

Electoral registration form for someone with no fixed or permanent address

You can still register to vote even if you do not have a fixed address.
This could be because:

- you are homeless or have no fixed address
- you are a person who has been remanded in custody, but you have not yet been convicted of any offence
- you are a patient in a mental health hospital.

To register, you need to give an address where you would be living if it were not for your current situation or an address where you have lived in the past. If you are homeless, you can give details of where you spend a substantial part of your time.

How to register to vote

- 1 Fill in this electoral registration form.
- 2 Make sure you sign the declaration.
- 3 Return your completed form to your Electoral Registration Officer.
You can find their address at www.aboutmyvote.co.uk.

Register to vote as soon as you can, or it may be too late to vote in the next election.

Who is eligible to register to vote?

You can register to vote in the UK if you are:

- resident (usually live in the UK), and
- aged 16 or over (although you won't be able to vote until you are 18).

You must also be either:

- a British, Irish or European Union citizen, or
- a Commonwealth citizen who has leave to remain in the UK or who does not require leave to remain in the UK.

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Register to vote

Only one person can register to vote using this form.

Use **black ink** and write in CAPITALS.

Your full name

Forename(s)

Surname

Changed your name?

No Yes

If yes, please give us your most recent previous name (optional).

Please tell us the date you changed your name DD MM YYYY (optional).

For example, you may have got married and changed your name. You do not have to give us details of your name change but it will help us identify you. If this information is not given then you may need to provide additional identity documents.

Your date of birth (DD MM YYYY)

If you don't know your date of birth, please tick if you are:

Under 18 18–75 Aged 76 or over

Don't know your exact date of birth?

Please give the date you put on official documents (for example, your passport or driving licence) or tick one of the boxes. Your date of birth identifies you, confirms your eligibility to vote and can be used to call people for jury service.

Your nationality

If you have more than one nationality, please include them all. You can only register to vote in the UK if you have leave to remain. We may check your immigration status with the Home Office before we include you on the electoral register.

Your National Insurance number

You may find this on your payslip, or on official letters about tax, pensions or benefits.

If you cannot tell us your National Insurance number, we may need to ask you for proof of your identity. We will contact you about this, and it may take longer to deal with your application.

Don't know your date of birth, nationality or National Insurance number?

Please tell us why.

Moved in the last 12 months?

No Yes

If yes, please give any previous address where you have lived during the last year.

Postcode

If this address was overseas, were you registered in the UK as an overseas voter?

No Yes

How would you like to receive information about your registration?

I will collect correspondence from the Electoral Registration Officer.

Please deliver correspondence to this address.

Postcode

Do you live at another address?

No Yes

If you also live at another address don't give us the address now, but we may ask you for more information later.

Your address for registration

Please tick **one** statement and provide the appropriate addresses:

I have no fixed address – please give us the address or place where you spend a large part of your time in **Address 1**.

I am a mental health patient living in a mental health hospital – please give **both** of the following:

- the name and address of the hospital in which you are being treated in **Address 1**
- and the address where you would be living if you were not a mental health patient or where you have lived in the past in **Address 2**.

I am a person who has been remanded in custody – please give **both** of the following:

- the name and address of the place in which you are being detained in **Address 1**
- the address where you would be living if you had not been remanded in custody or where you have lived in the past in **Address 2**.

Address 1

Postcode

We may need to contact you to ask about how much time you have spent at this address.

Address 2

Postcode

Contact details

Telephone number(s)

Email address (if you have one) in CAPITALS

You don't have to give us your contact details, but if you do it will help us if we need to contact you about your registration.

The open register

I don't want my name and address to be included in the open register.

There's more information about the open register below.

Registering anonymously?

I have also submitted an application to register anonymously.

Can't vote in person?

If you are unable to go to the polling station in person on polling day, please choose how you would like to vote and we will send you a form.

By post By proxy (someone voting on your behalf)

You can also download an application form at www.aboutmyvote.co.uk

Declaration

I confirm that I am a British, Irish, European Union or qualifying Commonwealth citizen.

To the best of my knowledge, the information in this form is true.

I understand that the information I have given on this form will be used on the electoral register.

I understand that it is an offence to knowingly give false information in this form, and that I could face an unlimited fine and/or up to six months in prison.

Signature

Date (DD MM YYYY)

Qualifying Commonwealth citizens are people who have leave to enter or remain in the UK or who do not require such leave.

Now sign and return the form

to the Electoral Registration Officer at your local council. You can find their address at www.aboutmyvote.co.uk.

When we receive your form

- ▶ If we need more information – for example, about another address or, if you are a Commonwealth citizen, about your immigration status – we will contact you.
- ▶ If you are eligible, we will send you confirmation that you are on the electoral register. If you are aged 16 or 17, we will let you know when you are on the register.

The open register

There are two registers. Why?

Using information received from the public, registration officers keep two registers – the electoral register and the open register (also known as the edited register).

The electoral register

The electoral register lists the names and addresses of everyone who is registered to vote in public elections. The register is used for electoral purposes, such as making sure only eligible people can vote. It is also used for other limited purposes specified in law, such as:

- detecting crime (e.g. fraud)
- calling people for jury service
- checking credit applications.

The open register

The open register is an extract of the electoral register, but is not used for elections. It can be bought by any person, company or organisation. For example, it is used by businesses and charities to confirm name and address details.

Your name and address will be included in the open register unless you ask for them to be removed. Removing your details from the open register does not affect your right to vote.

You can find more information about both registers and how they may be used at www.gov.uk/register-to-vote.

Your personal information

We will only use the information you give us for electoral purposes. We will look after personal information securely and we will follow the Data Protection Act 1998. We will not give personal information about you and the other people in your household to anyone else or another organisation unless we have to by law.