

WARNING – VERMONT LOCAL ELECTION – December 2, 2024

A local runoff election for the Town of Stamford will be held on MONDAY, December 2, 2024 to vote for the following office:
Justice of the Peace

The polls will be open at 10 a.m. and will close at 7 p.m. The polling place is located at:

Stamford School Community Room
986 Main Road
Stamford, VT 05352

VERMONT NOTICE TO VOTERS AND VERMONT VOTER RIGHTS For Special Town Meeting Election on November 25, 2024

EARLY or ABSENTEE BALLOTS: You can request early or absentee ballots at any time during the election year. The latest a ballot can be requested in Stamford is Friday, November 29, 2024 at 12 p.m. You or a family member can request early ballots in person, in writing, by telephone, or on your My Voter Page at mvp.vermont.gov. An authorized person can request ballots for you in person or in writing.

CHECKLIST: POSTED at town clerk's office by November 12, 2024. If your name is not on the checklist, then you must register to vote. **SAMPLE BALLOTS** will be posted by November 12, 2024.

REGISTER TO VOTE: There is no deadline to register to vote. You will be able to register to vote on the day of the election. **Please register early** by visiting the town clerk's office or going online at: olvr.vermont.gov. [See 17 V.S.A. §2121, 17:2144(b)]

WAYS TO VOTE YOUR EARLY BALLOT:

- You may vote in the town clerk's office before the deadline.
- Voter may take his or her ballot(s) out of the clerk's office and return in same manner as if the ballots were received by mail.
- Have ballot mailed to you, and mail or deliver it back to the clerk's office before Election Day or to the polling place before 7:00 p.m. on Election Day.
- If you are sick or disabled before Election Day, ask the town clerk to have two justices of the peace bring a ballot to you at your home.
- **IMPORTANT:** Read and follow all instructions that come with your absentee ballot, or your vote may not count!

ON ELECTION DAY:

If your name was dropped from the checklist in error, or has not been added even though you submitted a timely application for addition to the checklist, explain the situation to your town clerk and ask that your name be added to the checklist today.

- ! The town clerk or presiding officer will investigate the situation and then either have you swear to an affidavit that you had submitted a timely application and add your name to the checklist or explain why it cannot be added.
- ! If the clerk or Board of Civil Authority does not add your name, you can appeal the decision to a superior court judge, who will settle the matter on Election Day. Call the Secretary of State's Office at 1-800-439-VOTE (439-8683) for more information.

If you are a first time voter who submitted your application to the checklist individually by mail, you must provide a valid Vermont photo identification, or a copy of a government issued document with your current address, before you vote for the first time.

If you have physical disabilities, are visually impaired or cannot read, you may have assistance from any person of your choice. If any voters you know have disabilities let them know they can have assistance from any person of their choice.

If you know voters who cannot get from the car into the polling place let them know that ballot(s) may be brought to their car by two election officials.

If you have any questions or need assistance while voting, ask your town clerk or any election official for help.

THE LAW PROHIBITS THE FOLLOWING – DO NOT:

- ! Vote more than once per election, either in the same town or in different towns.
- ! Mislead the board of civil authority about your own or another person's true residency or other eligibility to vote.
- ! Hinder or impede a voter going into or from the polling place. Vermont law provides that a person cannot campaign within a polling place but does NOT specify any number of feet that campaigners need to be away from the polls outside. The presiding officer will set reasonable rules for where campaigners can stand.
- ! Socialize in a manner that could disturb other voters in the polling place.
- ! Offer bribe, threaten or exercise undue influence to dictate or control the vote of another person.

FOR HELP OR INFORMATION: Call the Secretary of State's Office at 1-800-439-VOTE (439-8683). (Accessible by TDD)

If you believe that any of your voting rights have been violated, you may file an Administrative Complaint with the Secretary of State's Office, 26 Terrace Street, Montpelier, VT 05609-1101.

If you believe you have witnessed efforts to commit any kind of fraud or corruption in the voting process, you may report this to your local United States Attorney's Office.

If you have witnessed actual or attempted acts of discrimination or intimidation in the voting process, you may report this to the Civil Rights Division of the United States Department of Justice at (800) 253-3931.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR VOTERS using Paper Ballots

CHECK-IN AND RECEIVE BALLOTS:

- Go to the entrance checklist table.
- Give your name and, if asked, street address to the election official in a loud voice.
- Wait until your name is repeated and checked off by the official.
- An election official will give you a ballot.
- Enter within the guardrail and go to a vacant voting booth.

MARK YOUR BALLOT: For each office listed on the ballot, you will see instructions to "Vote for not more than one, or Vote for not more than two, etc."

- To vote for a candidate, fill in the oval/box to the right of the name of the candidate you want to vote for.
- WRITE-IN candidate(s). To vote for someone whose name is not printed on the ballot, use the blank "write-in" lines on the ballot and either write-in the name or paste on sticker, then fill in the oval.

CHECK OUT:

- Go to the exit checklist table and state your name in an audible voice.
- Wait until your name is repeated and checked off by the official.

CAST YOUR VOTE by depositing your voted ballot in "Voted Ballots" box.