

VOTING

Did You Know...

Voters with disabilities make up **1 in 5** of the total voting population

People with disabilities are **less likely to vote** than people without disabilities

The ADA and the HAVA require state, local, and federal governments to ensure that voters with disabilities have the **same opportunity to vote** that those without disabilities enjoy

All voting areas and polls **MUST**:

Ensure Physical Access

- wheelchair-accessible voting booths
- entrances and doorways 32+ in. wide
- handrails on all stairs
- voting equipment for people who are visually impaired

Reasonably Modify Policies, Practices, & Procedures

- you may bring someone to help you vote
- vote from home

Provide Effective Communication

- sign language
- interpreters
- alternative formats



Please contact Protection and Advocacy if you need an alternative format.

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(701) 328-2950
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What If...

I have a guardian

You **cannot be denied the right to vote** unless a court has made a specific finding that you no longer have the right to vote

I have a mental illness

You **cannot be turned away** from the polls because a poll worker thinks you are “not qualified” to vote

Who Do I Ask for Help?

To Report Complaints and Problems...

- ✓ **Contact your local P&A office.** P&A will provide education, training, and assistance in filing complaints. Find your local office [here](#).
- ✓ **Contact your County Election Official.** County auditors act as chief election officers and are responsible for administering election laws, rules, and regulations. They can provide information and assist with issues arising at polling sites within their county. [Find your County Election Official](#)
- ✓ **File a Complaint with the Secretary of State’s Office.** If you feel you’ve experienced discrimination while voting fill out the [ND Election Administration Complaint Form](#).
- ✓ **File a Complaint with the US Department of Justice Civil Rights Division.** If you feel you have been discriminated against or experienced an accessibility issue while voting, fill out the [Civil Rights Violation Report](#).
- ✓ **Call the Election Protection Hotline.** The hotline is open year-round to answer questions and provide help 1-866-OUR-VOTE.

To Request or Learn About Accommodations or Accessibility...

- ✓ To **request accommodations**, ask what options you have, or to report a problem at your local polling location, visit [VoteND](#)
- ✓ For **accessible trainings** on how to exercise your rights as a voter with a disability, visit [GoVoter – SABE USA](#)
- ✓ For a course on **polling place accessibility requirements**, visit [Rocky Mountain ADA](#)
- ✓ For voting information in ASL, visit [SignVote](#)

For Additional Information...

- ✓ For a detailed **voting guide**, visit [Bazon Center for Mental Health Law](#)
- ✓ For a **toolkit on voting with a disability**, visit the [Autistic Self Advocacy Network](#)