Know Your Rights as an Oregon Voter

Important Message from the Oregon Secretary of State and your county elections official.

You have the right to:

• Access official ballot boxes and election offices without interference.
• Keep your vote private.
• Vote without intimidation or threats.

Voter Intimidation may include:

• Aggressive or harassing questions about whether you are qualified to vote intended to interfere with your right to vote, scare you into voting a certain way or to intimidate you for voting, such as questions about your citizenship status, criminal record, residency, other personal information, or questions about how you intend to vote.
• False or misleading statements or accusations about voter fraud or related criminal penalties, designed to frighten you away from voting.
• Verbal or physical threats – express or implied – meant to stop you from voting or to force you to vote for a particular candidate or measure.
• Purposefully obstructing or interfering with your ability to vote.
• Targeted surveillance of particular voters or groups of voters, such as following or tracking voters, copying license plates, taking videos or photos, etc., with the intent to dissuade or obstruct them from voting.

If you believe your rights as a voter have been violated, contact the Secretary of State at 503-986-1518 or elections.sos@sos.oregon.gov.

It is illegal to threaten or harass an election worker.
It is illegal to interfere with any person's right to vote.
ORS 166.065; ORS 260.665; 18 USC §§ 245(b)(1)(A) & 594; 42 USC § 1985(3); 52 USC §§ 10307(b) & 20511(1).