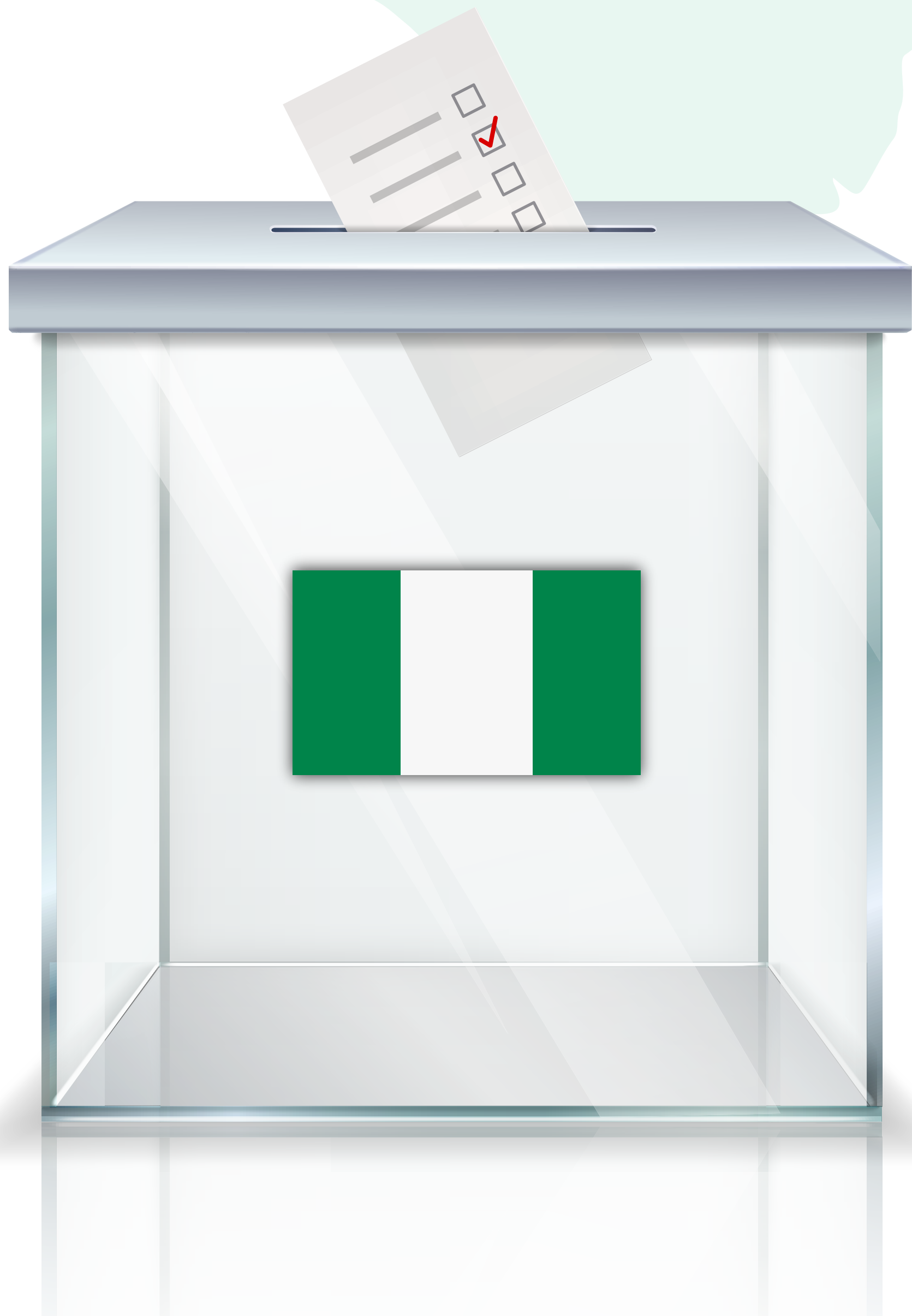


# Nigeria

## Voters Guide



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First 5 Chapters



## VOTING PROCESS

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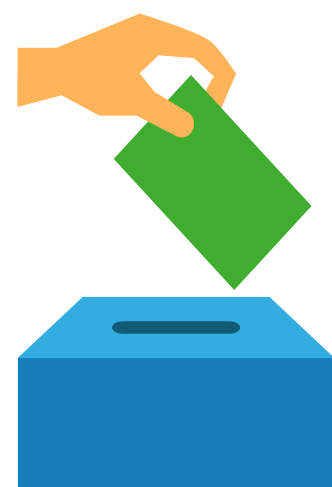
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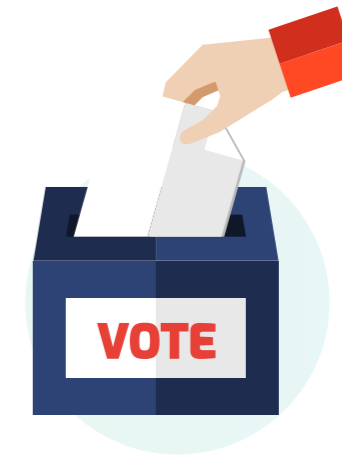


