

Election Information

The County Auditor is the local election official for state wide and county elections. The Secretary of State is the election official for the State of North Dakota and oversees the County Auditor in the conduct of elections. The County Commissioner is also responsible for some election functions.

To be a qualified voter in North Dakota you need to meet the following qualifications:

- *Must be a citizen of the United States.
- *Must be at least eighteen years old.
- *Must be a resident of North Dakota.
- *Must have resided in the precinct at least thirty days before the next preceding election.

If a resident who otherwise meets the qualifications for voting in North Dakota moves from one precinct to another within thirty days preceding any election, they are still qualified electors of the precinct they moved from.

North Dakota does not have voter registration, however, you may be challenged and be required to complete a voter affidavit certifying that you meet the qualifications to vote in that precinct. The state is divided into forty-seven legislative districts, of which Wells County is in Legislative District #14. Wells County is also divided into five county commission districts. Commissioners must live within the district, however, they are elected by the county as a whole.

Vote By Mail

Ballot Application

Wells County is now Vote by Mail! Any qualified voting resident of Wells County is eligible to Vote by Mail in any election. However, if they chose to not participate in Vote by Mail, they can vote at the Festival Hall at the Wells County Fairgrounds in Fessenden and in 2020, they can also choose to vote at the Harvey City Hall. If you are a qualified voter in Wells County, it doesn't matter where you live in Wells County, you can vote at either place.

After printing, completing, and signing, please mail to:

Wells County Auditor
700 Railway St N #37
Fessenden, ND 58438

This can also be faxed to: 701-547-3719

After the application is received a Ballot will be sent out. An application will have to be completed with each Election cycle.

For any questions, please call: 701-547-3521