

DIRECTIVE 2025-30

June 10, 2025

To: All County Board of Elections
Board Members, Directors, and Deputy Directors

Re: Cancellation of Outdated Voter Registrations Due to Individuals Registering and Voting Out-of-State

SUMMARY

The Office of the Ohio Secretary of State has continually prioritized efforts to ensure the integrity of the state's voter rolls. Since 2023, Ohio has established enhanced data sharing agreements with partner states allowing for a more rigorous review of Ohio's voting rolls. This directive provides instructions to boards of elections for the cancellation of outdated voter registrations of individuals who have lost residency in Ohio as a result of registering and voting out-of-state.¹

BACKGROUND

Under Ohio law, if an individual registered to vote in Ohio, then registers out-of-state and votes in that state, the individual shall no longer be considered a resident of this state for voting purposes.²

Accordingly, the Secretary of State's office will provide the boards of elections a list of individuals identified through this process as having registered and voted out-of-state for cancellation of their voter registration.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Within ten days of receipt of the list from the Secretary of State's office, the board of elections shall send [Form 10-VOS Voter Registration Cancellation Notice – Registered and Voted Out-of-State](#) to the individual's address on file with the board, which provides an individual the option to confirm their Ohio voter registration or voluntarily

¹ [R.C. 3503.151\(C\)\(1\)](#).

² [R.C. 3503.02\(H\)](#) and [R.C. 3503.06\(C\)\(2\)\(g\)](#).

cancel their Ohio voter registration. If a response is not received within thirty days, the board of elections shall cancel the individual's outdated Ohio voter registration.

MAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Each board must send [Form 10-VOS Voter Registration Cancellation Notice – Registered and Voted Out-of-State](#) by forwardable mail and include a return envelope with the notification form. Boards must also record in its voter registration system the date the notice is mailed to an individual and, when applicable, the date the board receives a response to the notice or the date the notice is returned undeliverable.

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING

An individual whose voter registration is canceled under this process may request a hearing and administrative appeal before the board of elections. If the individual provides clear and convincing evidence of not registering and voting out-of-state, their voter registration shall be restored.

If you have any questions concerning this directive, please contact the Secretary of State's office at 614-728-8789 or via email at Intake@OhioSoS.gov.

Yours in service,



Frank LaRose
Ohio Secretary of State