

KNOW YOUR VOTING RIGHTS



Election Day is Tuesday, November 6, 2012 You must register to vote by Monday, October 22

QUICK TIPS FOR VOTERS

- ★ Check your voter registration status, polling location, and polling location hours by calling your county auditor or going to sdsos.gov/Elections/VIPLogin.aspx.
- ★ There are new rules for voting if you have a felony conviction. See the other side of this card for more information.
- ★ Consider voting absentee. If you plan to vote at the polls, go early in the day to avoid the last-minute rush.
- ★ If you have identification, bring it with you to the polls. This can be a tribal ID. If you don't have ID, you can still vote if you sign a sworn statement called an affidavit.

For help or more information, call 866-OUR-VOTE (866-687-8683) or go to **sdsos.gov/Elections**.

If you have problems registering or voting with a criminal conviction, call the ACLU at **605-332-2508**.

VOTING WITH A CRIMINAL RECORD

If you were convicted of a felony, there are new rules for voting.

- You CAN vote if you have finished your sentence.
- You **CAN** vote if you were sentenced to probation before July 1, 2012.
- You CANNOT vote if you were sentenced to probation on or after July 1, 2012. (This is a new rule.)
- You CANNOT vote if you are on parole.
- You CANNOT vote if you are in prison.

If you were convicted of a **misdemeanor** or you are **awaiting trial**, you **CAN** vote. If you are in jail, you have to vote by absentee ballot.

REGISTERING TO VOTE

Once you become eligible, you still have to register (or re-register) to vote! You must register to vote by Monday, October 22 to vote in the November 6, 2012 election.

You can register to vote:

- in person, at your county auditor's office or city finance office;
- when you apply for services at Driver's License Stations and state agencies that provide public assistance (like TANF, WIC and food stamps) or services to people with disabilities.
- by mail. You can get mail-in voter registration forms from your county auditor's office, military recruitment offices, most libraries, colleges and high schools, or at sdsos.gov/Elections.

To register to vote, you must provide your name, your address, and either your South Dakota driver's license number or the last four digits of your Social Security number.



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