



## PA Voter Registration Paper Application Line-by-Line Instructions

- 1. Name** – Print clearly, last name first. Use black ink pen.
  - 2. Eligibility** - You must be able to check YES to the Citizenship question. (Green Card holders are not eligible.) You must be at least 18 years old by the date of the next election, and you must be a resident of your election district in Pennsylvania for 30 days before the next election.
  - 3. Reason** – Check **New registration** if you have never registered in Pennsylvania before. If you have moved to PA from another state, you are a NEW PA registrant. If you've moved within PA, you should check Change of Address. Other options are Change of Name or Change of Party (for primary voting.)
  - 4. About You** - Date of Birth is required to prove you are/will be 18 by the next Election Day. Phone and email are not required, but are very helpful if an item is illegible or missing.
  - 5. Your Address** – This cannot be a Post Office Box. All sections except municipality are required. **County is very important.** [If you have no home address, you may draw a map to show where you spend most of your time. Call the LWV office to be mailed a 4-sided registration form with a map section on page 4: 412-261-4284.]
  - 6. Address where you receive mail** – Most likely you will check “Same as above” unless you have a P.O. Box or no home address. If you have no home address, enter an address at which your Voter Registration card can be mailed.
  - 7. Identification** - One of these is required: PA Driver's License, or PennDOT #, or last four digits of Social Security Number. [Using the first two expedites your application since PA has your signature on file.]
  - 8. Political Party** - [The League of Women Voters cannot suggest one party over another or describe a party in any way. This section is not required, but you cannot vote for candidates in the spring Primary unless you enroll in a party. However, only Democrats and Republicans have primaries in the “closed” primary system in PA. This is VERY confusing since you can vote for **ANY party's candidates in November** but only for Democrats or Republicans in the spring primary. You may check “None” and then go online in the future (at VotesPA.com) and select or change your party. "Independent" is not an official primary party in PA. But Green and Libertarian have been officially added – but do not have primaries!]
  - 9. Voting Assistance** – You only complete this section if you need help at the polls due to disability or language.
  - 10. Name or Address Change** – Only complete this if you are changing your name or address.
  - 11. Declaration** – Required. You must print your name and the date and affix your **signature**. If there is no signature, the form will be mailed back to you.
- Help with form** – Another person would complete this section only if they helped you complete the form or if you used a mark instead of a signature.

**Mail completed form to Allegheny County Elections Office**, 542 Forbes Ave., Suite 609, Pittsburgh, PA 15219 or call the League of Women Voters for **other counties' addresses:** 412-261-4284.