QUEER THE VOTE 2020 NATIONAL LGBTQ TASK FORCE

Registration Deadlines	Primary Election	General Election
30 days prior to the election by mail or in person	March 10, 2020	November 3, 2020

Mississippi primaries are considered to be open primaries. Mississippi law states that a voter can only participate in a party's primary if they 'intend to support the nomination of the primary.' Since intent is difficult to prove, voters can choose the primary they want to participate in.

National Elections

- President
- Senate seat: Cindy Hyde-Smith
- 4 House seats

State Elections

• 4 seats on the State Supreme Court

Voting Eligibility

To register to vote in Mississippi, you must be a U.S. citizen, a resident of Mississippi and the county/city/town for 30 days prior to the election, and at least 18 years old by the next general election. Additionally, any individual who has been convicted of a disenfranchising crime cannot vote unless their civil rights have been restored by the Governor or their suffrage rights restored by the Legislature.

Voter Registration

You can register to vote in Mississippi either in person or by mail. To register by mail, you must complete a mail-in <u>voter registration application</u> and provide your driver's license number or the last four digits of your Social Security number. If you do not provide one of these, you must submit a copy or a current and valid photo ID or a copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or other government document showing your name and address. You can then mail your application to the Circuit Clerk's Office in your county of residence, and it must be postmarked 30 days before the election.

You can register to vote in person at the Circuit or Municipal Clerk's Office, the Department of Public Safety, or any state or federal agency offering government services. You must register 30 days before the next election.

Voter Identification

All Mississippi voters must provide identification when voting. If you do not present acceptable ID or are unable to do so because of a religious objection, you will be permitted to cast an affidavit ballot. If you did not present acceptable ID, you must present acceptable photo ID in the clerk's office within 5 business days of the election to have your voted counted. If you case an affidavit ballot for religious reasons, you must complete an Affidavit of Religious Objection with the clerk's office within 5 business days of the election to have your vote counted. Acceptable forms of photo ID include:

- Driver's license or government-issued photo ID card
- U.S. passport
- Government employee photo ID card
- Firearms license
- Student photo ID issued by an accredited Mississippi postsecondary institution
- U.S. military photo ID or any photo ID issued by any branch/department/agency of the U.S. or Mississippi State government
- Mississippi Voter Identification Card

If you encounter any issues when voting, call the Election Protection Hotline at 1-866-OUR-VOTE. Si tiene problemas al votar, contacte la línea directa para la protección del votante al 1-888-VE-Y-VOTA.