

## Guidelines & Agreement for Voter Registration Drives and Petition Circulators

### Voter Registration Drives

Individuals or organizations may register new voters. Lane County Elections will provide up to 500 registration cards per calendar year for individuals or organizations for this purpose. Requests for cards must be made at Lane County Elections, 275 W 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Eugene OR 97401. Our office hours are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. The State Elections Division, (503) 986-1518, will supply additional cards over the 500 limit.

**Photocopying of completed cards is prohibited.**

A signed voter registration card must be returned to any election office **within five days** of being signed, unless it is returned by the voter. **ORS 247.012(2)(a)**

It is a potential violation for a person, other than the person registering to vote, to fill in parts of the voter registration card *the registering person leaves blank*, such as party affiliation or citizenship.

**Violation of this statute is a Class C Felony. ORS 247.125**

In order for a new voter to qualify for an election, a registration card must be received or postmarked by the 21st day before the election. The registration card must be signed and all required information provided.

**IMPORTANT TO NOTE:** To qualify to vote for Federal offices, including the office of President, federal laws require new registrants to complete a registration card containing the appropriate identification information sections (SEL 500 revised 10/05 or later).

Cards may be turned in to Lane County Elections during **regular business hours**.

### Petition Circulators

Petition circulators may also register voters. However, they should follow these guidelines:

- Only signatures from ACTIVE registered voters will be counted.
- Oregon residents are not qualified to sign an election petition until their registration becomes effective upon turning 18 years old. ORS 247.015

A petition circulator may register a voter by having the voter complete a registration card and turning in the card to Lane County Elections. **For a new registrant's signature to qualify on a petition, a completed registration card must be turned in at any election office on or before the same business day a petition is signed.**

Registration cards from non-registered voters gathered over weekends and holidays **will not be valid** until the registration card is received by the election office (next business day). **During a major election several days may lapse before new voter registration cards are entered, due to significantly increased volume.**

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Signature of Person Conducting Drive  
Or Representing Group Conducting Drive

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Date

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