

Protect Your Vote, New York!

This year's primary highlighted the myriad problems New Yorkers routinely face at the polls. New Yorkers should feel empowered to protect their vote if they encounter problems on November 6th.

If there is a problem, DO NOT LEAVE without voting on an affidavit or emergency ballot. No matter what, if you believe that you are registered to vote, you are entitled to vote on an affidavit ballot! If all else fails, filling out the affidavit ballot gets you registered for the next election.

What do I do if my name or my spouse/friend/son/daughter's name is not on the voter roll?

- First, ask the poll worker to check again.
- Ask the poll worker to check if you are at the right location or use the poll site locator https://voterlookup.elections.ny.gov/ to be sure that you are at the correct polling place and at the correct table (i.e., ED or Election District).
- If you are at the right voting location, vote on an affidavit ballot (a paper ballot that you vote and seal in an envelope be sure to fill out the envelope completely and correctly) or go your local Board of Elections and demand to see the election day judge.

What do I do if the scanner isn't working and everyone is standing around?

- Call your local Board of Elections to be sure they know about the problem.
- Call 1-866-OUR-VOTE.
- If you can't wait, ask to vote on an emergency ballot (not an affidavit ballot), which goes into a special box and will be counted.

What if I moved and forgot to change my registration?

- If you moved within the same county or city, you are entitled to vote on an affidavit ballot AT YOUR NEW ADDRESS.
- If you moved from a different county or city, your vote won't count. But if you fill out an affidavit ballot, you will be re-registered.