

Voting with a Criminal Record

Your criminal record does **not** affect your right to vote in Minnesota unless you are currently serving a felony conviction sentence, including probation or parole, in any state.

Voting after a felony conviction

You can vote in Minnesota after you finish all parts of your sentence—including any probation, parole, or supervised release—from any state.

As soon as you finish your sentence, or are “off-paper,” you can vote, but you first need to register. The deadline to register before Election Day this year is three weeks before election day. If you are not registered by then, you may still register at your polling place on Election Day.

Visit mnvotes.org for registration information or to complete an application.

Not sure about your legal status?

If you have questions about your record, you can talk to your probation officer/agent or call the Minnesota Department of Corrections at 651-361-7200 and speak with the records department.

Can I vote if...

I was charged with or convicted of a misdemeanor or gross misdemeanor?

YES

I'm in jail, but am not currently serving a felony sentence?

YES

I've been charged with a felony, but I haven't been convicted?

YES

I've been given a stay of adjudication?

YES

I finished all parts of my felony sentence in another state?

YES

I finished all parts of my felony sentence, including probation or parole?

YES

I'm currently serving a felony sentence, including probation or parole?

NO

My stay of adjudication was revoked and I'm currently serving a felony sentence?

NO



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