



Electoral Education Centre

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# Why should I enrol?

Enrolling to vote is really important. Being enrolled means you have the right to vote for who represents you in government. If you are not enrolled you are unable to vote in local, State and federal elections. The right to vote is a basic democratic freedom and is considered one of the most important responsibilities of citizens living in a democratic country.

It is also compulsory for all Western Australians to enrol if they:

- are 18 years of age or older
- are Australian Citizens
- have lived at their current address for at least one month.

## When should I enrol?

You should enrol as soon as you are eligible.

If you are 17 years old, you can provisionally enrol on the State Roll. Then, you will already be enrolled to vote as soon as you turn 18.

If your details change, like your name or your address, you should also update your details as soon as possible.

## How do I enrol?

To enrol, or to update your details, you have to complete an enrolment form.

You can complete the form online or download a form ([www.elections.wa.gov.au/enrol](http://www.elections.wa.gov.au/enrol)).

You can collect a form from:

- the Western Australian Electoral Commission office
- an Australian Electoral Commission office
- a post office.

When you have completed it, you can return it in person or by email, fax or post.

## **Do I have to do anything else?**

If your details are up to date, you are ready to vote.