


# How to Become a Poll Worker for the General Election

New Jersey's counties, in partnership with the New Jersey Division of Elections, are actively seeking residents to serve as poll workers for the upcoming General Election, Tuesday, November 3, 2026.

Here are the answers to three top questions about becoming a poll worker:

## 1... WHY SHOULD I APPLY?

Your community needs you! By staffing a polling location, you will:

- Earn $300 on General Election Day.
- See our great democracy in action, firsthand, and enjoy the feeling that comes with contributing to your local community, your state and your country.

## 2... WHO CAN APPLY?

You can apply to serve as a poll worker in New Jersey if you:

- Are a United States citizen and a resident of New Jersey.
- Are a registered voter in the county in which you reside.
- Are at least 16 years of age. College and high school students are encouraged to apply.
  Note: Those under 18 years of age will work limited hours per shift and do not have to be registered to vote. Contact the County Board of Elections for further information.
- Are not running as a candidate in this election.

## 3... WHAT ELSE DO I NEED TO KNOW?

To be a poll worker, you must be available to work from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at an assigned polling place within your county on General Election Day, Tuesday, November 3. Hours may vary.

## Apply now at PollWorker.NJ.Gov!

*To learn more, access our Voter Education Video Series at Vote.NJ.gov or scan here.*

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