## VOTE BUYING

Vote buying obstructs the democratic process by interfering with the rights of the Citizens to freely decide who will represent them and their interests;



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**Q: What is the voting process?**

01/04

1

A Voter must first have his/her PVC and appear in person on Election day at the Polling Unit where he/she is registered at the stipulated time; between 8:00am and 2:00pm



2



Voting in Nigeria is in accordance with the Continuous Accreditation and Voting System (CAVS) procedures.



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Q: What is the voting process?

02/04

- 3 Accreditation and voting commences at 8:00am. Voters are therefore expected to queue up in an orderly manner



The Smart Card Reader is used to verify and authenticate the PVCs presented by Voter seeking to be accredited to confirm that his/her name is in the register of voters in that unit and that he/she is the rightful owner of the card

- 5 The official then crosschecks the name in the register and ticks on the left side of the register after the confirmation





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Q: What is the voting process?

03/04

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Indelible ink is applied on the appropriate finger of the voter's left hand



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The Voter is issued with a ballot paper and directed to a cubicle to make his/her choice by thumb/finger printing against their preferred Party/Candidate on the Ballot paper in secret and thereafter drop the ballot into the ballot box in the full view of all present.

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Accreditation and voting closes at 2:00pm. A security Personnel is expected to stand before the last person on the queue to prevent any other person joining. However, everyone present on the queue as at 2:00pm will be attended to





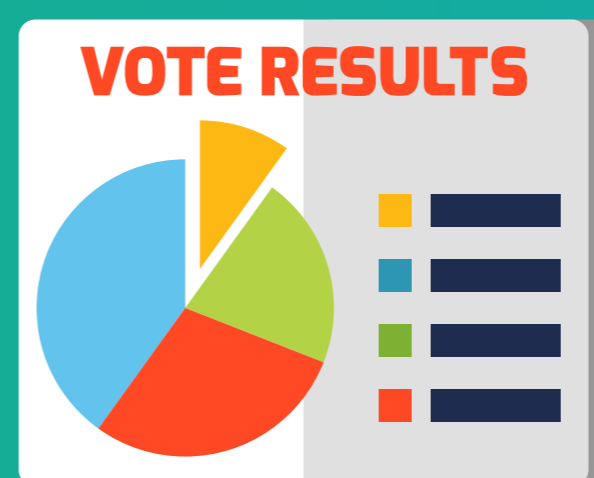
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Q: What is the voting process?

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When the last voter on the queue has voted, the ballots are sorted, counted and the votes scored by each contesting Party/Candidate as well as the rejected/ spoilt ballots are announced and filled into the result sheet



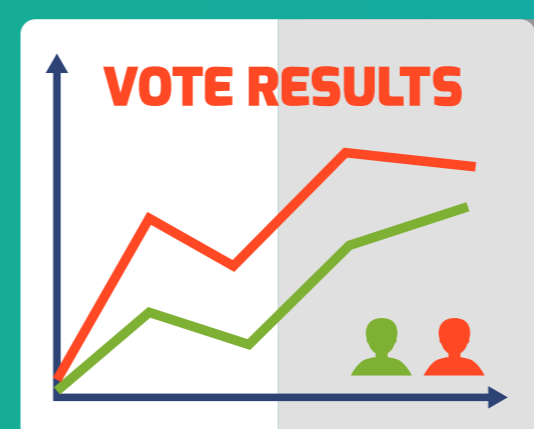
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The result is also entered into the Form EC 60 E and pasted at the Polling Unit

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The result is then taken to the various level of collation for computation

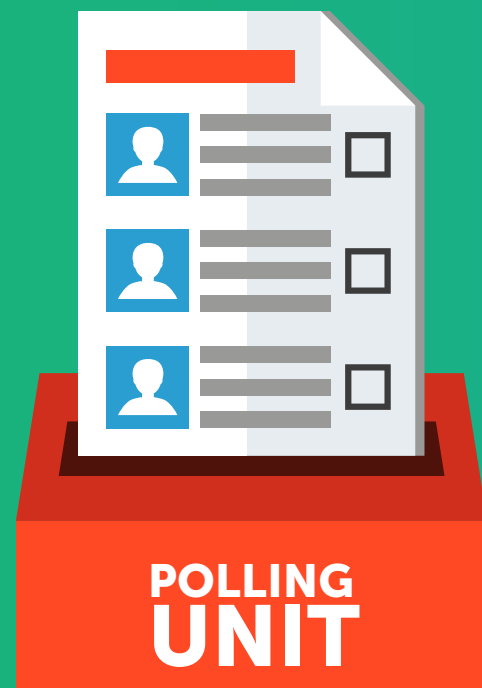


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**Q: Where is my Polling Unit?**

