

Dept. of Transportation: Spring elections ahead, ensure you have an ID to vote

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Spring is officially here and the Wisconsin Spring Election is weeks away. Wisconsin Department of Transportation Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) reminds voters to check and be sure that they have the proper identification needed to vote in next month's election (April 5).

Wisconsin driver licenses or IDs are the most common form of identification used for voting purposes. A federally compliant REAL ID card is *not* required to show at the polls. The Wisconsin Elections Commission notes other forms of identification are valid for voting, such as military or student ID cards. To see if a card meets the requirements, visit the Wisconsin Elections Commission [website](#).

Voters looking to get their first Wisconsin ID can turn to DMV for help. To obtain an official ID card, there are documentation [requirements](#) such as a birth certificate. If all documentation is not readily available, the [ID Petition Process](#) (IDPP) may be used to obtain a receipt valid for voting while the remaining documents or verifications are obtained.

DMV offers this service and ID cards for voting purposes free of charge. DMV's toll-free Voter ID hotline at (844) 588-1069 is available for questions on obtaining an ID to vote.

DMV's website has a locator to help find the [nearest DMV](#) and check wait times



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