

# **PRESS RELEASE**

(To be released the week of April 24th)

From: Franklin County Election Board

Subject: **FIRST-TIME VOTERS PROVISIONS & VOTER ID REQUIREMENTS**

As a result of the Help America Vote Act (HAVA), if you are voting in an election district for the first time, you will be asked to present an approved form of identification before you sign the pollbook.

Approved forms of identification include:

**Photo Identification (Must be Valid):**

- PA Driver's License or ID Card issued by PennDOT
- ID issued by U.S. Government
- ID issued by any Commonwealth of Pennsylvania agency
- U.S. Passport
- U.S. Armed Forces ID
- Student ID
- Employee ID

**Non-Photo Identification (Must include your name and address):**

- Voter Identification Card issued by the Voter Registration Commission
- Non-Photo ID issued by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- Non-Photo ID issued by the U.S. Government
- Firearm Permit
- Current bank statement
- Current utility bill
- Current paycheck
- Government check

Once you have provided approved identification, you will be asked to sign your name in the pollbook and be allowed to vote if the signature is found to be authentic.

If you are unable or unwilling to provide one of the above approved forms of ID, then you may vote by a provisional ballot. To find additional information that would be helpful for first time voters, view the Votes Pa website at [www.votespa.com](http://www.votespa.com) (Voting & Elections; Be Prepared; What to Bring; First Time Voters).

**No other voter will be asked to produce an ID since the Commonwealth Court ruled that the photo identification provision for voting purposes for all voters to be unconstitutional.**

For information on voting in Franklin County, you may watch a demo and/or instructional video on voting an optical scan ballot using a M100 Precinct Counter at the following website – [www.votespa.com](http://www.votespa.com) (Voting & Elections; Types of Voting; In Person – Voting Machine Demos). You can also find additional election information on the County's website at [www.franklincountypa.gov](http://www.franklincountypa.gov).