

Conducting a Voter Registration Drive in Michigan

Voter Registration Deadline

Applications must be postmarked or received by the 15th day before Election Day.

In person registration at the city or township clerk's office is available within 14 days prior to and on Election Day with proof of residency.

Getting Started

Training Requirements: Michigan does not require training for registration drives.

Notification and Registration Requirements: Michigan does not have notification requirements for registration drives.

Compensation Restrictions: Do not pay registration drive participants based on how many registrations they collect; it is a criminal offense in Michigan.

Handling Applications

Incomplete Applications: Do not fill in any missing information on a registration form unless you have permission from the applicant.

Photocopying Completed Applications: There is no law or rule prohibiting photocopying or retaining information from completed registration applications. As a best practice, a voter's full or partial Social Security Number and/or driver's license number should not be retained.

Obtaining Applications

State Form: The state mail-in voter registration application can be downloaded at the [Michigan Department of State website](#).

Federal Form: The [federal mail-in voter registration application](#) may also be used in voter registration drives and must be accepted by the Secretary of State.

Photocopying Blank Forms: Blank applications may be photocopied and used in voter registration drives.

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