

# WisDOT: Wisconsin DMV extends hours ahead of election

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The Wisconsin Department of Transportation Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) will extend hours next week at customer service centers that are open on Monday (November 7) and/or Tuesday (November 8). These centers will remain open until 6 p.m. The extended hours will enable those needing a photo ID, frequently those who are new to the state, time to visit a DMV.

Most Wisconsin voters already have some form of ID to show at the polls, including a Wisconsin driver license or ID. There is no separate “voter ID” and a federally compliant REAL ID card is not required for voting purposes. The Wisconsin Elections Commission explains the acceptable options to bring to the polls on its [website](#).

## Steps to obtain an ID to vote

Anyone without the required identification to vote may obtain an ID free from the DMV. Voters looking to get their first Wisconsin ID should begin at DMV’s website [wisconsindmv.gov/idcards](https://wisconsindmv.gov/idcards).

Next, bring the required documents to apply at your [nearest DMV](#). Certain documents, such as a birth certificate, proof of identity and Wisconsin residency, are necessary to obtain an official Wisconsin ID card. 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. The voter should bring any documentation available to the DMV and complete the required application.

Finally, a receipt valid for voting purposes will be provided and may be used to show at the polls.

DMV offers this IDPP service and ID card for voting purposes free of charge. Anyone who doesn't have an ID to vote in the fall primary election should start the process now. DMV's toll-free voter ID hotline at (844) 588-1069 is available for questions on obtaining an ID to vote. Questions regarding voter eligibility, poll locations, voter registration information or other election information may be directed to the Wisconsin Elections Commission [website](#).