

GET READY TO VOTE



**EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO
KNOW ABOUT **VOTER ID** IN
2024**



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Millions of us are set to go to the polls on **Thursday 2nd May, 2024, but the way we vote has changed. **You must bring photo ID, or "voter ID" with you, in order to be eligible to cast your ballot.** Get ready to vote today, in three simple steps.**

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STEP 1: CHECK YOU CAN VOTE

You must be registered in order to vote. Register by 11:59pm on 16 April 2024 to vote in the following elections on 2 May 2024:

- Police and Crime Commissioner elections in England and Wales
- Local government elections in England
- Parish council elections in England
- Local authority mayoral elections
- Combined authority mayoral elections
- Mayor of London and London Assembly elections



Scan the QR code or visit [gov.uk/register-to-vote](https://www.gov.uk/register-to-vote)



STEP 2: IDENTIFICATION

For the upcoming May 2nd elections, having a **valid photo ID is mandatory to vote** but if you don't have one then you can still apply for a voter ID that will allow you to get involved. This section covers acceptable IDs and how to secure one if needed.

WHAT CAN I USE AS VOTER ID?

International travel

- Passport issued by the UK, any of the Channel Islands, the Isle of Man, a British Overseas Territory, an EEA state or a Commonwealth country (including an Irish Passport Card)
- Driving and Parking
- Driving licence issued by the UK, any of the Channel Islands, the Isle of Man, or an EEA state (this includes a provisional driving licence)
- A Blue Badge

Local travel

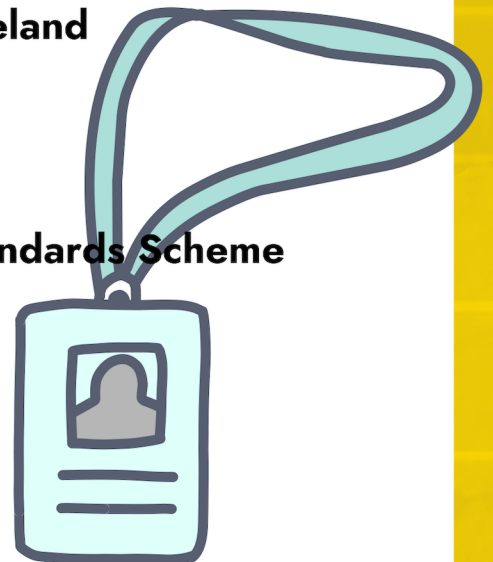
- Older Person's Bus Pass funded by the UK Government
- Disabled Person's Bus Pass funded by the UK Government
- Oyster 60+ Card funded by the funded by the UK Government
- Freedom Pass



- **Scottish National Entitlement Card** issued for the purpose of concessionary travel (including a 60+, disabled or under 22s bus pass)
- **60 and Over Welsh Concessionary Travel Card**
- **Disabled Person's Welsh Concessionary Travel Card**
- **Senior SmartPass** issued in Northern Ireland
- **Registered Blind SmartPass or Blind Person's SmartPass** issued in Northern Ireland
- **War Disablement SmartPass** issued in Northern Ireland
- **60+ SmartPass** issued in Northern Ireland
- **Half Fare SmartPass** issued in Northern Ireland

Proof of age

- **Identity card bearing the Proof of Age Standards Scheme hologram (a PASS card)**



Other government issued documents

- **Biometric immigration document**
- **Ministry of Defence Form 90 (Defence Identity Card)**
- **National identity card issued by an EEA state**
- **Electoral Identity Card issued in Northern Ireland**
- **Voter Authority Certificate**
- **Anonymous Elector's Document**

HOW MANY FORMS OF ID DO I NEED?

You will only need to show one form of photo ID. It needs to be the original version and not a photocopy.

WHAT IF MY ID IS OUT OF DATE?

You can still use your photo ID if it's out of date, as long as it looks like you. The name on your ID should be the same name you used to register to vote. Find out more about the rules around expired ID.

WHAT IF I DON'T HAVE ID?

If you do not have a valid photo ID, you can apply for a free Voter ID document called a 'Voter Authority Certificate'.

The deadline to apply for a free voter ID document is 5pm on Wednesday, 24th April 2024.

[Apply for a free voter ID document at electoralcommission.org.uk](https://electoralcommission.org.uk) or scan the QR code below.



CAN I VOTE BY POST?

Another option is to apply for a postal vote.

To vote by post, you must prove your identity when applying and reapply for a postal vote every three years.

The deadline to apply for a postal vote for the elections on Thursday 2 May is 5pm on Wednesday 17 April.

You must also be registered to vote by 11:59pm on Tuesday 16 April.

[Apply at gov.uk/apply-postal-vote](https://www.gov.uk/apply-postal-vote) or scan the QR code below.



STEP 3: VOTE FOR HOPE

Our communities are stronger when we put aside our differences and come together. But across the UK there is a small but committed core of far-right candidates standing for election with histories of extreme views, legal troubles and divisive tactics.

Voting is the best way to show that the far-right are not welcome and they do not have support. For your family and your community, choose HOPE over hate on 02 May.

Please share this page with your friends and family, to let them know that the way we vote has changed, and remind them to take their Photo ID when they vote.

Visit HOPEnothate.org.uk/vote to find out more.

