

WHAT TO DO IF YOUR VOTER REGISTRATION HAS BEEN CHALLENGED

What does it mean for one's voter registration to be challenged?

Texas law allows for any registered voter to challenge the registration of another voter of the same county. To do so, the challenger must file a sworn statement with the county registrar that (1) identifies the voter whose registration is being challenged and (2) states a specific reason for challenging the voter's registration based on the challenger's personal knowledge. Most challenges are filed based on a voter's residence.

How will I know if my voter registration has been challenged?

In response to a voter registration challenge, the county will send a confirmation notice to the voter whose registration has been challenged to confirm the accuracy of the voter's registration information. Whether or not you believe you have received one of these notices, it is important that you check the status of your voter registration through the online portal (https://teamrv-mvp.sos.texas.gov/MVP/mvp.do) or by contacting your county's voter registrar (https://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/votregduties.shtml).

What should I do if my registration has been challenged?

If you received a confirmation notice in the mail or your record shows that your registration has been challenged, DO NOT DELAY! Submit a written, signed response to the notice that confirms your residence and provides all other requested information. If you are not sure how to respond to the notice, contact your country registrar for assistance (https://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/votregduties.shtml).

If your voter registration was challenged on the basis of something other than residency, such as citizenship, your registrar must hold a hearing and give notice to both you and the challenger. To prepare for such a hearing, contact your country registrar for assistance (https://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/votregduties.shtml).

What if I don't respond to the confirmation notice within 30 days?

If you don't respond to a confirmation notice within 30 days, then you will be placed on the Suspense List. On the voter rolls, an 'S' mark will appear next to your name.

How do I remove my name from the Suspense List?

Return the confirmation notice with the required information to your county OR when you go to vote, you will be asked to fill out a statement of residence which will take your name off the suspense list.

Can I still vote if I'm on the Suspense List?

YES! Being on the Suspense List DOES NOT cancel your voter registration unless you fail to respond to the Confirmation Notice AND do not vote in the next two General Elections after being put on the Suspense List. So while you have time to make sure that your registration does not get canceled, you should get the issue resolved ASAP!