A



Your Polling Unit is the Polling Unit you choose during Voter's registration. It is advisable to select a Polling Unit close to your area of residence due to the restricted movement on election days. The details of your Polling Unit are contained on your Permanent Voter's Card.

You can get Polling Unit Information from the INEC Website on [www.inecnigeria.org](http://www.inecnigeria.org), INEC offices and INEC Officials.

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**Q: What is the process for transferring to another Polling Unit?**

A



The person who intends to transfer his/her registration can apply at any time during the ongoing Continuous Voters Registration in person or online through the Electoral Officer of the Local Government Area/Area Council where he/she is currently residing to the Resident Electoral Commissioner of the State provided that this is done not later than 45 days before the next election.

The transfer of voter via the online Voter Registration System can be done by logging on to the voter registration website at <https://cvr.inecnigeria.org>



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**Q: What is accreditation?**

A



Accreditation is the process of identifying voters who are qualified to vote.

**Q: Why get accredited?**

A



- 1** — To check unauthorised and multiple voting
- 2** — To stop impersonation as only the owners of a PVC can vote
- 3** — To ascertain if a voter has previously voted in the election
- 4** — To ensure that only those who are registered in that unit actually vote there



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## Q: How & when to get accredited?

A



- 1** The voters queue up in an orderly Manner
- 2** The Poll Official uses the SCR to read (verify and authenticate) the PVC presented by the voter seeking to be accredited to confirm that his/her name is in the register of voters in that unit and that he/she is the rightful owner of the card
- 3** The official then crosschecks the name in the register and ticks on the left side of the register after the confirmation
- 4** Indelible ink is applied on the appropriate finger of the voter's left hand
- 5** If the voters fingerprint is not authenticated, the voter may still be accredited if the Presiding Officer is satisfied that his/her name is in the register and that he/she is the rightful owner of the card
- 6** Accreditation of a voter is done on Election day at 8:00am and ends at 2:00pm provided that any voter already on the queue at 2:00pm shall be granted access to accreditation and voting in the prescribed manner.



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**Q: What can stop my accreditation?**

A

The following factors may prevent a prospective Voter from being accredited:

1

The voter does not have a PVC

2

The voter has previously voted

3

The voter presents another person's PVC

4

The Voter is not registered in that Polling Unit.



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**Q: Where do I register to vote?**

A



Registration is done at any INEC designated centre nearest to his/her LGA during the Continuous Voter Registration exercise.

**Q: Who can vote?**

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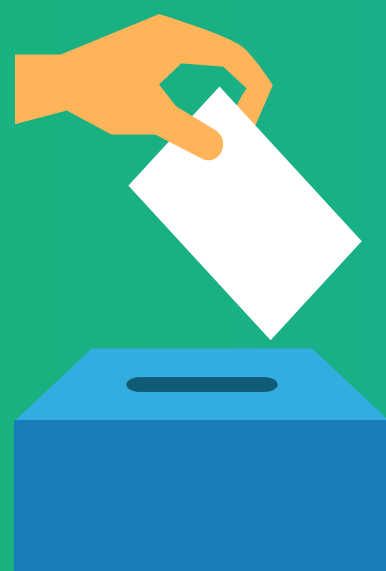
Any person who has a Permanent Voters Card (PVC).

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**Q: Where do I collect my voter card?**

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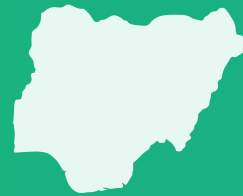
At a designated INEC Centre in the Ward/LGA/Polling Unit of registration.



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**Q: What are the voters card registration requirements?**

1



You must be a Citizen of Nigeria

2

**>18yrs**

You must be 18 years and above

3



You must ordinarily be resident in, work in, originate from the Local Government Area Council or Ward covered by the registration centre



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**Q: What are the voters card registration requirements?**

4



You must not be subject to any legal incapacity to vote under any law, rule or regulation in force in Nigeria

5



You must present yourself to the Registration Officer for registration/ biometrics capturing

6



You must be able to provide proof of identity, age and nationality if requested



You may also register for a new voter's card if you have a PVC but your name is not on the Register of Voters.