

CITY OF PORTSMOUTH



SPECIAL ELECTION Advisory Friday, October 30, 2020

Attention Voters:

Due to the Pre-Processing of Absentee ballots, the staff will NOT be available to accept ballots outside of City Hall on Saturday October 31st. We apologize for any inconvenience. City Hall will be open from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. on Monday, November 2nd to accept ballots prior to Election Day.

Closing of City Clerk's Office:

The City Clerk's Office will be **closed** on Tuesday, November 3, 2020 to all business other than Election matters.

ELECTION DAY NOV 3 POLLING HOURS: 8 AM TO 8 PM

For everyone's safety and in accordance with the City Mask Ordinance
MASKS ARE REQUIRED AT ALL TIMES WHILE IN THE POLLING PLACE

Voting in Portsmouth is by Ward, according to place of residence. The location where residents vote depends on where they live. For the map of the City's five Wards, visit:

<http://files.cityofportsmouth.com/cityclerk/documents/votingWards.pdf>

Voting Locations:

- Ward One – New Franklin School, 1 Franklin Drive
- Ward Two – Middle School, 155 Parrott Avenue
- Ward Three – **NEW THIS YEAR** Senior Activity Center, 125 Cottage Street
- Ward Four – **NEW THIS YEAR** Portsmouth High School, 50 Andrew Jarvis Drive
- Ward Five – Little Harbour School, 50 Clough Drive

Same Day Voter Registration:

If you are not registered to vote you may do so on Election Day at your polling location.

Picture ID Required for Voting:

Remember to bring your Picture Identification to vote on Election Day. If you do not have your Picture ID you may complete a Challenged Voter Affidavit and have your photo taken by an Election Official. Note to Voter: RSA 659:13, IV (a) – The Secretary of State shall cause a letter of identity verification to be mailed by first class mail to each voter who executed a challenged voter affidavit.

Distribution or Wearing of Campaign Materials – RSA 659:43:

No person shall distribute, **wear**, or post at a polling place any campaign material in the form of a poster, card, handbill, placard, picture, pin, sticker, circular, or **article of clothing** (shirt, hat, face mask) which is intended to influence the action of the voter within the building where the election is being held.

Anyone wishing to enter the polling place will either remove or cover up any campaign materials prior to voting. If a voter refuses to comply they will be reported to the Attorney General's office for enforcement. The penalty is a violation with a fine not to exceed \$1,000.00.

Absentee Ballots:

Absentee Ballots are available at the City Clerk's Office until Monday, November 2, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. Absentee ballots must be returned to the City Clerk no later than Monday, November 2, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. in order to be counted on Election Day. Applications for an absentee ballot are located on our website or by coming into the office.

Please refer to the City Clerk webpage under Voting Information for the criteria to obtain an absentee ballot. A link to the webpage is listed below.

Sample Ballots:

Sample ballots are available on the City Clerk's webpage under Voting Information click here:

<https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/cityclerk/voting-information>

The New Hampshire Attorney General's Election Hotline is available to voters or election officials who may have concerns or questions related to elections: 1-866-868-3703 (1-866-VOTER03). In the event a caller receives voicemail, the caller should leave a message. Attorneys in the office will address each message received. Inquiries and complaints may also be submitted via email at electionlaw@doj.nh.gov. Additionally, questions related to election procedures may be directed to the New Hampshire Secretary of State's Office Elections Hotline: 1-833-726-0034 or by e-mail to: info@sos.nh.gov.