

Conducting a Voter Registration Drive in Arkansas

Voter Registration Deadline

Postmarked or received 30 days before Election Day

Getting Started

Training Requirement: Arkansas does not require training for registration drives.

Notification and Registration Requirements: Arkansas does not have notification requirements for registration drives.

Compensation Restrictions: Do not pay registration drive participants based on how many registrations they collect. Do not offer an applicant any incentive of monetary value to register to vote.

For more information see sos.arkansas.gov/uploads/elections/voter_drive.pdf

Obtaining Applications

State Form: The state mail-in voter registration application can be downloaded from the Secretary of State's website. For more information see sos.arkansas.gov/uploads/elections/voter_drive.pdf

Federal Form: The federal mail-in voter registration application may be used in voter registration drives: eac.gov/voters/national-mail-voter-registration-form/

Photocopying Blank Forms: You can photocopy blank forms for voter registration drives.

Handling Applications

Incomplete Applications: Arkansas law does not address the issue of whether or how voter registration drives should address missing information. Do not make any changes to an application or fill in missing information without the express consent of the applicant, who is attesting to the truth of what is filled out.

Photocopying Completed Applications: As a best practice, a voter's full or partial Social Security number and/or driver's license number should not be retained.

Submitting Completed Applications: Mail or deliver completed applications within 21 days of the date on the application or by 30 days before Election Day, whichever is earlier. Criminal penalties apply if the deadline rules are not followed. Print **VRD01 in "Agency Code"** box on EACH APPLICATION filled out during a voter registration drive.

- If all applicants live in the same county, then the applications can be delivered to the county clerk.
- If applicants live in different counties, the applications can be delivered to the Secretary of State.
- The federal voter registration application can be mailed to the following address: Secretary of State, Voter Services, P.O. Box 8111, Little Rock, AR 72203-8111.

Fair Elections Center and Campus Vote Project intend the information contained herein to be used only as a general guide.

This document should not be used as a substitute for consultation with a licensed Arkansas legal professional.

Last updated April 2024

For more information, visit
www.fairelectionscenter.org