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The League of Women Voters, established in 1920, is a nonpartisan political organization dedicated to strengthening our democracy through education, action, and informed participation. The League does not endorse any political party or political candidate.

### Election Office Contact Information

#### Nebraska Secretary of State

P.O. Box 94608  
Lincoln, NE 68509  
402-471-2554  
1-888-727-0007  
[www.sos.ne.gov](http://www.sos.ne.gov)

### *Join the League!*

The League of Women Voters is a grassroots membership organization. Everyone of voting age who is interested in civil discourse, fact-based discussion, and inclusive democracy is welcome to join our organization.

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*most*  
**ex-felons**

are eligible to

***Vote!***

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**A guide to ex-felon voting  
rights in Nebraska**

presented by   
**The League of Women Voters**

# *Restore your Voice, your Power, your VOTE!*

## **The Law**

Nebraska Legislative Bill 53, passed in 2005, automatically restores voting rights to felons two years after they have completed their entire sentence, including probation, incarceration and parole.

## **How it Works**

If it has been at least two years since you have served your entire sentence you can register to vote just like any other citizen. You do not need to provide any proof of completion of your sentence.

## **What if I was Convicted of a Felony in Another State?**

You are eligible to vote in Nebraska two years after you have completed your entire sentence and you otherwise meet the voting eligibility requirements in Nebraska.

## **What if I have been Charged with a Felony but have not been Convicted?**

You are eligible to register and to vote, even if you are incarcerated while awaiting trial.

## **What if I have been Convicted of a Misdemeanor?**

Your voting rights are not affected. You are fully eligible to register and vote in all elections.

## **Do I Have to Register Before I Can Vote?**

Yes. In Nebraska, voting is a 2-part process. Every citizen who wants to vote must first register to vote at least 17 days before election day, or 10 days before election day if registering in person at the Election Commissioner's office.

## **Eligibility Requirements to Register to Vote**

A person who wants to register to vote in Nebraska must:

- ◆ be a citizen of the United States
- ◆ be at least 18 years old on or before the first Monday in November
- ◆ not have been found mentally incompetent
- ◆ if convicted of a felony, have completed the entire sentence and waited two years
- ◆ reside in Nebraska (There is no waiting period for new residents.)

## **Where can I Register?**

**In person:** at the county clerk or county election commissioner's office, at the Department of Motor Vehicles, at voter registration drives, or at public libraries. (Contact information is available on the back of this brochure.)

**By mail:** registration forms are available online at [www.sos.state.ne.us](http://www.sos.state.ne.us). Forms are also available at most public libraries and some state offices.

## **What Documents do I Need when I Register?**

None, if you register in person. You will need to provide the last four digits of your social security number or your driver's license number, but you are not required to provide the actual documents.

If you register by mail for the first time, you must include a copy of a current, valid photo ID, or another document that is no more than 60 days old showing your name and current address.