

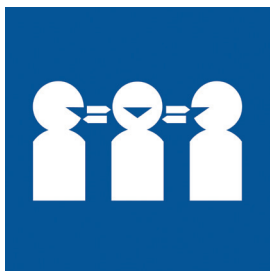
Easy English

Enrolling and Voting – For People Out of Home



Victorian Electoral Commission

You can get this information in different ways



Other languages

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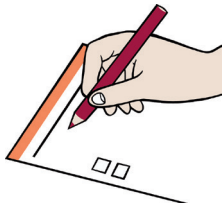
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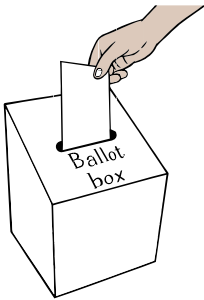


people who do not have a safe place to live.

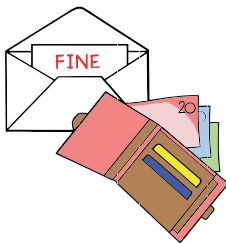
It is about



- enrolling to vote

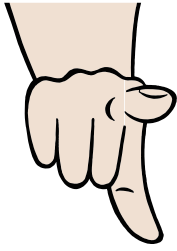


- voting in elections



- non-voting fines.

What is voting?



An election is when you make a choice about who is in charge.

To make a choice you need to vote.

All votes are equal.

Voting is your human right.



Why should I vote?

You can help choose who is in government.

The government makes decisions about your community. For example, about

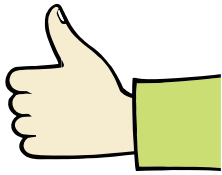
- health
- schools
- housing.

Australia has 3 types of government.

There is the

- Federal government
- State government
- local council.

You want to vote



You need to enrol. This means you need to put your name on a list.



Who can enrol?

You can enrol if you are

- an Australian citizen
- and**
- aged 18 years or older.



An Australian citizen is a person who was

- born in Australia
- or**
- born overseas but now lives in Australia.

This person has made a special promise to follow the laws in Australia. This person has become an Australian citizen.

How to enrol



If you do not have a safe place to live
you can still enrol to vote.



You do not need ID to enrol

Someone who is already enrolled to vote can
confirm your identity.



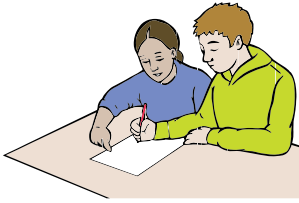
To enrol, get a **no fixed address form** from

- a support worker

or

- the Victorian Electoral Commission.

How to enrol

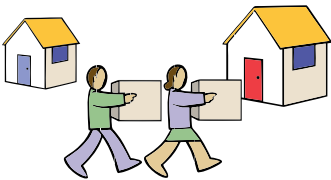


Ask someone you know to help you fill in the form.

For example, a

- friend
- family member
- support worker.

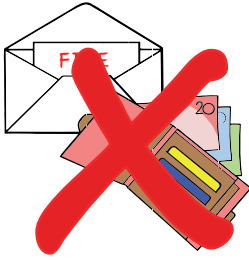
This person needs to be enrolled to vote.



If you move into a permanent house you need a different form.

Talk to your support worker.

Fines



If you have never enrolled before

You will **not** be fined.

We want everyone to enrol to vote.



What if I have a fine for not voting?

Do not panic. Do not ignore it.

- Call the Victorian Electoral Commission

Ask a support worker to help you.



Where to vote

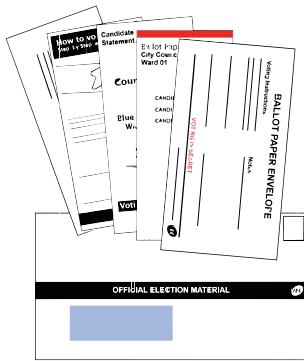
You may be able to vote at a

- housing service you use

or

a voting centre for State elections.

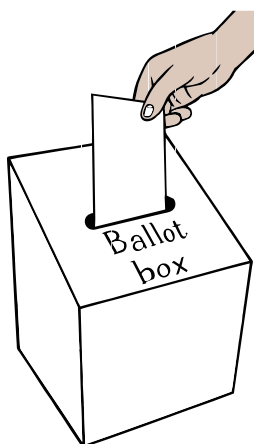
If you can't vote in person, you can apply for a postal vote.



All council elections use postal votes only - you get a ballot pack in the mail.

