

**1. WHAT DOES A RECALL BALLOT LOOK LIKE**

The ballot will ask two questions:

- 1) Do you want to recall the governor?
- 2) If recalled, who do you want to replace him?

Voters may vote on either one or both questions on the recall ballot.

**2. DO I NEED TO APPLY FOR A MAIL BALLOT?**

**No.** All registered voters will automatically receive a ballot in the mail for the upcoming election. No application is needed. This is a requirement of [Senate Bill 29](#), which requires county elections officials to mail a ballot to all registered voters 29 days prior to an election.

**3. WHO CAN VOTE IN THIS ELECTION?**

Any registered voter in the state of California may vote in the gubernatorial recall election. To confirm or update your voter registration status [www.registertovote.ca.gov](http://www.registertovote.ca.gov).

**4. WHEN IS THE DEADLINE TO REGISTER TO VOTE IN THIS ELECTION?**

August 30, 2021 is the deadline to register to vote in this election. You will need to re-register when you move, change your name or change your political party. You can do this by completing a new registration form online at [www.registertovote.ca.gov](http://www.registertovote.ca.gov). Voter registration forms are also available at the Post Office, Department of Motor Vehicles, libraries, and the Registrar of Voters office at 546 Jay Street, Suite 200 Colusa CA 95932. If you miss the deadline to register, you may register conditionally in-person at the Registrar of Voters office or at a polling place on Election Day.

**5. WHAT IS A CONDITIONAL VOTER REGISTRATION?**

If you do not register to vote by the August 30th deadline, you may still conditionally register and cast a provisional ballot. To do that, you must visit the Colusa County Registrar of Voters office during the 14 days prior to and including Election Day or go to one of the polling places in the county on September 14, 2021. Once your voter registration is processed and determined to be eligible, your registration becomes permanent. Then the provisional ballot you cast can be counted.

**6. WHERE ARE THE VOTING LOCATIONS?**

There are 9 in-person voting locations throughout the county. To find your assigned voting location use the “Find Poll Place” <https://voterinfo.countyofcolusa.com/electiondatalookup/pollplacelookup.aspx> lookup tool on the Colusa County Elections Home Page, type in the information and click search to find your polling place. A full list of all locations is available on the Colusa County Voter Guide that was mailed to every voter with their ballot.

**7. WHAT IF I WANT TO VOTE BUT CANNOT MAKE IT TO A VOTING LOCATION ON ELECTION DAY?**

Mail ballots have been sent to all active registered voters giving you time to cast your ballot before Election Day. You can return your ballot in any of the following ways:

- By mail, no postage needed
- Use the Official Ballot Drop Box located at 546 Jay Street, Colusa. This drop box is available 24 hours a day up until 8:00p.m. on September 14, 2021
- Deliver to the Colusa County Elections Office located at 546 Jay Street, Suite 200, Colusa during business hours Monday – Friday 8:30-5:00pm (Excluding holidays) and on Election Day 7:00a.m. 8:00p.m.
- Use curbside service. Service will operate at 546 Jay Street, on September 13, 2021 8:30a.m. – 4:00p.m. and on September 14, 2021 7:00a.m. – 8:00p.m.

Any mail ballot postmarked on or before Election Day and received by the Registrar of Voters no later than Tuesday, September 21, 2021, will be considered timely cast.

**8. WHERE CAN I FIND INFORMATION ABOUT THE GUBERNATORIAL REPLACEMENT CANDIDATES?**

Information on candidates will be sent separately by the Secretary of State in the State Voter Information Guide.

**9. HOW CAN I LEARN MORE ABOUT ALL THE REPLACEMENT CANDIDATES?**

You will receive a separate Voter Information Guide from the Secretary of State in which candidates may have chosen to purchase space for a statement up to 250 words, if they accept the voluntary expenditure limits to run as a candidate. The current voluntary expenditure limit to run for Governor is \$9,728,000.

**10. WHAT HAPPENS AFTER THE RECALL ELECTION?**

If a majority of the voters vote “yes” on the first question, then the recall passes. The replacement candidate who gets the most votes is elected for the unexpired term of office.

If a majority of the voters vote “no” on the first question, then the recall has failed and the officer will remain in office.

**11. IF THE CURRENT EFFORT TO RECALL GOVERNOR NEWSOM IS SUCCESSFUL, WHEN WOULD A NEW GOVERNOR TAKE OFFICE?**

County elections officials have 30 days after the election to complete the official canvass. On the 38th day after the election, if the recall is successful, the Secretary of State will certify the election results and the new Governor would take the oath of office and assume the position.

**12. HOW DO I GET UPDATES ON THE RECALL ELECTION PROCESS?**

The Secretary of State’s Elections Division posts all updates on the website at [www.sos.ca.gov/elections/upcoming-elections/2021-ca-gov-recall](http://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/upcoming-elections/2021-ca-gov-recall)