

Register to vote – Eligibility

Age - At what age can I register to vote?

You can register to vote if you are aged 16 or over, but you will not be eligible to vote until you are 18.

By registering at the age of 16, it means that your local authority will be able to move you to the live electoral register once you reach the age of 18.

Residence

Everyone over the age of 18 who is ordinarily resident in the State can register to vote. You will be registered at the address at which you are 'ordinarily resident'. This is where you live.

Citizenship

- You must be living full time in the State to be eligible to vote.
- We will ask you for your nationality in your application as this may affect which elections you can vote in.
 - An Irish citizen- you are eligible to vote in all elections and referendums
 - An EU citizen- you are eligible to vote in European and local elections
 - A British citizen- you are eligible to vote in Dáil and local elections
 - All other- you are eligible to vote in local elections