

Voter Registration Information

Did you know that Texas was the first State to vote from space?

Now that we have your attention, the Tax Assessor/Collector serves as Voter Registrar for Galveston County. The Voter Registration Department is located on the first floor of the Galveston County Courthouse in the GCTO Galveston Branch.

One of the responsibilities of the Voter Registrar is to encourage voter registration which we do in a variety of ways, including mail outs, deputizing volunteer registrars and providing programs on voter registration.

Our office supports all elections held in Galveston County through the provision of poll books and telephone support during elections. In addition, monthly training is provided the third Friday of each month at 2:00 pm at the Galveston Courthouse in the Commissioner's Meeting Room for those wishing to become Volunteer Deputy Registrars. We prefer that you sign up in advance for those classes so that packets can be prepared in advance. Please click on the form below and either email the information directly to us or print the form, complete it and email or mail to us.

In order to register to vote in Texas, a person must be a U.S. citizen, a resident of the county, at least 17 years and 10 months of age, not be a convicted felon (unless sentence, including probation or parole has been completed), and not have been declared mentally disabled. Below you will find an on-line application. Please print the application and complete it in accordance with the instructions. For your convenience, voter applications are available at all Tax Office locations. Applications may be mailed or dropped off at one of our locations.

[Online Voter Registration Application click here \(or go to Forms from homepage\)](#)

[Request for Confidentiality Form click here \(or go to Forms from homepage\)](#)

Step-by-Step Instructions to Complete a Voter Application Form

1. Full legal name is required (Married woman may not use husband's first name in place of own)
2. Residence Address - The street address of the applicant must be in Galveston County and appear in the space. If none, describe where you live - DO NOT USE A POST OFFICE BOX OR RURAL ROUTE.
3. Mailing Address: If you cannot receive mail at the above address, a separate mailing address should be provided in this space.
4. Gender: Optional
5. Date of Birth: The date of birthday field must be completed with the month, day and year of birth.
6. County of Address of Former Residence: Applicants must indicate if they were formerly registered in another Texas County. We will cancel a previous registration in another county.
7. United States Citizen: The applicant must be a U.S. citizen to become a registered voter. The box must be checked.
8. Social Security Number: The Social Security number is used to accurately maintain the voter registration records.
9. Texas Drivers License Number
10. Telephone Number: Optional. The telephone number is used only to verify information if necessary.
11. Date: The date the voter has completed and signed the voter registration application.
12. Signature of Applicant or Agent: A signature of applicant or agent is required on all applications. A husband, wife, mother, father, son or daughter may act as an agent to register one another with the voter's consent. If a person is unable to sign the application, have them make a mark in the appropriate space, witness their "mark" with your signature.

Registering to vote is the first step. Voting in each and every election is the next and most important step of all. So...voice your opinions at the polls--vote!