

# 2014 EASY VOTER GUIDE

## ARE YOU READY TO VOTE?

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### Early Voting Dates:

**Primary:** Fri., Aug. 15 – Sat., Aug. 23, 2014

**General:** Thurs., Oct. 23 – Sat., Nov. 1, 2014

**PRIMARY ELECTION**  
**AUGUST 26, 2014**

**GENERAL ELECTION**  
**NOVEMBER 4, 2014**

### WHO CAN VOTE

You May Register To Vote If:

- ★ You are a U.S. Citizen.
- ★ You are 18 years-of-age. (A person who is otherwise qualified may pre-register on or after that person's 16th birthday and may vote in any election occurring on or after that person's 18th birthday.)
- ★ You are a legal resident of the Florida county in which you wish to vote.

Persons Not Entitled To Register:

- ★ Anyone convicted of a felony or declared mentally incompetent with respect to voting, may not register to vote until their civil rights or competency has been restored.
- ★ Any person who is not a citizen of the United States.

(Section 97.041, Florida Statutes)

### HOW TO REGISTER

You must fill out a voter registration application form.

**Voter registration applications are available at:**

- ★ Supervisor of Elections office
- ★ Driver's License offices
- ★ State agencies that provide public assistance
- ★ Libraries
- ★ County government offices
- ★ Call our office for an application (352) 341-6740 or (800) 655-6645
- ★ Go online to download a form: [www.votecitrus.com](http://www.votecitrus.com)

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### **CLOSED PRIMARY STATE**

#### What does it mean?

All voters, regardless of party affiliation may vote in non-partisan races and referendums. However, in a primary election, voters are limited to choosing candidates of the party they are registered.

If you register with the Republican Party, you are allowed to vote only for republican candidates.

If you register with the Democratic Party, you are allowed to vote only for democratic candidates.

If you register with a minor party or no party affiliation, you are allowed to vote for non-partisan candidates and referendums in the primary election.

#### **Universal Primary Election**

If a race is to be decided in the primary election because all of the candidates are of the same party, then all voters may vote in that race.

#### **General Election**

Every eligible voter, regardless of their party affiliation, may vote for any candidate on the ballot.

### **ELECTION DAY INFORMATION**

#### **ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF PHOTO & SIGNATURE ID**

- ★ Florida Driver's License
- ★ Florida ID
- ★ U.S. Passport
- ★ Military ID
- ★ Student ID
- ★ Retirement Center ID
- ★ Debit or Credit Card with Photo
- ★ Neighborhood Association ID
- ★ Public Assistance ID

**You must show  
a photo and a  
signature  
identification!**

### **WHEN CAN YOU REGISTER**

You can apply to register to vote at any time. However, there is a 29 day deadline prior to each election for registering to vote or for changing party affiliation. You must be registered prior to the end of the 29th day before an election.

The date your voter registration application is postmarked or hand delivered to your county Supervisor of Elections, will be your registration date. If your application is complete and you are qualified as a voter, a registration information card will be mailed to you.

When the registration books are closed for an election, address changes can be made. Voter registration and party changes will be accepted, but only for the purpose of subsequent elections.

(F.S. 97.055)

### **UPDATE YOUR VOTER RECORD**

**It's the voter's responsibility to notify the elections office if you:**

**Change your address** (moved within the county) – By phone, fax, e-mail or in writing.

**Change your address** (moved from out of county), change your name, political party or to update your signature – Fill out a voter registration application and mail it to our office, or visit any of our agencies and they will forward them to our office.

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