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### **New York State Board of Elections celebrates National Voter Registration Day**

**ALBANY, N.Y. (09/16/2025)** The New York State Board of Elections is proud to join with the state’s County Boards of Elections and election officials across the country today in celebrating National Voter Registration Day. Founded in 2012, National Voter Registration Day is a nonpartisan civic holiday dedicated to celebrating democracy and reminding Americans to register to vote in advance of upcoming elections. On this day, the State Board of Elections reaffirms its commitment to making the registration process accessible, secure, and simple for all New Yorkers.

“National Voter Registration Day serves as a powerful reminder that our democracy is strongest when every voice is heard,” stated Kristen Zebrowski Stavisky, Co-Executive Director of the State Board of Elections. “Whether you’re registering for the first time or updating your address, taking that step today ensures you’re ready to vote this fall.”

“Every eligible New Yorker should have the opportunity to make their voice count,” said Raymond J. Riley III, Co-Executive Director of the State Board of Elections. “We are proud to support this national effort and encourage New Yorkers to use this day to check their registration status, get informed, and make a plan to vote.”

To register to vote in New York State, an individual must be a U.S. citizen who is at least 18 years old and a resident of the state and county, city, or village for at least thirty days prior to the election. The individual may not be incarcerated for a felony conviction or adjudged to be mentally incompetent by a court. Lastly, the individual may not claim the right to vote elsewhere. Pre-registration is available to 16- and 17-year-olds, but they are unable to vote until they turn 18 years of age.

Eligible New Yorkers may register to vote through the State Board of Elections’ [online voter registration portal](#), in person at the County Board of Elections or any state agency designated as a National Voter Registration Act site (such as the DMV or Department of Health), or via mail. A voter can update their registration using those same methods. To check registration status, voters are encouraged to use the State Board’s [Voter Lookup application](#).

The deadline to register to vote for the November 4<sup>th</sup> General Election is **October 25, 2025**. Early Voting will occur from October 25, 2025, through November 2, 2025. Voters in New York are encouraged to contact the [State Board of Elections](#) or their local [County Boards of Elections](#) directly for information about the upcoming election and voter registration.

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