

Constitutional Guidelines: Electing the President of the United States of America









http://www.archives.gov/exhibits/charters/constitution.html

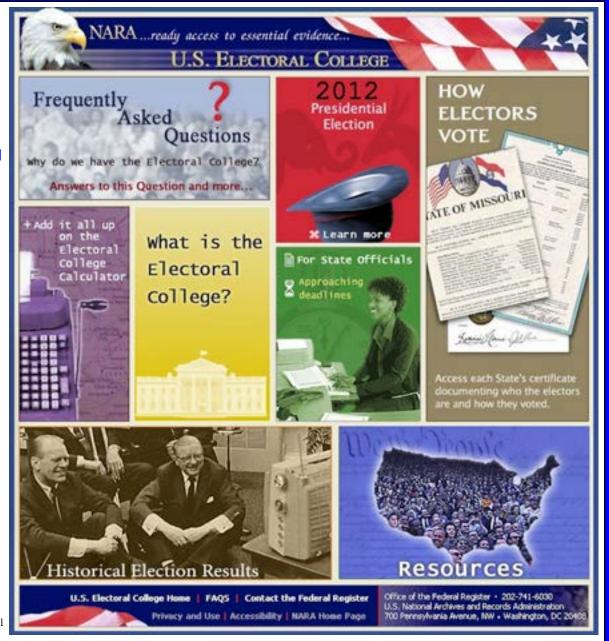


- U.S. National Archives and Records Administration website resource links for:
- 1. U.S. Constitutional provisions for Presidential election and Electoral College.
- 2. Federal and state regulations and guidelines.
- 3. Historical Presidential election results.
- 4. Presidential election resources.

Instructions:

- 1. Single click the topic icons on the right to go to the different resource links.
- 2. Your browser will redirect you to the external NARA site.
- 3. The NARA site is paid for by the United States taxpayer.
- 4. Have fun and learn about how the President of the United States is elected!

http://www.archives.gov/federal-register/electoral-college/index.html





Article Two of the Constitution:

- 1. Original provisions for the qualifications and election of the President, and for breaking a tie in the Electoral College.
- 2. http://www.archives.gov/exhibits/charters/constitution_transcript.html











Amendment 12 of the Constitution:

- 1. Supercedes the portion of Article Two, section one about the electors for the Electoral College.
- 2. http://www.archives.gov/exhibits/charters/constitution_amendments_11-27.html











Amendment 14 of the Constitution:

- 1. Section three specifies elector ineligibility.
- 2. http://www.archives.gov/exhibits/charters/constitution_amendments_11-27.html











Amendment 15 of the Constitution:

- 1. Rights of U.S. citizens can't be denied due to race, color, or previous condition of servitude.
- 2. http://www.archives.gov/exhibits/charters/constitution_amendments_11-27.html











Amendment 19 of the Constitution:

- 1. Rights of U.S. citizens can't be denied due to sex.
- 2. http://www.archives.gov/exhibits/charters/constitution_amendments_11-27.html











Amendment 20 of the Constitution:

- 1. Specifies when the term of a newly elected President begins and conditions that affect it.
- 2. http://www.archives.gov/exhibits/charters/constitution_amendments_11-27.html











Amendment 22 of the Constitution:

- 1. Limits the terms a President can serve.
- 2. http://www.archives.gov/exhibits/charters/constitution_amendments_11-27.html











Amendment 23 of the Constitution:

- 1. Gives Electoral College electors to the District of Columbia.
- 2. http://www.archives.gov/exhibits/charters/constitution_amendments_11-27.html











Amendment 24 of the Constitution:

- 1. Makes the poll tax requirement unconstitutional.
- 2. http://www.archives.gov/exhibits/charters/constitution_amendments_11-27.html











Amendment 25 of the Constitution:

- 1. Specifies provisions should a sitting President is no longer be able to serve.
- 2. http://www.archives.gov/exhibits/charters/constitution_amendments_11-27.html











Amendment 26 of the Constitution:

- 1. Lowers the voting age to 18.
- 2. http://www.archives.gov/exhibits/charters/constitution_amendments_11-27.html











Why, What, Who?:

- 1. Why did the Founding Fathers design Article Two provisions the way they did?
- 2. What was the purpose and logic behind the later Amendments affecting the election of the President?
- 3. Who is affected by not voting?











Sources:

- 1. http://www.archives.gov/federal-register/electoral-college/index.html
- 2. http://www.archives.gov/exhibits/charters/constitution.html
- 3. http://www.usconstitution.net/constpix.html







