

## KNOW YOUR VOTING RIGHTS



# Voting in Idaho with a Criminal Conviction

## What if I have been convicted of a felony?

If you are convicted of a felony, your right to vote is restored once you complete your sentence, including prison time, any probation, parole, or extended supervision.

To be a successful voter, make sure to do the following:

- Register to vote 25 days prior to the election either by mail or register in-person on Election Day
- Verify your voter registration status
- Identify your polling place and note the hours of operation
- Make sure to bring a photo identification card or be prepared to sign the Personal Identification Affidavit

## What if I have been convicted of a misdemeanor?

If you are convicted of a misdemeanor, you never lose your right to vote. If you think you will be in jail on Election Day, you can write to your county clerk in advance and request an absentee ballot. Follow the Absentee Ballot Process guidelines to request your ballot and vote.

### Absentee Ballot Process

To request an absentee ballot, you will need to:

- Apply in writing to the County Clerk to request an absentee ballot.
- Complete the application form and personally sign it.
- Submit the form early enough that the County Clerk gets it at least six days before Election Day.

Mail in absentee ballots must be received by 8:00 pm on Election Day.

If you're experiencing problems voting, either in-person or by mailing in your absentee ballot, or if you have questions about the voting process, contact the Election Protection Hotline at 866-OUR-VOTE. If you feel your right to vote was violated, file a complaint by contacting the ACLU of Idaho at 344-9750 or at P.O. Box 1897, Boise, ID 83701.

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