



Ohio

## Guidance for Naturalized Citizens Voting in Person

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- The Ohio Secretary of State has imposed a **new requirement** that naturalized citizens who still have a Driver's License or State ID Card that is marked "noncitizen" on the back, must also produce proof of citizenship before voting in person.
- These voters are US citizens – they most likely got their driver license/ID before they became naturalized.
- Individuals who have one of these Driver's License or ID cards marked on the back of their ID with a "\*" for being a non-citizen will be required to complete a "10-U" form at their polling place and provide an additional document to prove their citizenship. The Secretary has specified that a U.S. passport, certificate of naturalization, or certificate of citizenship counts as sufficient proof of citizenship. Copies of certificates of naturalization or citizenship are probably acceptable.
- If a person with this type of ID provides this additional documentation and completes the 10-U form, they must be allowed to vote a regular ballot.
- If a person with this type of ID does not have their naturalization papers, U.S. passport, or other documentation to prove their citizenship with them, they should still be allowed to vote a provisional ballot. They then may cure their provisional ballot by going to their local board of elections with their proof of citizenship within four days after the election.
- Per the Secretary of State's recent guidance, only voters with the non-citizen notation on their license or ID can be challenged as allegedly being non-citizens; no other voters should be subjected to this challenge. If election officials try to challenge another voter's citizenship, you should call 1-866-OUR-VOTE immediately.
- Additionally, unfortunately if a person only has a Driver's License/ID that says on *the front* that it is "non-renewable/non-transferable," this is not acceptable ID for voting in Ohio. This person will most likely not be able to vote a regular ballot, but must be permitted to vote provisionally. But note: these "nonrenewable" IDs are different from those IDs that only have "noncitizen" on the back.