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## **Registration Deadline for the September 14, 2021 California Gubernatorial Recall Election**

**(Redwood City, CA)** The deadline to register is August 30, 2021, for the September 14, 2021 California Gubernatorial Recall Election. Voter registration forms sent by mail must be postmarked on or before August 30, 2021.

Register online at [registertovote.ca.gov](http://registertovote.ca.gov). Online registrations must be completed by 11:59 p.m. on August 30 in order to receive a ballot in the mail for the September 14, 2021 California Gubernatorial Recall Election.

Voter Registration Application Forms are available at the following locations:

- Registration & Elections Division (40 Tower Road, San Mateo)
- Assessor-County Clerk-Recorder's Office (555 County Center, Redwood City)
- Any of the County's [Vote Centers](#)
- City and Town Halls
- Department of Motor Vehicles Offices
- Post Offices
- Public Libraries

To be eligible to register to vote, a person must be:

- A U.S. citizen and a resident of California
- At least 18 years old by Election Day
- Not in prison
- Not deemed by a court to be mentally incompetent to register to vote

If you are 16 or 17 years old, you can pre-register to vote. Persons who are pre-registered will automatically become a registered voter on their eighteenth birthday. If your eighteenth birthday falls on or before September 14, and you pre-registered by August 30, you will receive a ballot in the mail. If you are not pre-registered by August 30, and your eighteenth birthday falls on or before September 14, you can still register to vote through the Conditional Voter Registration process and receive a ballot in person.

All voters can confirm their current registration status online at [www.smcvote.org](http://www.smcvote.org) by clicking on the “My Election Info” button.

### **Conditional Voter Registration (CVR)**

Voters who miss the August 30, 2021, voter registration deadline may “conditionally” register to vote and receive their ballot immediately at any county Vote Center. When a conditional ballot is cast, the Registration & Elections Division processes the registration, determines the individual’s eligibility to register, and validates the individual’s information. If the voter was indeed eligible to vote in San Mateo County, the registration becomes permanent, and the conditional ballot will be counted.

### **Voting Rights for Persons on Parole**

In 2020, California voters passed a constitutional amendment to restore voting rights to people on parole for felony convictions. Whether or not the person was previously registered to vote, a new voter registration application must be completed.

### **California Gubernatorial Recall Election Updates**

The most comprehensive resource for San Mateo County election information is [www.smcvote.org](http://www.smcvote.org), which is updated frequently as Election Day approaches. For more information on voting services available for the California Gubernatorial Recall Election, please call or text 650.312.5222, visit [www.smcvote.org](http://www.smcvote.org) or follow us on [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#) @smcvote.

The Registration & Elections Division also offers a toll-free hotline, 888.SMC.VOTE (888.762.8683), to assist voters in any language.

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