

48A.7A Election day and in-person absentee registration.

1. a. A person who is eligible to register to vote and to vote may register on election day by appearing in person at the polling place for the precinct in which the individual resides and completing a voter registration application, making written oath, and providing proof of identity and residence.

b. (1) For purposes of this section, a person may establish identity and residence by presenting to the appropriate precinct election official a current and valid Iowa driver’s license or Iowa nonoperator’s identification card or by presenting any of the following current and valid forms of identification if such identification contains the person’s photograph and a validity expiration date:

- (a) An out-of-state driver’s license or nonoperator’s identification card.
- (b) A United States passport.
- (c) A United States military identification card.
- (d) An identification card issued by an employer.
- (e) A student identification card issued by an Iowa high school or an Iowa postsecondary educational institution.

(2) If the photographic identification presented does not contain the person’s current address in the precinct, the person shall also present one of the following documents that shows the person’s name and current address in the precinct:

- (a) Residential lease.
- (b) Property tax statement.
- (c) Utility bill.
- (d) Bank statement.
- (e) Paycheck.
- (f) Government check.
- (g) Other government document.

c. In lieu of paragraph “b”, a person wishing to vote may establish identity and residency in the precinct by written oath of a person who is registered to vote in the precinct. The registered voter’s oath shall attest to the stated identity of the person wishing to vote and that the person is a current resident of the precinct. The oath must be signed by the attesting registered voter in the presence of the appropriate precinct election official. A registered voter who has signed an oath on election day attesting to a person’s identity and residency as provided in this paragraph is prohibited from signing any further oaths as provided in this paragraph on that day.

2. The oath required in subsection 1, paragraph “a”, and in paragraph “c”, if applicable, shall be attached to the voter registration application.

3. At any time before election day, and after the deadline for registration in section 48A.9, a person who appears in person at the commissioner’s office or at a satellite absentee voting station or whose ballot is delivered to a health care facility pursuant to section 53.22 may register to vote and vote an absentee ballot by following the procedure in this section for registering to vote on election day. A person who wishes to vote in person at the polling place on election day and who has not registered to vote before the deadline for registering in section 48A.9, is required to register to vote at the polling place on election day following the procedure in this section. However, the person may complete the voter registration application at the commissioner’s office and, after the commissioner has reviewed the completed application, may present the application to the appropriate precinct election official along with proof of identity and residency.

4. a. The form of the written oath required of the person registering under this section shall read as follows:

I, (name of registrant), do solemnly swear or affirm all of the following:

I am a resident of the precinct, ward or township, city of, county of, Iowa.

I am the person named above.

I live at the address listed below.

I do not claim the right to vote anywhere else.

I have not voted and will not vote in any other precinct in this election.

I understand that any false statement in this oath is a class “D” felony punishable by no more than five years in confinement and a fine of at least seven hundred fifty dollars but not more than seven thousand five hundred dollars.

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Signature of Registrant

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Address

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Telephone (optional to provide)

Subscribed and sworn before me on (date).

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Signature of Precinct Election Official

b. The form of the written oath required of a person attesting to the identity and residency of the registrant shall read as follows:

I, (name of registered voter), do solemnly swear or affirm all of the following:

I am a preregistered voter in this precinct or I registered to vote in this precinct today, and a registered voter did not sign an oath on my behalf. I have not signed an oath attesting to the identity and residence of any other person in this election.

I am a resident of the precinct, ward or township, city of, county of, Iowa.

I reside at (street address) in (city or township).

I personally know (name of registrant), and I personally know that (name of registrant) is a resident of the precinct, ward or township, city of, county of, Iowa.

I understand that any false statement in this oath is a class “D” felony punishable by no more than five years in confinement and a fine of at least seven hundred fifty dollars but not more than seven thousand five hundred dollars.

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Signature of Registered Voter

Subscribed and sworn before me on (date).

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Signature of Precinct Election Official

2007 Acts, ch 35, §2, 7; 2007 Acts, ch 215, §242; 2008 Acts, ch 1115, §73 – 75
Referred to in §39A.2, 48A.9, 48A.14, 48A.25A, 48A.26, 48A.26A, 49.11, 49.77, 49.79, 53.2