



Know Your Rights!

Virginia Laws on Voting with a Felony Conviction have changed this year!

As of September 11, 2026, in Virginia **most prior felony convictions no longer require restoration of rights** before being able to vote. Only the following three felonies will require rights restoration: murder, voluntary manslaughter, involuntary manslaughter.

I do not have one of the three convictions listed above... Now what?

You are eligible to vote now and need only to complete a voter registration application. If you have a Virginia-issued driver's license or ID card, you can register online at: vote.elections.virginia.gov/VoterInformation. Otherwise, you will need to complete a paper application.

vote.elections.virginia.gov



The registration deadline is October 23, 2026, but after that deadline, you can still register using "same day" registration at early voting locations from Oct 24-Oct 31 and at your designated polling place on Election Day.

When filling out the registration form, you must admit to having a felony conviction by checking "**yes**" where the form asks: "*Have you ever been convicted of a felony or judged mentally incapacitated and disqualified to vote?*" Answer "**no**" to the 2nd question: "*If YES, has your right to vote been restored?*" unless you have received a rights restoration order from the Governor.

You can find more information about the law change at:

elections.virginia.gov/registration/felony-convictions-and-voter-eligibility/

Felony Convictions and Voter Eligibility

