

■ You can cast a provisional ballot, but that ballot won't be counted unless you bring the required ID to your county recorder's office by 5 p.m. on the fifth business day after the election. If you have time and have ID at home or work, it's usually better to get your ID and return to the polls to cast a regular ballot.

# What if the address on my ID is different than where I currently live and am registered?

■ If the address on your ID is different than your address on the voter list, you'll be asked to vote a provisional ballot or you can provide another ID with a matching address to get a standard ballot.

# PROBLEMS AT THE POLLS

#### What if I'm not on the voter list?

- First, ask the poll worker to check the list again and to confirm that you are at the right polling place. Ask the poll worker to check the inactive voter list—you're allowed to vote if you're on this list and still living at the same address. Ariz. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 16-583(A)
- If you're at the right polling place but your name isn't on the voter list, ask for a provisional ballot. You have the right to cast a provisional ballot, even if your name is not on the voter list, as long as you're willing to swear that you believe you registered to vote. Ariz. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 16-584(B)

# What if I go to the wrong polling place?

- Go to the right polling place. You can ask a poll worker to help you find the polling place where you're registered. You can also call your county recorder or visit their website.
- If you can't figure out where you're registered, go to the polling place that you think is most likely to be the right one and ask for a provisional ballot. You have the right to cast a provisional ballot even if you're not sure that you're at the right polling place.

However, the ballot will only be counted if you are in the correct polling place.

# What if someone challenges my right to vote?

■ A voting inspector will ask you some questions and the election board will rule on the challenge. If they rule in your favor, you may vote a regular ballot. Even if they rule against you, you still have the right to cast a provisional ballot. Ariz. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 16-592

#### What if someone tries to intimidate or harass me?

■ Tell a poll worker right away. If the poll worker is the problem, tell a poll watcher, call your county recorder, or call one of the election hotline numbers listed at the end of this card.

# What if I make a mistake on my ballot or the voting machine malfunctions?

■ Tell a poll worker before you cast your vote. If you make a mistake on a paper ballot, or if a paper document produced by the machine doesn't match the selections you thought you were making when you cast your ballot, you have the right to a replacement ballot. Ariz. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 16-446(B)[7], 16-585

### How do I make a complaint?

- First, ask for the election inspector at your polling place. He or she can handle most routine complaints that arise on Election Day. Candidates, political parties, and nonprofit groups may also have poll watchers at your polling place who might be able to assist you.
- You can also call one of the election hotline numbers listed at the end of this card

# Arizona Secretary of State, Elections Division:

(602) 542-8683 or Voter Outreach at (877) THE-VOTE (877-843-8683)

U.S. Department of Justice: [800] 253-3931

ACLU Voting Rights Project: [877] 523-2792

Arizona Civil Liberties Union (AzCLU): [602] 650-1967



# ARIZONA VOTER EMPOWERMENT CARD

# 2010 ELECTIONS



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civil rights laws. The ACLU doesn't endorse or oppose any candidate or party, but we believe that no civil right is more important in our democracy than the right to vote.

This card is designed to help you protect your own right to vote. Keep it handy, and take it with you to the polls on Election Day.

#### TIPS FOR AVOIDING PROBLEMS

- Take advantage of early voting.
- Avoid the last-minute rush. Mid-morning and midafternoon are the best times.
- Bring multiple forms of identification with your name and address, and remember that identification with your name, address and photograph is preferred.
- Ask for help if you need it.
- Take your time. You have up to 5 minutes to cast your ballot. Ariz. Rev. Stat. Ann.§ 16-580(C)



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