



Tillamook County Clerk

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Voter Registration Policy – Residency

Please read before registering or updating your registration

An elections official may consider, but is not limited to considering, the following factors in determining residency of a person for voter registration purposes:

1. Where the person receives personal mail;
2. Where the person is licensed to drive;
3. Where the person registers motor vehicles for personal use;
4. Where any immediate family members of the person resides
5. The address from which the person pays for utility services; and
6. The address from which the person files any federal or state income tax returns. (ORS 247.035)

A person shall not be considered to have gained a residence in any location in this state into which the person comes for temporary purposes only, without the intention of making it the person's home (ORS 247.035 (1)(c)).

The County Clerk may reject a registration if they determine that minimum qualifications are not met. If rejected, the Voter may apply for a hearing no later than the 10th day after the rejection on the person's qualifications to register or update the registration. (ORS 247.174)

A member of the public may submit, in writing, a request to investigate the registration of a local elector. This request, along with evidence, must be submitted to the County Clerk via mail or email.

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Email: clerk@tillamookcounty.gov

An elector may go online to update their voter registration or register to vote at www.oregonvotes.gov OR fill out and return a Voter Registration card. Voter Registration cards (SEL500) are available at the County Clerk's office and most post offices in the County. You can also download the SEL500 here: [SEL500 Oregon Voter Registration Card English](#)

Related Oregon Revised Statutes:

247.035 Rules to consider in determining residence of person for voting purposes. (1) An elections official, in determining the residence and qualifications of a person offering to register or vote, shall consider the following rules, so far as they may be applicable:

(a) The person's residence shall be the place in which habitation is fixed and to which, when the person is absent, the person intends to return.

(b) If a person's property is split by a jurisdictional line, the person shall be registered where the residence is located. If the residence is split by a jurisdictional line, the person shall register where the greatest value of the residence is located according to county assessment and taxation records.

(c) A person shall not be considered to have gained a residence in any location in this state into which the person comes for temporary purposes only, without the intention of making it the person's home.

(d) If a person moves to another state with the intention of making a permanent home, the person shall be considered to have lost residence in this state.

(e) If a person goes from this state into any other state or territory and votes there, the person shall be considered to have lost residence in this state.

(f) A person who has left the place of the person's residence for a temporary purpose only shall not be considered to have lost residence.

(2) Notwithstanding subsection (1) of this section, a person who has left the place of the person's residence for a temporary purpose only, who has not established another residence for voter registration purposes and who does not have a place in which habitation is fixed shall not be considered to have changed or lost residence. The person may register at the address of the place the person's residence was located before the person left.

(3) An elections official may consider, but is not limited to considering, the following factors in determining residency of a person for voter registration purposes:

(a) Where the person receives personal mail;

(b) Where the person is licensed to drive;

(c) Where the person registers motor vehicles for personal use;

(d) Where any immediate family members of the person reside;

(e) The address from which the person pays for utility services; and

(f) The address from which the person files any federal or state income tax returns. [Formerly 250.410; 1995 c.214 §1]

247.171. (1) Except as provided in this subsection, the Secretary of State shall design, prepare and distribute state voter registration cards. The Secretary of State shall also distribute federal registration cards. Any person may apply in writing to the Secretary of State for permission to print, copy or otherwise prepare and distribute the registration cards designed by the Secretary of State. The secretary may revoke any permission granted under this subsection at any time. All registration cards shall be distributed to the public without charge.

(2) The Secretary of State shall approve any voter registration application form developed for use by any agency designated as a voter registration agency under ORS 247.208.

(3) Each voter registration card designed or approved by the Secretary of State shall describe the penalties for knowingly supplying false information on the registration card and shall contain space for a person to provide the following information:

(a) Full name;

(b) Residence address, mailing address or any other information necessary to locate the residence of the person offering to register to vote;

(c) The name of the political party with which the person is affiliated, if any;

(d) Date of birth;

(e) An indication that the person is a citizen of the United States; and

(f) Except as provided in ORS 247.018, a signature attesting to the fact that the person is qualified to be an elector.

(4) Any form containing a voter registration card may also include space for a person to provide:

(a) A telephone number where the person may be contacted; and

(b) If previously registered to vote in this state, the name then supplied by the person and the county and, if known, the address of previous registration.

(5) A person shall not supply any information under subsection (3) or (4) of this section knowing it to be false.

(6) A county clerk or other person accepting registration cards shall not request any information unless it is authorized by state or federal law.

(7) Except as provided in ORS 247.018, a person shall attest to the information supplied on the voter registration card by signing the completed registration card.

(8) Except as provided in subsection (7) of this section, any completed and signed registration card described in subsection (3) of this section shall be the official registration card of the elector.

247.174 Determining if person qualified to register or update registration; hearing. (1) The qualifications of any person who requests to be registered or to update a registration shall be determined in the first instance by the county clerk or official designated by the county clerk to register persons as electors from the evidence present.

(2) The county clerk or official designated by the county clerk to register persons as electors may reject any registration or update of a registration if the clerk or official determines that the person is not qualified or that the registration card is illegible, inaccurate or incomplete. The clerk or official shall promptly notify the person of the rejection.

(3) A person whose registration or update to a registration is rejected may apply to the county clerk not later than the 10th day after the rejection for a hearing on the person's qualifications to register or update the registration. Not later than the 10th day after the date the county clerk receives the application, the clerk shall notify the applicant of the place and time of the hearing on the qualifications. The hearing shall be held not sooner than the second nor later than the 20th day after notice is given. At the hearing the applicant may present evidence of qualification. If the county clerk, upon the conclusion of the hearing, determines that the applicant is qualified, the county clerk shall register or update the registration of the applicant. [Formerly 247.141; 1983 c.83 §28; 1985 c.471 §2; 1985 c.833 §4; 1987 c.719 §12; 1987 c.733 §4; 1993 c.713 §11]