

No Party Preference – Crossover Voting

What is Crossover Voting?

Presidential Primaries are especially unique because political parties have the ability to decide whether voters registered as No-Party Preference can “crossover” into their party, and vote for one of their candidates. For the June 7, 2016 Presidential Primary Election, the **American Independent***, **Democratic** and **Libertarian** parties have allowed “crossover” voting. Vote By Mail voters who are registered as No-Party Preference and want to vote for one of those three respective parties can do so, but will first need to fill out a “crossover” ballot request. Voters who will be voting at the polls and are registered as No-Party Preference simply need to request a “crossover” ballot upon checking-in at their polling location. Please note that if you choose to request a “crossover” ballot, **it will not** change your registered party preference.

Voters who are registered as **No-Party Preference** and would like to vote in the June 7 Presidential Primary for a **Republican, Green** or **Peace & Freedom** Presidential candidate, must re-register to vote for one of those respective parties by **May 23, 2016**.

*American Independent is a political party. It is not the same as being registered with No-Party Preference.

What To Do Next:

1) What if you do not wish to request a “crossover” ballot?

No action is required. If you are a permanent Vote By Mail voter, a “Nonpartisan” ballot will be mailed to you automatically.

2) How do you check if you are registered as No-Party Preference?

Check your voter registration status at Fresno County ... VOTES ([click here](#)).

3) Want to re-register to vote?

To re-register and change your party affiliation, ([click here](#)).

4) How can you apply for a Vote By Mail Crossover Ballot?

Download and print the “One-Time Vote By Mail Crossover” application. ([click here](#))

5) When you arrive at your polling place:

Please note that you can request a crossover ballot at your polling place if you are a no-party preference voter, by simply asking the precinct officer at the polling location. If you want to Vote By Mail (VBM) you can request for a one-time VBM and return it to our office before **May 31**.

Have any Questions or Concerns?

Please contact clerk-elections@co.fresno.ca.us