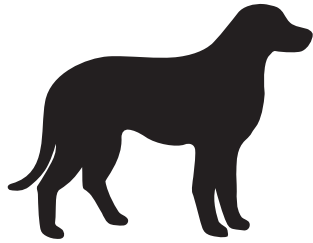


## Can my service animal be with me?

Yes. You can take your service animal to the poll and into the voting booth.



## What if I am hospitalized on or just before Election Day?

You can still vote. Ask the County Elections Office for an *Emergency Absentee* or *Hospitalized Voter Ballot*. You'll need someone to pick it up and drop it off at the poll.

## What if I make a mistake on my ballot?

Give your ballot back to the poll worker and ask for a new one. You can get up to 3 ballots.

But you cannot get a new ballot if you put your ballot in the ballot box. If you have trouble with the voting equipment, ask a poll worker to help you.

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### Need help?

Contact the Secretary of State:

**1-800-345-8683**

**TDD:** 1-800-345-8683

**Email:** [elections@ss.ca.gov](mailto:elections@ss.ca.gov)

### Or contact PAI:

**1-800-776-5746**

**TTY:** 1-800-781-4546

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## Where do I vote?

If you are registered to vote, you will get a Sample Ballot in the mail before the election. This will tell you where to vote (your poll).

## Do I have the same rights as other voters at the poll?

Yes. You have the right to a secret vote. And, you have the right to vote in a way that is easy.

## How do I know if my poll is accessible?

Look for this sign.



Accessible polls have:

- Marked accessible parking near the entrance
- A clear path from the parking area to the poll
- Doors that are wide and easy to open
- Election materials and signs in large print
- Poll workers to help you and answer your questions

## What if my poll is not accessible?

You have other options. You can:

- Vote an Absentee Ballot before the election.
- Ask to vote at an accessible poll near you.
- Use “Curbside Voting.” If you cannot come into the poll, a Poll Worker will bring a ballot to you at the curb.
- Call your County Elections Office or PAI if you have questions.

## Where can I get information about the election?

You can get an *Easy Voter Guide* at: [www.easyvoter.org](http://www.easyvoter.org).

You can get voting materials on audiotape from the:

- County Elections Office,
- library, or
- Braille Institute

## What kind of help can I expect at the polls?

Most polls have these items so you can vote easily and secretly:

- A tabletop voting booth (for wheelchair access)
- A magnifying sheet

## Can other people help me vote?

Yes. You can:

- Choose 1 or 2 people to help you in the voting booth. (Not your boss or union official.)
- Ask a poll worker to help you. But, they must not influence you, and they cannot tell anyone how you voted.
- Ask a sign language interpreter to help you. Bring your own interpreter or call your County Elections Office before the election to see if can give you an interpreter.