# Bring ID to the polls

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## Poll workers will ask you to show a current and valid Photo ID when you vote at your polling place

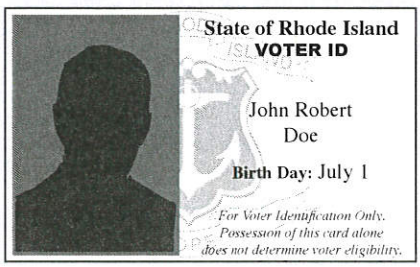
### Acceptable Photo IDs:

› RI driver's license
› U.S. passport
› ID card issued by an educational institution in the United States
› U.S. military ID card
› State of Rhode Island or federal government-issued ID card
› Government-issued medical card
› RI Voter ID

### Protecting your vote:

› No eligible voter will be turned away at the polls. Voters who do not bring an acceptable Photo ID to their polling place can vote using a standard Provisional Ballot, which will be counted if the signature they give at their polling place matches the signature on their voter registration
› Mail ballots do not require ID

**"Rhode Island state law requires voters to show a current and valid photo ID when they vote at their polling place."**




# GET ONE!

### Need a Voter ID card?

You are eligible to get a free Voter ID card if you are a registered voter and do not already have a current and valid Photo ID including:

› RI driver's license
› U.S. passport
› ID card issued by an educational institution in the United States
› U.S. military ID card
› State of Rhode Island or federal government-issued ID card
› Government-issued medical card

# Documents you can present to get a VOTER ID card:

**If you don't have an acceptable Photo ID, you are still eligible to get a free Voter ID, but you must bring proof of identity including:**

- Employee ID card
- ID card provided by a commercial establishment
- Credit or debit card
- Military ID card
- Student ID card
- Health club ID card
- Insurance plan ID card
- Public housing ID card

**If you don't have one of those proofs of identity, you must bring one of the following documents. It must show your name and be dated since November 6, 2012, unless the document is intended to be of a permanent nature such as a pardon or discharge:**

- Utility bill
- Bank statement
- Government paycheck
- Document issued by a government agency
- Official elections document issued by a government agency, dated for the election in which the registered voter is providing it as proof of identity
- Voter notification issued by a governmental agency
- Public housing ID card issued by a governmental agency
- Lease or rental statement or agreement issued by a governmental agency
- Student ID card issued by a governmental institution/agency or non-governmental institution/agency
- Tuition statement or bill issued by a governmental agency
- Insurance plan card or drug discount card issued by a government agency
- Discharge certificates, pardons, or other official documents issued to the registered voter by a governmental agency in connection with the resolution of a criminal case, indictment, sentence or other matter
- Public transit authority senior citizen and disabled discount ID card issued by a governmental agency
- ID documents issued by governmental disability agencies
- ID documents issued by homeless shelters and other temporary or transitional facilities
- Drug prescription issued by a government document or other governmental health care provider
- Property tax statement issued by a governmental agency
- Vehicle registration issued by a governmental agency or
- Vehicle certificate of ownership issued by a governmental agency

## What if a voter doesn't have any proof of identity at all?

Registered voters who do not have any acceptable proof of identity can still apply. We will compare the voter's signature they give us when they apply for a Voter ID to the signature on their voter registration form. If the signatures match, we will provide a Voter ID.

## Where can I get a Voter ID?

Our mobile Voter ID units will visit every city and town in Rhode Island. You can find the entire list of dates and locations on our website at sos.ri.gov or contact us at 222-2340 or elections@sos.ri.gov.

## What if I need to replace or update my new Voter ID?

Voters who desire to update their Voter ID Card or who lose, misplace or report their Voter ID Card stolen, may apply for an updated or replacement Voter ID Card following the identical process for acquisition.

**Find out more about Voter ID at 222-2340 or visit sos.ri.gov.**