



CHAPTER 163
ARTICLE 7A - REGISTRATION OF VOTERS

N.C.G.S. § 163-82.8.

Voter registration cards.

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§ 163-82.8(a) Authority to Issue Card. - With the approval of the board of county commissioners, the county board of elections may issue to each voter in the county a voter registration card, or may issue cards to all voters registered after January 1, 1995.

§ 163-82.8(b) Content and Format of Card. - At a minimum, the voter registration card shall:

- (1) List the voter's name, address, and voting place;
- (2) Contain the address and telephone number of the county board of elections, along with blanks to report a change of address within the county, change of name, and change of party affiliation; and
- (3) Be wallet size.

No voter registration card may be issued by a county board of elections unless the State Board has approved the format of the card.

§ 163-82.8(c) Ways County Board and Registrant May Use Card. - If the county board of elections issues voter registration cards, the county board may use that card as a notice of tentative approval of the voter's application pursuant to G.S. 163-82.7(c), provided that the mailing contains the statements and information required in that subsection. The county board may also satisfy the requirements of G.S. 163-82.15(b), 163-82.16(b), or 163-82.17(b) by sending the registrant a replacement of the voter registration card to verify change of address, change of name, or change of party affiliation. A registrant may use the card to report a change of address, change of name, or change of party affiliation, satisfying G.S. 163-82.15, 163-82.16, or 163-82.17.

§ 163-82.8(d) Card as Evidence of Registration. - A voter registration card shall be evidence of registration but shall not preclude a challenge as permitted by law.

§ 163-82.8(e) Display of Card May Not Be Required to Vote. - No county board of elections may require that a voter registration card be displayed in order to vote.

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APPARATUS I
28 ACTS

Amendment lineage

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Nº	YEAR	ACT	CHARACTER
01	1901	c. 89, ss. 18, 21	ENACTED
02	Rev.	ss. 4322, 4323	RECODIFIED
03	C.S.	ss. 5946, 5947	RECODIFIED
04	1923	c. 111, s. 3	AMENDED
05	1933	c. 165, s. 5	AMENDED
06	1947	c. 475	AMENDED
07	1953	c. 843	AMENDED
08	1955	c. 800	AMENDED
09	1957	c. 784, ss. 3, 4	AMENDED
10	1961	c. 382	AMENDED
11	1963	c. 303, ss. 1, 2	AMENDED
12	1967	c. 761, s. 3	AMENDED
13	1967	c. 775, s. 1	AMENDED
14	1969	c. 750, ss. 1, 2	AMENDED
15	1977	c. 626, s. 1	AMENDED
16	1979	c. 539, s. 5	AMENDED

17	1979	c. 766, s. 2	AMENDED
18	1981	c. 33, s. 2	AMENDED
19	1981	1981 (Reg. Sess., 1982), c. 1265, s. 6	AMENDED
20	1983	c. 553	AMENDED
21	1985	c. 260, s. 1	AMENDED
22	1991	c. 363, s. 1	AMENDED
23	1991	1991 (Reg. Sess., 1992), c. 1032, s. 1	AMENDED
24	1991	1993 (Reg. Sess., 1994), c. 762, s. 2	AMENDED
25	2015	S.L. 2015-103, s. 8(f)	AMENDED
26	2017	S.L. 2017-6, s. 3	AMENDED
27	2018	S.L. 2018-144, s. 3.1(b)	AMENDED
28	2018	S.L. 2018-146, s. 3.1(a), (b)	AMENDED

APPARATUS II
3 AUTHORITIES

Authorities referenced

Every G.S. cross-reference appearing in the text of this section, in order of first appearance. Nothing is characterized; the operative language is quoted from the section itself.

REFERENCE	APPEARS IN	OPERATIVE LANGUAGE IN THIS SECTION
G.S. 163-82.7(c)	(c)	<i>"of the voter's application pursuant to"</i>
G.S. 163-82.15(b)	(c)	<i>"may also satisfy the requirements of"</i>
G.S. 163-82.15	(c)	<i>"or change of party affiliation, satisfying"</i>

APPARATUS III

Citation

FULL SECTION

N.C. Gen. Stat. § 163-82.8 (2018).

PINPOINT

N.C. Gen. Stat. § 163-82.8(a) (2018).

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