

Below is some interesting information about voting. You can go on the sources listed at the end of the sections and check it out yourselves. It's all about Oregon or you can check out the other states. Make sure you vote and then report. Happy Thanksgiving! Bee safe and bee well.

Election Fraud Cases

Betty Clark, of Haines, Oregon, **voted twice** in the 2016 election, in both Washington and Oregon. Clark was temporarily living in Vancouver to help her ailing father when she received and returned a ballot; she filled out a second ballot when she returned home to Oregon. Clark pleaded guilty to a charge of voting when not entitled, and was ordered to pay a \$440 fine.

Source: <https://herit.ag/3x2hDCU>

Marjory Gale, of Hood River, voted twice in the 2016 election, once for herself and once for her daughter. Both votes were cast by **absentee ballot**. Gale pleaded guilty to a violation, and was ordered to pay a \$750 fine.

Source: <https://herit.ag/2ULPnrf>

Deanna Swenson, a Clackamas County elections official, **pleaded guilty to official misconduct and unlawfully altering a ballot. Swenson tampered with ballots by filling in blank spots left by the actual voters.** Swenson was ordered to serve 90 days in jail and pay \$13,000 in fines.

Source: <https://herit.ag/3zGwXXr>

Voter ID

All voters are required to present a valid photo identification (ID), as listed in subsection B (1) below, to an appropriate election official before voting in person or to provide a photocopy with an absentee ballot request form and an absentee ballot.

1. A voter requesting an absentee ballot must submit with the absentee ballot application a copy of one of the valid forms of photo identification listed in subsection (1) below.

1. Acceptable forms of identification shall include:

1. A driver's license properly issued by the appropriate state or county department or agency;

2. A state non-driver's ID card properly issued by the appropriate state or county department or agency;

3. A current, non-expired U.S. passport;

4. U.S. military ID, provided that such ID contains a photograph of the voter;

5. Tribal government ID, provided that such ID contains a photograph of the voter;

6. IDs issued by [state] colleges and universities or postgraduate technical or professional schools located within [state], provided that such identification card contains a photograph of the voter and identifies whether the student is a citizen; and
7. A valid [state] photo voter identification card or other valid identification card issued by a branch, department, agency, or entity of the [state] or the United States authorized by law to issue personal identification, provided that such identification card contains a photograph of the voter.
8. In lieu of a copy of a valid ID card, a registered voter with a [state] driver's license or non-driver's license ID card can provide the serial number of his or her ID on the absentee ballot request form and with the absentee ballot [affidavit or certification form].
2. Every driver's license or state-issued photo ID issued shall note prominently whether the individual is a citizen or non citizen.
3. If a voter does not possess a state-issued ID, the state shall provide one to the voter free of charge through the Department of Motor Vehicles, county election offices, or other state entity as provided by law.
3. For individuals physically unable to travel to a state or county office on their own in order to obtain a state ID:
 1. [State] shall provide the appropriate transportation from the individual's residence to the ID office and back.
 2. Alternatively, [state] shall provide a mobile vehicle to travel to the homes of permanently disabled individuals to provide them with an ID.
4. If election officials have a photograph of a registered voter, all poll locations using electronic poll books shall have the photograph of the voter available with the registration information of the voter.

Vote Counting

The deadline for receipt of all absentee ballots shall be the closing of polls on Election Day in order to eliminate all disputes concerning the timing of absentee ballots and potential problems with the United States Postal Service or its failure to postmark an envelope. The deadline for a request for an absentee ballot should be based on U.S. Postal Service delivery standards for [state].

1. The counting of ballots including any absentee ballots and ballots submitted through early voting shall not begin until all of the polls in all polling locations have been closed at the end of Election Day.
 1. [Should the provision of this law subsequently be altered by appropriate legislative action and the counting of votes before Election Day be permitted, the release of voting results shall be banned until the evening of Election Day under penalty of law].
3. The counting of ballots shall continue without pause until all votes have been tabulated. If extreme and unforeseen circumstances occur that require suspension of the vote count, election officials shall notify the public of the suspension and the exact time that it will resume.
4. In no event shall electronic voting machines at polling locations be connected to the Internet. Likewise, any computer used in government election departments to tabulate voting results shall be a stand-alone computer that is not connected to the Internet or an online network.

