

# Only Republicans can vote in March 19 Florida primary

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Are you ready to vote in the Presidential Primary on March 19?

Only Republicans can vote; there is no Democratic ballot. If you are not registered or need to change your party affiliation, you must do so by Tuesday, Feb. 20 by contacting your local supervisor of elections.

If you plan to vote by mail (VBM,) your request must be received by Thursday, March 7.

Even if you voted by mail in 2022 you may not receive a VBM ballot this year. New Florida laws require that you renew your request every 2 years. Over half of the people voting in 2022 have not done this yet. Did you? If you are unsure, check with your local Supervisor of Elections either online, by phone, or in person.

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