

What is happening?

On **Thursday 24th June 2021** a Referendum will be held to vote on the proposal to amend the Crimes (Amendment) Act 2019.

The question will be:

“Should the Crimes (Amendment) Act 2019, that defines the circumstances which would allow abortion in Gibraltar, come into force?”

Campaigning in the Referendum

Any individual, unincorporated association or body intending to spend over £500 (but not more than £5,000) campaigning in the referendum must notify the Referendum Administrator in the prescribed form to become a permitted participant.

Any individual, unincorporated association or body seeking to spend over £5,000 can only do so if they are a designated organisation. The Referendum Administrator may only designate two permitted participants as designated organisations. To apply to become a designated organisation, entities must submit an application to the Referendum Administrator in the form prescribed

The registration deadline for an application to become a Designated Organisation is **Friday 21st May 2021 at 6.00pm**.

Download a registration form (PDF)

DEADLINE EXPIRED

Who can vote in the Referendum?

British, aged 16 or over who have been resident in Gibraltar for ten years or more on the 24 June 2021, or persons registered or entitled to be registered as Gibraltarians will be eligible to vote.

How do I register to vote?

If you want to have your say at the Referendum, you must be registered to vote. To register either apply in person at the Gibraltar Parliament, 156 Main Street, or:

Download a registration form (PDF)

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The registration deadline is **Thursday 17th June 2021 at 6.00pm**.

How do I check if I'm registered to vote?

You can check whether you are registered to vote either by checking the Voter's List, in person, at the Gibraltar Parliament or by checking on-line.

[Online Search facility](#)

How do I vote?

Once you are registered to vote, there are three ways you can vote in the Referendum.

1. At your voting station in person

You will receive an information card telling you where your voting station is.

Voting stations will be open from **9am to 10pm on Thursday 24th June 2021**.

2. By post

To apply to vote by post, you will need to complete a postal vote application form as from Wednesday 19th May 2021.

Download a postal application form (PDF)

DEADLINE EXPIRED

Once you have completed and signed your application form, send it to the Referendum Administrator to arrive by **12 noon on Monday 14th June 2021**.

OR

If you have registered for eGov services via the GibVerify app and you are on the Voter's List you can apply to receive a postal vote using the link below:

<https://citizen.egov.gi/Account/Login>

You will receive your voting paper by post. A voting paper can be sent overseas, but you need to think about whether you will have time to receive and return it so it arrives back by **10pm on Thursday 24th June 2021**. If you are temporarily residing in the United Kingdom on the day of the Referendum, you will be provided with an additional envelope addressed to the Government of Gibraltar London Office.

3. By proxy

Voting by proxy means allowing somebody you trust to vote on your behalf.

To apply to vote by proxy, you will need to complete a proxy vote application form as from Thursday 27th May 2021.

Download a proxy application form (PDF)

DEADLINE EXPIRED

Once you have completed and signed your application form, send it to the Referendum Administrator to arrive by **12 noon on Friday 18th June 2021**.

When you apply for a proxy vote you will need to state why you cannot vote in person. Your proxy must be registered to vote and eligible to vote in the referendum. Your proxy will vote on your behalf so you will need to tell them how you want to vote.

[Find out more about casting your vote by proxy](#)

Emergency Proxy

If after **12 noon on Friday 18th June 2021** you are unable to vote in person because you:

- Have a medical emergency; or
- Learn you cannot go to the voting station because of work reasons;
- Are self-isolating as a result of government or medical practitioner advice.

You can apply to vote by emergency proxy. Completed applications must reach us before **5pm on Thursday 24th June 2021**.

To apply to vote by emergency proxy, you will need to complete an emergency proxy vote application form.

Download an emergency proxy application form (PDF) **DEADLINE EXPIRED**

– *This facility will be available as from 12 noon on Friday 18th June 2020.*

To find out how to apply, call 200 78420.

How do I fill in the voting paper for the Referendum?

Vote only once by putting a cross  in the box next to your choice.

Why are pencils used in voting stations?

Voters can vote using a pen or pencil. There is no legal requirement for voting papers to be marked with a pencil.

Pencils are typically provided inside voting stations, but voters can choose to bring their own pen into the voting station to vote.

Pencils are used for practical reasons: with ink pens there is always a risk that they may dry out or spill; ink may cause some transfer of the mark the voter has made on

the voting paper when they fold it, potentially leading to their vote being rejected if, for example, it looks like they have voted for more than one option.