



1. Tell the poll manager why you don't have an acceptable photo ID.

Hi!

I don't have an acceptable photo ID because I don't have a birth certificate.

I couldn't get an acceptable photo ID because of my work schedule.

2. Give the poll manager an alternate form of ID.

Here's a copy of my bank statement.

This is my Arizona driver's license.

3. Sign a "reasonable impediment" declaration.

I am who I say I am...

...and here's why I don't have an acceptable photo ID...

4. Vote!

DEMOCRACY!

VOTE

There are many reasons for not having an acceptable photo ID, and many kinds of alternate ID. Flip this card over for more information!

For more information, visit www.votetexas.gov or call 512-463-5650 / 1-800-252-VOTE (8683)



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TEXAS PREPARED TO VOTE 2018

IF YOU POSSESS* ONE OF THE FOLLOWING TEXAS PHOTO IDS, YOU MUST BRING IT WITH YOU TO VOTE A REGULAR BALLOT:



Texas driver's license issued by the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS)



Texas personal identification card issued by DPS



United States citizenship certificate containing your photo



Texas concealed handgun license issued by DPS



United States military identification card containing your photo



Texas Election Identification Certificate issued by DPS



United States passport

Except for the U.S. citizenship certificate, the photo ID that you present must be current or expired by no more than four years.

*You do not possess one of the above photo IDs if it is lost, stolen, suspended, revoked, or expired by more than four years.

** LDF is challenging certain aspects of Texas's voter identification requirements. These materials do not represent an endorsement of those requirements or waiver of any legal claims.

Registered voters can get a "free" Election Identification Certificate with a photo from a DPS office.

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YOU CAN STILL VOTE A REGULAR BALLOT WITH NON-PHOTO ID

To vote in person by regular ballot without a photo ID based on a "reasonable impediment" or difficulty follow these four steps:

(1) **inform the poll managers** that you do not possess a photo ID and have had an obstacle to getting one. You can lack an accepted photo ID even if, for example, it was lost, stolen, suspended, revoked, or expired by more than four years;

(2) **present an alternative form of ID:**

- a valid voter registration certificate;
- a certified birth certificate (must be an original);
- a copy or original current utility bill;
- a copy or original bank statement;
- a copy or original government check;
- a copy or original paycheck; or
- a copy or original government document with your name and an address (e.g., out-of-state driver's or non-driver's license; Social Security, Medicaid, or Medicare document; public college or university document; ID card issued by a recognized Native American tribe; etc.). A government document that has your photo must be an original. The address **DOES NOT** have to match the address on the list of voters.

(3) **sign a declaration** identifying yourself and your reason for not having an accepted photo ID; and

(4) **cast a regular ballot.**

WHAT IS A "REASONABLE IMPEDIMENT?"

A "reasonable impediment" or difficulty, includes:

- Lack of transportation
- Disability or illness
- Lack of birth certificate or other documents needed to obtain accepted photo ID
- Work schedule
- Family responsibilities
- Lost or stolen photo ID
- Photo ID applied for but not received

After initially asking a voter whether he/she has an accepted photo ID, an election official cannot further question the voter concerning whether they have a photo ID, the →

reasonableness of any claimed impediment/difficulty, or the truth of the declaration.

A person is subject to prosecution for perjury for providing a false statement or false information on this declaration.

In certain areas, the "reasonable impediment" form will be available in Spanish, Chinese, and Vietnamese. Oral translations of the "reasonable impediment" form are available in El Paso and Maverick counties.

What if I don't have any accepted IDs with me?

If you do not have any of the required IDs when you vote, you will be asked to cast a provisional ballot. For your provisional ballot to count, you must return to the county voter registrar with an accepted ID within six calendar days.

What is a Provisional Ballot?

A provisional ballot is used to record your vote when there's an unresolved question about your eligibility to vote. You should never be turned away from a polling place just because poll workers are not sure whether you are eligible to vote. Election officials are required to make every effort to provide you with the opportunity to vote (such as allowing you to use nonphoto alternative ID to vote a regular ballot under the "reasonable impediment" or difficulty process). A provisional ballot has all the candidates and offices on it, and is the same ballot that every other voter gets.

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