



CAIR MINNESOTA VOTING GUIDE

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The Minnesota Office of the Secretary of State (MOSS) supplies excellent information, answers voting questions and provides ballot and candidate information.

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When and Where to Vote:

- Election Day is Tuesday, November 6, 2012.
- Polls are open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- Find your local polling station at <http://pollfinder.sos.state.mn.us>.
- Here are some other ways to find your polling place:

Contact Your State Democratic Party

- Phone: (651) 293-1200
- Website: <http://www.dfl.org>

Contact Your State Republican Party

- Phone: (651) 222-0022
- Website: <http://www.mngop.com>

Contact Your Local CAIR Chapter

- **CAIR Minnesota**
Phone: (612) 206-3360
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How to Register to Vote:

- Print the voter registration form from <http://www.sos.state.mn.us/index.aspx?page=204>, and mail it in or pick up a form from your local election official.
- Re-register to vote if you have moved, changed your name, or would like to declare an official party affiliation. If your voter registration information has not changed, you do not need to re-register.
- Registration must be received or postmarked by October 16, 2012.

What to Bring on Election Day:

- Bring a photo ID with your current address, such as a Minnesota driver's license, your state ID, or a US Passport.

- If you do not have a photo ID with a current address, bring two IDs that contain your name and address, such as a utility bill, a bank statement, a paycheck, etc.

Absentee Voting:

- Qualified voters are eligible to vote absentee.
- Request an absentee voting application form from <http://www.sos.state.mn.us/index.aspx?page=211>, and mail it to your local election authority.
- It is recommended that absentee voting applications be made no later than 3 weeks before the election.
- Absentee ballots must be received by 3:00 p.m. on November 6, 2012.
- Voters are strongly encouraged to go to the polls to vote if possible.

Early Voting:

- Early voting is not available in Minnesota.

Your Rights as a Minnesota Voter are as Follows:

- To vote if you have registered up to the same day as Election Day.
- To have questions concerning voting procedures answered and to receive assistance if needed.
- To vote without being intimidated, threatened, or coerced.
- To vote if you are eligible to do so even if you do not bring an ID to the polls.
- To vote using a provisional ballot if your registration comes into question.
- If you feel that your rights are violated or you witness a violation of rights in the registration or voting process, please contact the Minnesota Office of the Secretary of State at (877) 600-8683.
- Your vote is private – The ballots are processed in such a way that your identity will not be distinguishable from your ballot.

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