



Official Voting Information
Dual Presidential Primary
Democratic Party Primary Election & Republican Party Primary Election
Election Date: March 1, 2016

The Constitution of Virginia requires that you be registered in the precinct in which you live in order to be qualified to vote.

In order to be eligible to vote in the Dual Primary Election—Democratic Party Primary Election or Republican Party Primary Election held on **Tuesday, March 1st**, you must register no later than 5 p. m. on **Monday, February 8, 2016**. If you are already registered to vote in the City of Martinsville and there are no changes in information, it is not necessary to re-register (check your voter registration on-line at www.vote.virginia.gov).

All registered City of Martinsville voters may vote in either primary (§24.2-530). Virginia does not have “party registration”. The voter should be prepared to indicate to the pollbook officer which primary they choose to vote—Democratic or Republican; the voter will receive only one ballot—Democratic or Republican. The Republican Party of Virginia has determined a Statement of Affiliation form will be required for participating in the Republican Presidential Primary which will be provided and completed at the polling location (§24.2-545). The Code of Virginia, Section 24.2-529, specifically prohibits write-in votes in all primary elections conducted in Virginia. Reminder: bring **one** form of valid photo identification.

Office hours for the Registrar’s Office are 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and Noon to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

In Person Absentee Voting: The Registrar’s office at 55 W Church Street, Room 122, has voting machines ready for Absentee Voting. Also, this office will be open on **Saturday, February 27th** from **9 AM to 5 PM** for the convenience of registered voters who need to vote by absentee ballot for this election date. Please bring **one** of the following acceptable forms of valid photo identification:

- valid Virginia driver’s license or identification card
- valid Virginia DMV issued Veteran’s ID card
- valid United States passport
- Other government-issued photo identification cards (must be issued by US Government, the Commonwealth of Virginia, or a political subdivision of the Commonwealth)
- Tribal enrollment or other tribal ID issued by one of the 11 tribes recognized by the Commonwealth of Virginia
- valid college or university student photo identification card from an institute of higher education located in Virginia
- valid student ID issued by a public school or private school in Virginia displaying a photo
- valid employee identification card issued in the normal course of business

***Need a free Photo ID? Call 403-5122.**

Monday, February 8th: Deadline to register to vote in the March 1st Presidential Primary Election.

Tuesday, February 23rd: Deadline for Absentee Ballot application submitted to Registrar’s office for ballot by mail.

Saturday, February 27th: Deadline to vote an in person absentee ballot by qualified applicants, Rm 122.

All requests for reasonable accommodations due to a disability should be made to the Registrar with at least a 48-hour notice. **ALL** polling places are accessible to the handicapped.

You are encouraged to make application for voter registration. Should you have any questions, please call the Voter Registration Office, 403-5122, or review the website: <http://elections.virginia.gov>. Remember, a good citizen registers and votes. Take the time to exercise your right to vote on March 1st!

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www.martinsville-va.gov/Registrar.html