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## **Early voting for November election starts Oct. 2**

LINCOLN – The general election is set for Nov. 7, but Nebraska voters can get a head start by voting early beginning Oct. 2.

“I want to emphasize that any registered voter can vote early for any reason,” Nebraska Secretary of State John Gale said. “This can be done by a walk-in vote at county election offices or by casting a ballot by mail.”

He urged eligible Nebraskans who aren’t registered voters to take the time to register, so they can vote in the November election. Registration forms are available at many sites, including post offices, county election offices, motor vehicle offices and online at [www.sos.state.ne.us](http://www.sos.state.ne.us).

Gale reminded registered voters to update their registration if they have moved. Updating the registration will avoid delays at the polling site due to additional paperwork.

He listed the following deadlines for voter registration and early voting for the November election:

**--Registering to vote:** Mail-in registrations must be postmarked by Oct. 20. Registrations close at state agencies, county treasurer offices and motor vehicle offices on Oct. 20. In-person registration at county election offices ends at 6 p.m. Oct. 27. This includes registration changes such as updating an address.

**--Requesting early-voting ballots:** Registered voters can make requests in writing until 4 p.m. Nov. 1 for early-voting ballots to be mailed.

**--Casting early-voting ballots:** Nov. 6 is the deadline for in-person early voting at county election offices. The close of polls on Nov. 7 is the deadline for the return of early-voting ballots.

People with questions can contact the Secretary of State's Office at (402) 471-2555 or their county election office.

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