

State of Maine Sample Ballot Referendum Election, November 7, 2023

Instructions to Voters

To vote for a question, fill in the oval to the right of the "Yes" or "No" choice, like this: ●

To have your vote count, do not erase or cross out your choice.

If you make a mistake, ask for a new ballot.

Question 1: Citizen Initiative

Do you want to bar some quasi-governmental entities and all consumer-owned electric utilities from taking on more than \$1 billion in debt unless they get statewide voter approval?

A "Yes" vote is to enact the initiated legislation.

A "No" vote opposes the initiated legislation.

Yes
No

Question 2: Citizen Initiative

Do you want to ban foreign governments and entities that they own, control, or influence from making campaign contributions or financing communications for or against candidates or ballot questions?

A "Yes" vote is to enact the initiated legislation.

A "No" vote opposes the initiated legislation.

Yes
No

Question 3: Citizen Initiative

Do you want to create a new power company governed by an elected board to acquire and operate existing for-profit electricity transmission and distribution facilities in Maine?

A "Yes" vote is to enact the initiated legislation.

A "No" vote opposes the initiated legislation.

Yes
No

Question 4: Citizen Initiative

Do you want to require vehicle manufacturers to standardize on-board diagnostic systems and provide remote access to those systems and mechanical data to owners and independent repair facilities?

A "Yes" vote is to enact the initiated legislation.

A "No" vote opposes the initiated legislation.

Yes
No

Question 5: Constitutional Amendment

Do you favor amending the Constitution of Maine to change the time period for judicial review of the validity of written petitions from within 100 days from the date of filing to within 100 business days from the date of filing of a written petition in the office of the Secretary of State, with an exception for petitions filed within 30 calendar days before or after a general election?

A "Yes" vote is to amend the Maine Constitution to allow more time for review of citizens' initiative and people's veto petitions.

A "No" vote opposes this change to the Maine Constitution.

Yes
No

Question 6: Constitutional Amendment

Do you favor amending the Constitution of Maine to require that all of the provisions of the Constitution be included in the official printed copies of the Constitution prepared by the Secretary of State?

A "Yes" vote is to amend the Maine Constitution to remove restrictions on printing some of its provisions.

A "No" vote opposes this change to the Maine Constitution.

Yes
No

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Question 7: Constitutional Amendment

Do you favor amending the Constitution of Maine to remove a provision requiring a circulator of a citizen's initiative or people's veto petition to be a resident of Maine and a registered voter in Maine, requirements that have been ruled unconstitutional in federal court?

A **“Yes”** vote is to remove the residency and registration requirements for petition circulators from the Maine Constitution.

A **“No”** vote opposes this change to the Maine Constitution.

- Yes
- No

Question 8: Constitutional Amendment

Do you favor amending the Constitution of Maine to remove a provision prohibiting a person under guardianship for reasons of mental illness from voting for Governor, Senators and Representatives, which the United States District Court for the District of Maine found violates the United States Constitution and federal law?

A **“Yes”** vote is to remove the provision making people under guardianship for reasons of mental illness ineligible to vote.

A **“No”** vote opposes this change to the Maine Constitution.

- Yes
- No

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