

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS 2027

Guide for Voting for Foreign Residents



23 de mayo de 2027

At the end of September, the Electoral Census Office (OCE) transferred to the Councils the information to form the CERE in the 2027 municipal elections.

1. Nationals of European Union countries

Who can vote?

EU citizens from European Union member countries who are registered and reside in Spain.

What are the requirements?

- Be of legal age and meet the same conditions as Spanish voters.
- Be registered in the municipality.
- Explicitly express the will to vote in Spain.

How is the procedure carried out?

- **Online:** through the INE's Electronic Office via the Cl@ve system. [Access to the official procedure.](#)
- **At the Town Hall:** by filling in and handing in the **CERE form. DFA.** To identify yourself, you must present your foreigner's card with NIE, or the passport/identity card of your country of origin.

- **By letter (if you receive the communication from the Electoral Census Office - OCE):** By processing it online with Cl@ve or with the CTT code received in the letter, or by sending the response by post without the need for postage.

(Note: the expression of will is permanent as long as the person resides in Spain).

When do I have to process it?

- **Communications sent by the OEC:** From the end of September 2026.
- **Deadline for registration/declaration:** December 30th, 2026. Any procedure filed after this date will not take effect for the elections of May 23rd, 2027.

Where is it presented?

- At the **INE Electronic Office** (online).
- At the offices of the **Council** of your place of residence.
- Via **Postal Mail** (if you respond to the letter from the OCE).

2. Nationals of countries with reciprocity agreements

Who can vote?

Nationals who live in Spain belonging to countries that have a reciprocity agreement to vote in municipal elections in force: *Bolivia, Cape Verde, Chile, Colombia, Korea, Ecuador, Iceland, Norway, New Zealand, Paraguay, Peru, United Kingdom and Trinidad and Tobago.*

What are the requirements?

- Be over 18 years old and have full rights to vote.
- Be registered in the municipality.

- Have a residence permit in Spain.
- Prove the required period of legal residence:
 - **Norway:** 3 years of residence on the day of the votation.
 - **United Kingdom:** 3 years of residence at the time of application.
 - **Other countries with an agreement:** 5 years of legal residence at the time of application. (Legal residence is justified by a certificate issued by the Immigration Office or Police Station).

How is the procedure carried out?

- **Online:** in the "Application for registration" procedure of the INE Electronic Office with Cl@ve system. If you received postal communication and do not have Cl@ve, you can access with NIE and CTT code.
- **At the Town Hall:** in person with the Foreigner's Identity Card (TIE). Nationals of Norway, Iceland and the United Kingdom can also identify themselves with their passport or national identity card of their country.
- **By post:** replying directly to the letter sent by the Provincial Delegation of the OCE at no postage cost.

When do I have to process it?

- **ECO communications:** To be sent by the end of November 2026.
- **Official application deadline:** From December 1st, 2026 to January 15th, 2027.

Where is it presented?

- At the **INE's Electronic Office**.
- In person at the **Council of your municipality**.



- Via **Postal Mail** addressed to the Provincial Delegation of the OCE.

More official information

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