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NEW WISCONSIN VOTER PHOTO ID RULES

Major Changes

October 10, 2016 -- Most voters already have one of the types of photo ID's required to vote. But Beloit City Clerk Lori Stottler urges voters in the City of Beloit to plan now to make sure they have an acceptable photo ID in order to vote in the November 8, 2016 General and Presidential Elections.

Election Day

On Election Day, voters must provide one of the following photo IDs before they can cast a ballot. The following IDs are still valid if expired if they expired since November 4, 2014:

- Wisconsin DOT-issued driver license, even if driving privileges are revoked or suspended
- Wisconsin DOT-issued identification card
- Military ID card issued by the U.S. Uniformed Services
- -U.S. passport book or card

The following forms of photo ID are also acceptable:

- A certificate of naturalization, within 2 years of issuance
- Driver license receipt issued by the WI DOT, within 45 days of issuance
- ID issued by a federally recognized Wisconsin Indian Tribe (Can still be used if expired)
- Veterans Affairs ID Card (must be unexpired or have no expiration)
- A photo ID issued by a Wisconsin accredited university or college, or technical college along with an enrollment verification document. The card must show the voter's name, signature, photo, the date the card was issued, and the date the card expires. The issued date cannot be more than two years from the expiration date. The card may still be used to vote even if it is expired.

An acceptable photo ID is not required to include a current address.

If you do not have a valid WI Driver's License or WI State ID you can receive a free WI State ID from your local DMV if you specifically request a free ID for voting purposes. If you don't have documentation, like a birth certificate, you can still get a free ID for voting after one visit to the DMV using their petition process. Please contact your local DMV or your Local Clerk for more information.

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Absentee Voting

During in-person absentee voting, voters must present photo ID just like on Election Day. In the City of Beloit in-person absentee voting has already begun and will end on November 4, 2016.

Voting an absentee ballot in person:

You may vote an absentee ballot in the clerk's office: Lorena Rae Stottler, City Clerk
100 State Street, Beloit, WI 53511 – 608-364-6680
8:00 am to 4:30 pm (Monday-Friday)

The first day to vote an absentee ballot in the clerk's office was 5:00 p.m.:

September 26, 2016

The last day to vote an absentee ballot in the clerk's office is 5:00 p.m.:

November 4, 2016

Voting an absentee ballot by mail:

When voters request an absentee ballot by mail, they must include a photocopy of their photo ID with the request, or the ballot cannot be mailed. You only need to provide your copy of photo ID once to vote by mail. Voters who are “indefinitely confined” because of age, illness, infirmity or disability, and who select this option when requesting their ballot, do not need to provide a photo ID when voting by mail. Active members of the U.S. Armed Services who are away from home are also exempt from the photo ID requirement when voting by mail.

For specific questions on how the Voter ID law affects you please contact my office at (608) 364-6680 or email StottlerL@beloitwi.gov or stop in at 100 State Street, Beloit, WI 53511.

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