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Voter ID - Partner Pack

Supporting people who are
registered anonymously to
vote in the 2023 local elections

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The UK Government has introduced a requirement for voters to show photo ID when voting at a polling station at some elections. This new requirement will apply for the first time in England at the local elections on Thursday 4 May 2023.

When someone registers to vote, their name and address will appear on the electoral register. If someone feels that their name and address being on the electoral register could affect their safety, or the safety of someone in their household, they can register to vote anonymously.

This means they will still be able to vote, but their name and address will not be on the electoral register. Find out more about registering to vote anonymously, including how to support people you work with to apply, at www.electoralcommission.org.uk/i-am-a/voter/register-vote/register-vote-anonymously

Unlike other voters who will be able to use a range of different forms of photo ID, voters who are registered to vote anonymously will need to apply for a free Anonymous Electors Document.

Supporting people to get ready for voter ID

We know that people who are registered to vote anonymously are more likely to experience barriers in preparing for this change and may need support to apply for an Anonymous Electors Document.

What's in this pack?

We've created this pack for organisations in England. It's designed to help you raise awareness, and support people you work with to apply for an Anonymous Electors Document.

What you'll find in this pack:

- **A guide for your staff and volunteers**
- **A booklet for voters**
- **Posters**
- **Digital resources**, including social media graphics and template social copy
- **Other resources**, including web and newsletter copy

Organisations working directly with domestic abuse survivors, and other people who are registered to vote anonymously, can play an important role in supporting voters to participate in the upcoming elections.

The Electoral Commission is the independent body which oversees elections and regulates political finance in the UK. We work to promote public confidence in the democratic process and ensure its integrity.

If you have any questions about this pack, you can contact us at partners@electoralcommission.org.uk.

You can also sign up for our voter registration newsletter at electoralcommission.org.uk/democratic-engagement-resources, to stay up to date with our campaigns.

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Printable resources



Guide for staff and volunteers

Download our guide for staff and volunteers, which provides the key information they will need to help

people they support to understand the new voter ID requirement. The guide can be used digitally or printed, and explains:

- **Anonymous voter registration**
- **Applying for an Anonymous Electors Document**
- **What anonymous electors can expect at the polling station**
- **Other ways to vote**

There are two versions of our guide for staff and volunteers. One is designed to be viewed on a computer and has a coloured background. The other is designed to be printed out and has a white background.

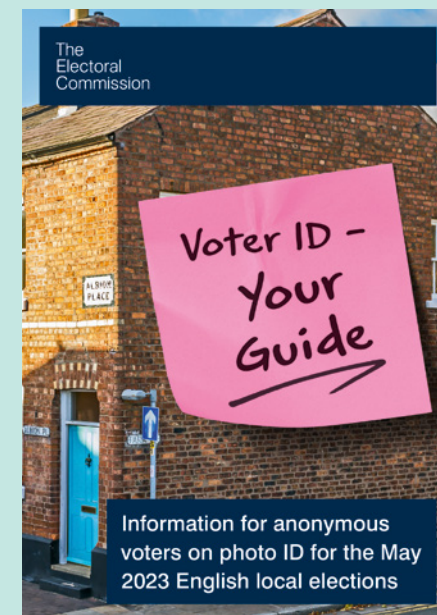


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Voter booklet

Download our booklet for voters, which explains:

- **How to register to vote**
- **Which forms of ID will be accepted**
- **How to apply for a Voter Authority Certificate**
- **What to expect at the polling station**
- **Other ways to vote**



Download versions in English

Versions available in English:

- Accessible onscreen
- Print ready colour
- Print ready greyscale
- Commercial print

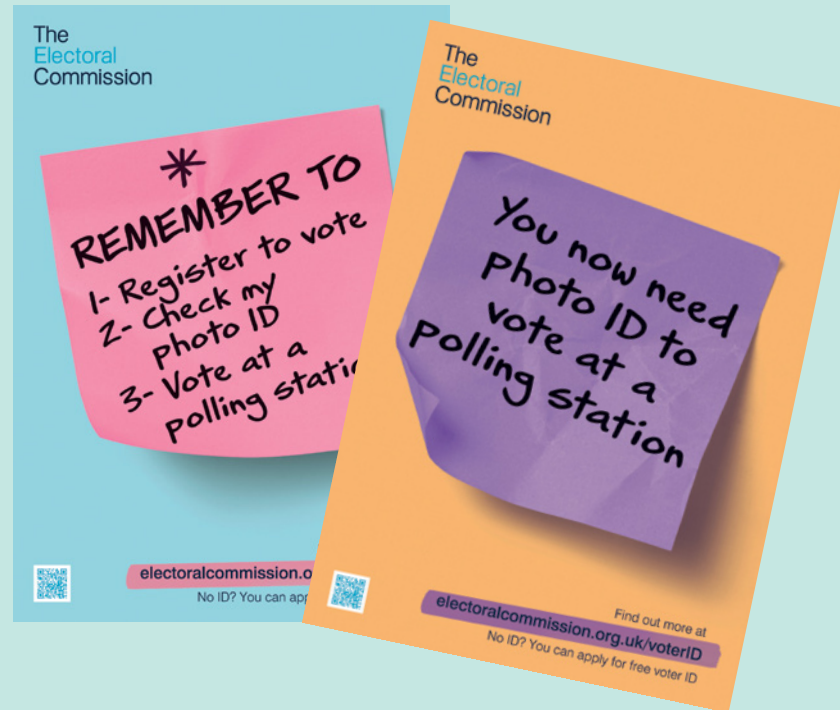


Download translated versions

We expect to publish translations of this Voter booklet into Polish, Arabic, French, Spanish, Portuguese, Urdu, Gujarati and Chinese (simplified) in early 2023.

Posters

Download A4 and A3 posters to raise awareness of the new voter ID requirement.



**Download the
ready to print
versions**

You can print these directly
from your own printer



**Download the
commercial
print versions**

These have crop and bleed
marks which are essential if
you are planning to have these
professionally printed



Download all printable resources in English

Digital resources

Social media graphics

Ready to post graphics are available for Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. These can also be shared through community WhatsApp groups.

These are JPEG files you can download and share



Download the ready to post graphics

Social media posts

You can download template copy to share key messages about the voter ID requirement on your social channels.



Download social media posts



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Other resources

Web and newsletter copy

You can download template copy to share information about the voter ID requirement and how to apply for a Voter Authority Certificate on your website and newsletters.



Download web and newsletter copy

Other partner packs

You can also download bespoke resources to help groups who are more likely to need support to prepare for the new voter ID requirement, including:

- **Disabled people**
- **Gypsy, Roma and Traveller communities**
- **Older people**
- **People experiencing homelessness**
- **Trans and non-binary people**



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Template press copy

You can download template press copy to raise awareness of the voter ID requirement in your local area.



Download press materials