

# Pre-Registration In Michigan



**Eligible 16- and 17-year-olds can now pre-register to vote in Michigan. This one-pager answers common questions about pre-registration, including who can pre-register, how to pre-register, and why pre-registration is important.**

## What is pre-registration?

Pre-registration allows eligible Michiganders ages 16 - 17.5 to pre-register to vote by submitting their voter registration information to election officials. When pre-registrants turn 17.5, they automatically become registered voters and are eligible to vote in the next election that occurs on or after they turn 18.

## Why is pre-registration important?

Pre-registration provides access to the registration process for eligible young people, meeting them where they are and providing convenient registration opportunities at places like high schools and state agencies. Importantly, 16- and 17-year-olds can now get pre-registered at the same time as they are issued their first driver's license! Pre-registration also engages eligible young voters in the civic process, creating voting habits and cultivating a sense of civic responsibility.

## Can I pre-register?

You can pre-register if you are at least 16 years old, are a U.S. citizen, have been a resident of a city or township in Michigan for at least 30 days, and are not currently serving a sentence in jail or prison.

## How can I pre-register to vote?

Eligible Michiganders can pre-register to vote using any of the available voter registration methods: online, in person, or by mail. To pre-register online, individuals will need a Michigan driver's license or Michigan state ID. For more details on how to pre-register (or register) to vote, visit [MichiganVoting.org](https://MichiganVoting.org).

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