



Registering to Vote in King County – English Transcript

Text: Registering to vote

Voiceover: We all have special memories that mark the important stages of our life. For many people, registering to vote is one of them – something we take pride in that marks coming of age or perhaps becoming a citizen.

Voting is one of the most basic and important ways to be involved in the community. It's your voice in a democracy, but you have to be registered before you can vote.

King County provides options for accessible voting to ensure that all voters have the ability to vote privately and independently.

Text and voiceover: Let's go over how to register to vote, and the importance of keeping your registration up to date.

Registering to vote is simple and accessible.

First, make sure you're eligible:

- You must be a citizen of the United States.
- You must be a legal resident of the state of Washington.
- You must be at least 18 years old by the next Election Day.
- And, are not in prison or on community custody for felony.

Voiceover: If you meet all these requirements, than you're ready to register.

There are a few ways to register:

- You can register online – a convenient and accessible option for many people. You must have a valid driver's license or state identification card.
- You can also fill out a registration form and mail it in. Registration forms can be downloaded from the King County Elections website, and are available at many public locations.
- Or, you can visit the King County Elections office during business hours where staff is available to assist you.

When you register, you'll be asked for a few basic pieces of information:

Text and voiceover:

- Your age and citizenship
- Your name and address
- Your driver's license or state ID number or your social security number
- Your signature

Voiceover:

And remember to sign carefully. Your signature is kept on file to verify your vote each election. If you register online, we'll use the signature from your driver's license or state ID.

There are registration deadlines before each election, so don't wait until the last minute.

Once you are registered, make sure to keep your information up to date. Because your ballot is mailed directly to you, the Elections Department needs to have your current address.

It's also important to update your registration if you change your name, or if your signature has changed.

To update your registration, simply call King County Elections or fill out a new registration form.

As a voter, you are helping to shape the future of your community and participate in important decisions at all levels of government.

Make sure you'll be able to exercise your right to vote by keeping your registration information current.

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For more information

www.kingcounty.gov/elections

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