

# RÖSTA

## VOTE ON ELECTION DAY – 13 SEPTEMBER

### Bring the following:

- ID, for example an ID card or passport.
- If you do not have ID, another person can confirm your identity.
- Your voting card, that is sent to your home address. If you forget it, you can still receive help at the polling station.
- Your voting card shows your polling station.
- If you do not have a voting card or are unsure where to vote: call 031-365 00 00 or go to the nearest polling station for help.



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**Make your  
voice heard!**

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**When many people do not vote, democracy becomes weaker. Gothenburg and Western Sweden have large differences in voter turnout.**

Sweden has had universal right to vote for 100 years. Use your vote to help shape society.

Vote for a better society for yourself and your family. You vote anonymously. No one can see how you voted.

**Your vote is important  
and makes a difference!**

Project RÖSTA is a non-partisan voting initiative by ABF Väst. Its purpose is to strengthen democracy in the municipalities where ABF Väst operates by increasing participation and awareness about the 2026 election. The project was previously carried out in 2018 and 2022.



**If you have lived in Sweden for three years** – you can vote in the municipal and regional elections.

**If you are a Swedish citizen** – you can vote in the national, regional and municipal elections.

# WHO HAS THE RIGHT TO VOTE?

## Parliamentary election:

- You are 18 years old or older.
- You are a Swedish citizen.

## Municipal and regional elections:

- You are 18 years old or older.
- You do not need to be a Swedish citizen.
- You must have been registered in Sweden for three years before election day.

# HOW DO YOU VOTE?

- You get three envelopes if you can vote in all three elections.
- If you are not a Swedish citizen, you vote in two elections and get two envelopes.
- All party ballots are available at the polling station: yellow for parliament, blue for region, white for municipality.
- Take the ballots you want. You can mark one person on the ballot, but you do not have to.
- Put each ballot in one envelope (do not fold it).
- Go to the election official with your envelopes and identification.
- The election official checks your name and places the envelopes in the ballot boxes.

# HOW DEMOCRACY WORKS IN SWEDEN

Sweden is a representative democracy. This means people choose politicians in free elections. We vote for parties and representatives who make decisions at the national, regional and municipal levels.

## How it works:

- We vote for parties to sit in Parliament.
- A party needs more than 4% of the votes to enter Parliament.
- The parties with the most votes can form a government.
- The government leads the country and chooses ministers.
- Ministers are responsible for different areas, such as education and healthcare.
- They are also responsible for government agencies, such as Swedish Public Employment Service and The Swedish Migration Agency.
- We vote every four years in national, regional and municipal elections.

## Vote early!

- You can vote early from 26 August.
- You can vote early anywhere in Sweden.

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