

ARE YOU READY FOR THE PRIMARY?

During the Primary Election, the three major parties of New Mexico will have separate races for electing the candidates that will later run as the designated party candidates during the General Election. New Mexico is a closed primary state, which means only voters registered to a major party (Democrat, Republican, and Libertarian) will be able to vote in that party's primary. During the General Election, when all parties are running against each other, any voter can select any candidate they choose regardless of party affiliation.

If you would like to change your party in order to vote in a primary, you may update your voter registration with these methods:

- In person at our office at 845 N. Motel Blvd
- Online at nmvote.org
- Through the mail, by calling us at (575-)647-7428 to request an application to be sent to your address

If you are already registered to a major party and would like to switch before the Primary Election, the deadline to update your registration is May 10th, when early voting begins. You will not be able to change your party using same-day registration during early voting.

If, after May 10th, you are not currently registered to any major party, you will be able to use same-day registration to join a major party and vote in their primary.

If, after May 10th, you are concerned about being a registered voter of a major party and prefer to be independent or register with a minor party, you will be able to change your registration back after the Primary Election is over.

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