

Register to vote

The election will be on 12 December and, if you are not on the electoral register already, you will need to register by 26 November. It is very simple to register your vote and you can do so at:

- Your local registration office
- Online at <https://www.gov.uk/register-to-vote> where you can also perform a postcode search to find your registration office.

If you are a **British citizen or an Irish or Commonwealth citizen resident in the UK and over 18 years old**, you can vote in a general election. People with term-time or temporary addresses are not hindered in their ability to vote at all.

The voting process is set up to enable everybody the opportunity to vote.

- Polling Stations are open from 7am to 10pm, so you need not worry about missing work.
- If you need assistance getting there contact your registration office to find out what help is available
- You can take children along with you if necessary
- You do not need to bring ID

If you cannot make it on the day, you can register for a postal or proxy vote by doing the following:

How to vote by post

- Anyone can apply for a postal vote – you don't need to give a reason. A postal vote can be sent to your home address or to any other address that you choose. You can apply to vote by post for just one election, for a specific period, or permanently. For security, you'll need to give your date of birth and signature when you apply, and again whenever you vote by post. Complete your ballot paper in secret, seal it up yourself, and take it to the post box yourself if you can. Apply [here](#).

How to vote by proxy

- If you are unable to vote in person, you can ask someone to vote on your behalf, and tell them who to vote for. This is called a proxy vote. When you apply for a proxy vote, you have to give a valid reason. You can apply to vote by proxy for just one election, for a specific period, or permanently. Your application may have to be supported by someone like your doctor or employer. There are different application forms depending on your situation. Read more [here](#).

You can find out more and apply for a postal or proxy vote by printing an application form online at www.gov.uk/register-to-vote ; or by contacting your local electoral registration office.