



CAIR SOUTH CAROLINA VOTING GUIDE

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The South Carolina State Election Commission (SCSEC) supplies excellent information, answers, voting questions, and provides ballot and candidate information.

SCSEC Phone: (803) 734-9060

SCSEC Website: <http://www.scvotes.org>

SCSEC Online Contact Form: http://www.scvotes.org/about_the_sec

When and Where to Vote:

- Election Day is Tuesday, November 6, 2012.
- Polls are open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- Find your local polling station at <https://info.scvotes.sc.gov/eng/voterinquiry/VoterInformationRequest.aspx?PageMode=VoterInfo>.
- Here are some other ways to find your polling place:

Contact Your State Democratic Party

- Phone: (803) 799-7798
- Website: <http://www.scdp.org>

Contact Your State Republican Party

- Phone: (803) 988-8440
- Website: <http://www.scgop.com>

Contact Your Local CAIR Chapter

- **CAIR South Carolina**
Phone: (803) 658-8786
Email: info@sc.cair.com

How to Register to Vote:

- To register, print the voter registration form from http://www.scvotes.org/files/VR_Blank_Form.pdf, and mail it to your local election authority.
- To register online.
- 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 applications must be received by October 6, 2012.

What to Bring on Election Day:

- Bring a photo ID with your current address, such as a South Carolina driver's license, your state ID, or a US Passport.
- If you do not have a photo with a current address, bring two IDs that contain your name and address, such as a utility bill, a bank statement, a paycheck, etc.
- You cannot be turned away from voting because you did not bring proper identification. If you do not have proper ID, you can vote using a provisional ballot.

Absentee Voting:

- Qualified voters are eligible to vote absentee
- Submit your application online or print it form from http://www.scvotes.org/2009/10/15/absentee_voting, and mail it to your local election authority.
- Absentee ballots can be requested no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, November 2, 2012.
- In person absentee ballot casting must be received by 5:00 pm on November 5, 2012.
- Mailed ballots must be received by 7:00 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 the State of South Carolina.

Your Rights as a South Carolina Voter are as Follows:

- To vote if you have registered by October 6, 2012.
- 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 South Carolina State Election Commission at (803) 734-9060.
- 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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