Ask a support worker about this.

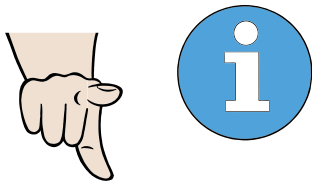
If you fill out the **no fixed address form**, your ballot pack will be sent to the address where you said you collect your mail.



Voting is secret

You do not have to show anyone your vote.

My information



When you enrol, your name goes on a list. This list is called an **electoral roll**.

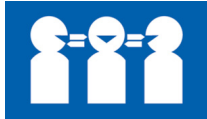


Who can see the electoral roll?

Anyone can view the electoral roll.

If you enrol using a **no fixed address form** only your name will appear on the roll.

How do I get this information in other languages?



Telephone the number you need

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عربي (Arabic)

إذا أردت المزيد من المعلومات التفصيلية، وبجاجة للإستعانة بمترجم شفهي، يُرجى الاتصال على الرقم (03) 9209 0100.

Bosanski (Bosnian)

Ako su vam potrebne detaljnije informacije i pomoć prevodioca, nazovite (03) 9209 0191.

中文繁體 (Cantonese)

如果需要詳細資料和傳譯員協助，請電 (03) 9209 0101。

Hrvatski (Croatian)

Ako su vam potrebne detaljnije informacije i pomoć tumača, nazovite (03) 9209 0102.

دري (Dari)

اگر به معلومات مفصلتر و کمک ترجمان ضرورت دارید، به تيلفون شماره (03) 9209 0193 زنگ بزنيد.

Dinka

Na koor yin lëk juëc cï kek cuiir ku kuɔɔny de athok /raan ë thok waaric, yuöpä (03) 9209 0119.

Ελληνικά (Greek)

Αν χρειάζεστε πιο λεπτομερείς πληροφορίες και τη βοήθεια διερμηνέα, τηλεφωνήστε στο (03) 9209 0103.

Italiano (Italian)

Se hai bisogno di informazioni più particolareggiate e dell'assistenza di un interprete, telefona al (03) 9209 0104.

ខ្មែរ (Khmer)

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For Information in all other languages telephone 9209 0112

한국어 (Korean)

더 자세한 내용을 원하시거나 통역 서비스가 필요하시면 (03)9209 0194번으로 연락하시기 바랍니다.

Македонски (Macedonian)

Ако сакате подетални информации и помош со преведувач јавете се на (03) 9209 0105.

中文简体 (Mandarin)

如果需要详细资料和传译员协助，请电 (03) 9209 0106。

فارسی (Persian)

اگر اطلاعات مفصل تر یا کمک یک مترجم را می خواهید به شماره (03)9209 0195 تلفن کنید.

Русский (Russian)

Если вам нужна более подробная информация и помощь переводчика, то позвоните по номеру (03) 9209 0196.

Српски (Serbian)

Ако су вам потребне детаљније информације и помоћ тумача, позовите (03) 9209 0107.

Soomaali (Somali)

Haddii aad u baahan tahay macluumaad faahfaahsan oo intaas ka badan iyo caawimada mutarjumka, wac (03)9209 0108.

Español (Spanish)

Si necesita información más detallada y la asistencia de un intérprete, llame al teléfono (03) 9209 0109.

Türkçe (Turkish)

Daha ayrıntılı bilgi edinmek istemeniz ve bir çevirmene gerek duymanız durumunda, (03)9209 0110 numaralı telefonu arayın.

Việt-ngữ (Vietnamese)

Nếu quý vị cần thêm thông tin chi tiết và sự giúp đỡ của thông dịch viên, hãy điện thoại số (03) 9209 0111.



More information

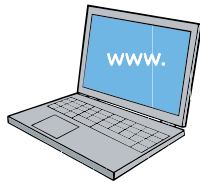


Ask your support worker



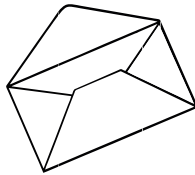
Contact us

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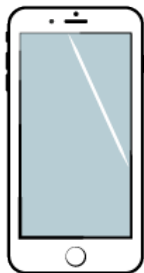
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Phone

131 832

+ 61 3 8620 1100 (from outside Victoria)

If you are deaf, hard of hearing, and/or have speech impairment phone National Relay Service 133 677 and ask for 03 8620 1100.



For speech-to-speech relay phone 1300 555 727 and ask for 03 8620 1100.



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- Vote in 2020 the Melbourne City Council Postal Elections

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