

Voting on 18 May (Federal)

If you are an Australian citizen aged 18 years or older, you are required to vote in the Federal election on 18 May 2019. Fines apply for not voting.

You must be correctly enrolled by **8pm local time Thursday 18 April 2019**. You can check your enrolment details (address, etc) on <https://check.aec.gov.au/>.

If you are not enrolled you can [enrol](#) online, or [update your name](#) or [address](#).

Older voters should be wary of election scams and offers to help with forms by political opportunists at aged-care centres, etc. Relatives should be vigilant.

Voting before the election

Early voting for the federal election commences Monday 29 April 2019.

If you can't get to a polling place on election day, you can vote at an early voting centre in Australia.

A list of early voting centres will be available shortly. Eligibility rules below.

If you're overseas

If you're overseas during the federal election period, you can vote [by post](#) or at an [overseas voting centre](#). Conditions apply.

- [List of overseas voting centres](#)
- [Related: Information for overseas electors](#)

Postal voting

- [Apply for a postal vote](#)

AEC mobile voting

AEC mobile polling teams visit many voters who are not able to get to a polling place. Mobile polling facilities are set up in some hospitals, nursing homes, prisons and remote areas of Australia. Mobile polling is carried out around Australia during the election period.

A list of locations the AEC will be visiting will be available shortly.

Telephone voting

If you are blind or have low vision, you can cast your vote through the AEC's telephone voting service. More information on this service will be made available shortly.

Voters living with disability may also be eligible to cast their vote by post, or can vote with assistance at a polling place.

- [Further information for voters with disability or mobility restriction.](#)

Voting on election day

You can vote at any polling place in your state or territory on election day. Polling places are usually located at local schools, churches and community halls, or public buildings.

A list of polling places will be available shortly.

- [Further information about voting at a polling place](#)

Away travelling?

If you are outside the state where you are enrolled on election day, you will need to vote early by post or later at an interstate voting centre. A list of interstate voting centre will be available soon.

Early voting eligibility

You can vote early either in person or by post if on election day you:

- are outside the electorate where you are enrolled to vote
- are more than 8km from a polling place
- are travelling
- are unable to leave your workplace to vote
- are seriously ill, infirm or due to give birth shortly (or caring for someone who is)
- are a patient in hospital and can't vote at the hospital
- have religious beliefs that prevent you from attending a polling place
- are in prison serving a sentence of less than three years or otherwise detained
- are a silent elector
- have a reasonable fear for your safety.

