How Voters Can Protect their Vote

Voters can play a role in protecting themselves, their votes, and the electoral system overall by following a set of tips:

- **Watch for suspicious emails.** Beware of election emails from non-.gov addresses such as .com, .net, .org, or .us, particularly any emails sent in the final days before Election Day.
- **Question conflicting instructions.** Question any voting instructions that appear to conflict with other guidance you’ve received from traditional sources such as the U.S. Postal Service.
- **Refer to your State website.** Go to the elections section of your state’s website to get county and/or local government officials’ contact details and other voting information.
- **Confirm local directions locally.** Call your county or city government officials directly to confirm any last-minute changes to the regional or local Election Day procedures.
- **Ask for .gov and https on websites.** Ask your county officials to use .gov validation and https protection on any government websites involved in elections.

Look to the States

As mentioned, McAfee encourages voters across the country to rely on state voter registration and election sites run by the states’ Secretaries of State. Such sites have a better track record than counties when it comes to utilizing .gov validation and they generally enforce https to protect integrity and confidentiality of shared personal information.

These sites tend to provide contact information for local election officials at the county level and may even navigate voters directly to the legitimate county sites utilizing a state secured .gov site as a starting point.
Following are links to U.S. state election websites:

1. [Alabama](#)
2. [Alaska](#)
3. [Arizona](#)
4. [Arkansas](#)
5. [California](#)
6. [Colorado](#)
7. [Connecticut](#)
8. [DC](#)
9. [Delaware](#)
10. [Florida](#)
11. [Georgia](#)
12. [Hawaii](#)
13. [Idaho](#)
14. [Illinois](#)
15. [Indiana](#)
16. [Iowa](#)
17. [Kansas](#)
18. [Kentucky](#)
19. [Louisiana](#)
20. [Maine](#)
21. [Maryland](#)
22. [Massachusetts](#)
23. [Michigan](#)
24. [Minnesota](#)
25. [Mississippi](#)
26. [Missouri](#)
27. [Montana](#)
28. [Nebraska](#)
29. [Nevada](#)
30. [New Hampshire](#)
31. [New Jersey](#)
32. [New Mexico](#)
33. [New York](#)
34. [North Carolina](#)
35. [North Dakota](#)
36. [Ohio](#)
37. [Oklahoma](#)
38. [Oregon](#)
39. [Pennsylvania](#)
40. [Rhode Island](#)
41. [South Carolina](#)
42. [South Dakota](#)
43. [Tennessee](#)
44. [Texas](#)
45. [Utah](#)
46. [Vermont](#)
47. [Virginia](#)
48. [Washington](#)
49. [West Virginia](#)
50. [Wisconsin](#)
51. [Wyoming](#)
McAfee encourages voters to call these official phone numbers to confirm any seemingly contradictory information sent to them via email or other online messages regarding changes to planned election processes (time, location, ballots, etc.).

While confirming instructions via the telephone sounds old fashioned, the local human touch shouldn’t be discounted if we are to protect our democracy.