



Who needs an ID?

All Mississippians voting at the polls are required to show a photo ID card. Individuals voting in person by absentee ballot in the Circuit Clerk's Office prior to Election Day are also required to show a photo ID.

There are three exemptions:

- Any Mississippi registered voter who states he/she does not have acceptable photo identification because of a religious objection to being photographed shall be entitled to vote by affidavit ballot without being required to show a photo ID.

The ballot will not be rejected for this reason if the voter signs a separate affidavit before the Circuit Clerk within five days of the election.

- Eligible Mississippi voters do not need a photo ID if voting by absentee ballot by mail instead of voting in person at the polls or at a Circuit Clerk's Office.

This exemption also applies to eligible voters who are Uniformed Military and Overseas Voters (UOCAVA) who cast an absentee ballot by FAX, email or mail.

- Any registered voter who resides at a state-licensed care facility and who votes in person at a polling place located in that state-licensed care facility does not need a photo ID in order to vote.

