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Can I vote in Kansas?

You can register and vote in Kansas if you meet all of the following qualifications:

- You are a United States citizen.
- You are a resident of the state of Kansas.
- You are at least 18 years of age.

How do I register to vote?

Complete the state or federal registration form and return it to the county election official where you reside.

You are a resident in the county where you live and intend to return or stay. The county where you are incarcerated is your place of residence if you intend to live there for the foreseeable future. If you have a home in a different county and intend to return there upon your release, that is your place of residence.

What is the voter registration deadline?

In order to vote in the November 2, 2021, general election, you must submit your registration by October 12, 2021.

Can I get help from a family member or friend?

Yes. Family members and friends can return your registration forms, ballot applications, and completed mail ballots for you. However, you are required to complete and sign the forms and ballot envelope yourself.

Can I still vote if I have been convicted of a crime?

Yes. If you were convicted of a misdemeanor, you can vote. If you're awaiting trial on a felony charge, you can vote.

If you were convicted of a felony, you can vote once you complete your sentence, including any probation or parole. You will have to re-register to vote once your sentence is complete, per K.S.A. 22-3722.

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- All registered voters have a right to vote by mail. You must complete an application to vote by mail.
- If you do not have a Kansas Driver's License number, you can send a copy of another government-issued photo ID that contains your first and last name.
- Your application for an advance mail ballot must be received by your county election office no later than 7 days before the date of the election.
- You can receive your ballot at your temporary residence including a pretrial detention facility.
- You can receive your ballot up to 20 days before the election day and no later than 5 days before Election Day.
- Ballot must be postmarked on Election Day and received within three days of the Election or you can hand deliver it to any in-person polling location within the county you are registered before 7 p.m. on Election Day.