

Notice is hereby given that the Municipal Election Commission for the Town of Ridgeville, in conjunction with the Board of Voter Registration and Elections of Dorchester County, will conduct the Town of Ridgeville Municipal Election on Tuesday, November 7, 2023.

Any person wishing to register to vote in this election must do so no later than 30 days prior to the election; Monday, October 9, 2023. For more information about registering to vote, please visit http://dorchestervotes.org or call 843-832-0132.

The following offices shall be included in this election:

• 2 Town Council Seats (At Large)

Candidates for office who wish their names to appear on the election ballot must be qualified electors, residing within the Town of Ridgeville, and file a Statement of Candidacy at Ridgeville Town Hall, 105 School Street, Ridgeville, SC 29472. The filing fee for the office of council is \$50.00. The filing period begins at noon on Wednesday, August 9, 2023 and closes at noon on Friday, September 8, 2023. The hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The early voting period for this election begins on Monday, October 23rd, and ends on Friday, November 3rd. The following Early Voting Centers will be open during the early voting period from 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday (closed Saturday and Sunday).

Early Voting Center Locations

Christ Community Lutheran Church 8315 Dorchester Road, North Charleston, SC 29418

Rollins Edwards Community Center 301 North Hickory Street, Summerville, SC 29483

Saint George Civic Center 303 Ridge Street, Saint George, SC 29477

Trident Technical College-Dorchester Campus 10055 Dorchester Road, Summerville, SC 29485

Wescott Park 9006 Dorchester Road, North Charleston, SC 29420



Voters will be asked to provide one of the following Photo IDs when voting in person:

• S.C. Driver's License

o Includes standard License and REAL ID

- S.C. Department of Motor Vehicles Identification Card o Includes standard ID card and REAL ID o Includes SC Concealed Weapons Permit
- S.C. Voter Registration Card with Photograph
- Federal Military Identification Card with Photograph o Includes all Department of Defense Photo IDs and Veterans Affairs Benefits Card
- U.S. Passport
  - o Includes US Passport ID Card

You are ready to vote if you have one of these Photo IDs. Voters should remember to bring one of these IDs with them to the polling place. Voters without a Photo ID can get one free of charge from the Department of Motor Vehicles or their county voter registration office. Voters who encounter an obstacle to getting a Photo ID should bring their paper voter registration card without a photo with them to their polling place. These voters can then sign an affidavit swearing to their identity and to their obstacle to obtaining a Photo ID and vote a provisional ballot. This ballot will count unless the county board of voter registration and elections has grounds to believe the affidavit is false. For more information on Photo ID, visit scvotes.gov or contact your county board of voter registration and elections.

Registered voters who cannot vote in person may be eligible to vote by absentee ballot. Absentee ballots may be obtained from the Board of Voter Registration and Elections of Dorchester County. You may call 843-832-0132, visit, or send your request by U.S. mail to Dorchester County Voter Registration, 201 Johnston Street, St. George, SC 29477. You must provide your name, date of birth, and last four digits of your Social Security Number.

Any voter, by reason of blindness, disability, or inability to read or write may request assistance in casting their ballot by a person of the voter's choice. This assistance may be provided by anyone the voter chooses except the voter's employer or agent of that employer or officers or agent of the voter's union. Poll Managers must be notified if assistance is needed.

Voters, as a result of a disability or being age 65 or older, who are unable to enter their polling place or stand in line to vote may vote inside a vehicle outside of their polling place by way of curbside voting. When notified, Poll Managers will help voters who meet these qualifications use this provision.



At 9:00 a.m. on Election Day, the County Election Commission will begin its examination of the absentee ballot return envelopes at the Election Warehouse, 235 Deming Way Summerville, SC 29483.

On Thursday, November 9th at 10:00 a.m., a hearing to determine the validity of ballots challenged in this election will be held. This hearing will be held at the Waggoner Building, County Chambers, 201 Johnston Street, St. George, SC 29477.

The following precincts and polling locations will be open from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m.: Precinct Polling Location Address

Ridgeville Clay Hill Elementary School 387 South Railroad Avenue Ridgeville, SC 29472

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