

Press Release

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Municipal elections of May 28, 2023 Voting reciprocity agreements

### In the 2023 municipal elections, nationals of Bolivia, Cape Verde, Chile, Colombia, Korea, Ecuador, Iceland, Norway, New Zealand, Paraguay, Peru, the United Kingdom and Trinidad and Tobago who reside in Spain will be able to vote

## The deadline for registering in the electoral census is from December 1, 2022 to January 15, 2023

# The Electoral Census Office will send a communication to 455,024 foreigners to facilitate this process

On May 28, 2023, municipal elections will be held in Spain Residents of Spain, of legal age on voting day, who are nationals of Bolivia, Cape Verde, Chile, Colombia, Korea, Ecuador, Iceland, Norway, New Zealand, Paraguay, Peru, the United Kingdom and Trinidad and Tobago, having signed a reciprocal voting agreement with Spain in municipal elections.

Those who wish to participate in these elections must request registration in the electoral census and comply with the other conditions of the Agreements. The conditions established in all, with the exception of the United Kingdom and Norway, are:

- To have authorisation of residence in Spain.
- Have resided in Spain, legally and without interruption, for at least five years prior to the application for registration on the electoral census.
- Be registered on the Register of the municipality in which you habitually reside, which is where you can exercise your right to vote.

The conditions set out in the agreement with the United Kingdom are:

- Hold the corresponding residence permit in Spain.
- Have resided in Spain, legally and without interruption, for at least three years prior to the application for registration on the electoral census.
- Reside in the municipality in which you are entitled to vote and be registered in its municipal register.

The conditions set out in the agreement with Norway are:

- Hold the corresponding residence permit in Spain.
- Have resided in Spain, legally and without interruption, for more than three years.

- Reside in the municipality in which you are entitled to vote and be registered in its municipal register.

### **Registration to the electoral roll**

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Nationals of the 13 countries residing in Spain who meet the conditions of the respective Agreement may request registration in the electoral census from December 1, 2022 to January 15, 2023.

To facilitate this process, the Electoral Census Office (ECO) will send a communication by post to 455,024 residents of Spain who are nationals of these 13 countries to request their registration in the electoral census.

The ones who meet all agreement conditions will receive a password so that they can register for the electoral roll online. This procedure can also be carried out if if they identify themselves with Cl@ve.

Those who meet all the conditions set out in the agreement except for the validity of the residence authorisation, must register in the electoral roll by post. They must provide a valid document that justifies authorisation to reside in Spain or proof that document renewal has been requested.

Nationals of the 13 countries who have not received a letter and who meet the conditions of the Agreement, may apply for registration in the electoral census by going to the municipalities where they are registered within the period indicated above.

Information can be requested at town halls, the provincial delegations of the OCE and by calling **900 343 232**.

#### Communications by country of nationality

The countries of nationality with the highest number of communications to be sent are the United Kingdom (211,277), Ecuador (66,086) and Colombia (60,275).

Country of nationality	Communications
Total	455,024
Bolivia	38,036
Cape Verde	1,471
Chile	10,175
Colombia	60,275
Ecuador	66,086
Iceland	557
Korea	1,546
New Zealand	269
Norway	7,915
Paraguay	29,710
Peru	27,678
Trinidad and Tobago	29
United Kingdom	211,277

#### Communications to be sent by country of nationality

### **Communications by provinces**

The provinces with the highest number of communications are Madrid (69,698), Alicante/Alacant (68,097) and Barcelona (51,974).

Communications to be sent by province of nationality	
Province of residence	Communications
Total	455,024
Albacete	1,991
Alicante/Alacant	68,097
Almería	14,512
Araba/Álava	1,839
Asturias	3,289
Ávila	682
Badajoz	799
Balears (Illes)	26,498
Barcelona	51,974
Bizkaia	6,171
Burgos	1,261
Cáceres	551
Cádiz	7,267
Cantabria	3,107
Castellón/Castelló	2,827
Ciudad Real	1,677
Córdoba	1,687
Coruña (A)	2,596
Cuenca	1,037
Gipuzkoa	2,404
Girona	6,125
Granada	7,549
Guadalajara	1,633
Huelva	1,359
Huesca	716
Jaén	1,210
León	1,224
Lleida	1,922
Lugo	1,180
Madrid	69,698
Málaga	43,816
Murcia	29,661
Navarra	3,613
Ourense	575
Palencia	505
Palmas (Las)	17,943
Pontevedra	2,365
Rioja (La)	2,303
Salamanca	792
Santa Cruz de Tenerife	17,336
Segovia	591
Sevilla	5,388
Soria	5,366
	6.836
Tarragona	- /
Teruel Toledo	<u>395</u>
Valencia/València	18,821
Valladolid	1,181
Zamora	256
Zaragoza	5,124
Ceuta	44
Melilla	132

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