

News Release

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Voter Registration Deadline Nears for General Election

October 8th Last Day to Register

ALBANY, NY (10/04/2010) -- The State Board of Elections today reminds all state residents to register to vote for the November 2, 2010 general election. Mail-in voter registration forms must be postmarked by midnight, Friday, October 8th and received no later than October 13th to be valid for the upcoming general election.

Candidates for Governor, Comptroller, Attorney General, United States Senate, U.S. House of Representatives, State Senate and State Assembly will be on the ballot this year, along with candidates for State Supreme Court Justice as well as other local offices.

Residents who have moved to a new county are reminded that they must re-register from their new address. Those who are currently registered and have moved to a new address in the same county should notify their county board of elections in writing of their move.

The New York State Voter Registration Form can be used by new voters or by movers for these purposes and can be obtained at www.elections.state.ny.us.

Persons who are unsure whether they are registered, or wish to verify their current address, may look-up their status at: <https://voterlookup.elections.state.ny.us/votersearch.aspx>.

Persons wanting to register in person may do so at their local county board of elections and at many state agency offices throughout the state, but must do so no later than October 8th, to be eligible to vote in the general election. However, new citizens and military voters have a later deadline. If you have been honorably discharged from the military or have become a naturalized citizen after October 8th, you may register in person at the local board of elections until October 22nd.

Requests for registration forms may also be made by calling 1-800-FOR-VOTE. Requests will be processed and the forms mailed to the caller's home or business address. Internet users may download a registration form by going to the State Board's web site at www.elections.state.ny.us and clicking on the "Voting Information" link.

For more information on registering to vote in New York State, call your county board of elections or 1-800-FOR-VOTE.

For information on the new voting machines being used in your county, please go to the State Board's voter education website at: www.vote-ny.com.