

116.055 Qualifications for voting in a primary.

- (1) Before a person shall be qualified to vote in a primary, he or she:
 - (a) Shall possess all the qualifications required of voters in a regular election;
 - (b) Shall have been a registered member of the party in whose primary he or she seeks to vote on December 31 immediately preceding the primary; and
 - (c) Shall have remained continuously registered as a member of that party in whose primary he or she seeks to vote between December 31 immediately preceding the primary and the date set for the primary.
- (2) In the case of a new registration made after December 31 immediately preceding the primary, a voter shall have registered and remained continuously registered as a member of the party in whose primary he or she seeks to vote from the date of registration until the date set for the primary.
- (3) Any voter who withdraws his or her registration after December 31 immediately preceding the primary, and reregisters as a voter with a different party affiliation, during those periods that the registration books are open immediately preceding the primary, shall not be eligible to vote in the upcoming primary.
- (4) No person shall be allowed to vote for any party candidates or slates of candidates other than that of the party of which he or she is a registered member.
- (5) The qualifications shall be determined as of the date of the primary, without regard to the qualifications or disqualifications as they may exist at the succeeding regular election, except that minors seventeen (17) years of age who will become eighteen (18) years of age on or before the day of the regular election shall be entitled to vote in the primary if otherwise qualified. However, any registered voter, whether registered as a member of a party, political organization, political group, or as an independent, shall be qualified to vote in a primary for candidates listed in all nonpartisan races.

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