Guidelines for Completing the 2022 Maine Voter Registration Application

1. **Federally required questions.** (Required) A person who is **not a U.S. Citizen** is not eligible to register to vote. A person who is at least **16 years of age** may register to vote but must be at least 18 years of age to vote in a Municipal, General or Referendum election.

2. **Party affiliation.** (Required) Voters must check the box if they want to be a member of one of the qualified political parties in Maine, in order to participate in party primaries, caucuses, conventions or other political party activities. Voters who check “Other qualifying party” (with or without writing a designation on the line provided) and voters who choose Unenrolled (no party choice) will be designated as “U” on the voting list and will not be eligible to vote in party primaries, caucuses and conventions, but can vote in other elections.

3. **Name of Voter.** (Required) A voter must provide the voter’s **legal name**, as follows:
   - Last name (surname) must be listed (Suffixes, such as Sr., Jr., II, etc, may be included) and
   - First name and the middle name or initial; or
   - First initial and full middle name; or
   - First name only

4. **Date of Birth.** (Required) Voters must be at least 18 years of age in order to vote. Under Maine law, 16-year olds may pre-register (and enroll if desired).

5. **A. Current residence address.** (Required) Voters must provide the current street address or physical location where they have established their residence. This **cannot** be a P.O. Box.

   **B. Current mailing address.** (If applicable) The mailing address is required only if it is different from the residence address and is where the voter receives mail. This can be a P.O. Box.

   **C. Previous registration address.** (Required) If a voter previously has been registered to vote, the voter must check the “YES” box and must provide municipality, county, and state of previous registration. If never registered, the voter must check the “NO” box.

6. **Telephone number.** (Optional) If a voter provides a phone number, it becomes public information. A voter whose phone number is unpublished is cautioned against listing it on the application.
7. **Change of name. (If applicable)** This information is required only if the voter’s legal name has been changed since registering to vote in Maine.

8. **Voter’s Signature. (Required)** Voters must sign their legal name below the statement certifying that all the provided information is true.

9. **Voter ID or Unique ID Number. (For new Maine voters only)** The purpose of the voter ID number is to uniquely designate each new voter in the computerized statewide voter registration list. If the person is already registered to vote in Maine, this number is not required.
   
   A. **Driver’s License Number. New voters** who have a valid Maine Driver’s License or a Maine State ID must list that number.

   B. **Social Security Number. New voters** who do not have a valid Maine Driver’s License or Maine State ID, must list the last four digits of their Social Security Number.

   C. **NONE.** This designation may be used only by voters who do not have a Maine Driver’s License/State ID or a Social Security Number.

   **NOTE:** Voter ID is confidential (i.e., not public) information and will be concealed during public inspection.

10. **Instructions to Voters.** New voters who register by mail must provide a copy of certain identity documents with the completed registration form. The mail-in registrant may submit a copy of a Maine Driver’s License or other valid photo ID, a current utility bill, a bank statement, a paycheck stub or other government document that shows the voter’s current name and address.

11. **For registrar’s use only.** This space must be completed only by the municipal registrar.

   **NOTE:** If required information is omitted, the registrar must notify the applicant that the application is incomplete and must later reject the application if the required information is not provided. If optional information is omitted, the registrar must still process and accept the application.