

Town of Durham



Registrars of Voters

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## Enrolling in a Political Party

Connecticut gives you the choice of enrolling in a political party or not.

### **If you enroll in a political party, you will be able to:**

Vote in that Party's Primary. You will get a say in which candidates will be running in the November elections.

You can be appointed to local committees, boards or commissions based on Connecticut's requirement of minority party representation. This allows you to serve directly on boards that have an immediate impact on your local community, such as the Conservation Committee, the Library Board, the Historical District Board, or the Inland Wetlands Commission.

You can participate in your party's caucuses.

If you have strong philosophical feelings, you should enroll in the party whose platform most closely matches yours in order to make the most impact.

Registering in a party does not increase your chances of jury selection, the number of "robo calls" you receive, the number of mailings, etc.

If you wish to change your party registration or switch from unaffiliated to a party, all you need to do is fill out a new registration form with the new party.

### **If you do not want to enroll in a political party, you can remain unaffiliated.**

If you don't wish to enroll in a political party, indicate that on your registration card. If you write "Independent," you will be registered in the Independent Party.