Eligibility for Registration

There are two basic qualifying criteria to be eligible for entry on the Register of Electors. A person must

- (a) be 18 years or over on 15th February in the year in which the Register comes into force
- (b) have been ordinarily resident at the address in question on the 1st September in the year preceding the year in which the Register comes into force. A person may not be registered at more than one address.

While every adult resident is entitled to be registered, a person's citizenship determines their category of elector and the type of elections at which they may vote. There are four categories of electors as follows:

Elector Category	Citizenship	Type of Election at which eligible to vote
Presidential	Irish	All elections and referenda
Dail	British	Dail, European and Local elections
European	Other EU	European and Local Elections
Local	Non-EU	Local Government elections only

A total of 184,540 electors are registered to vote in the South Dublin County Council administrative area. These are broken down into elector categories as follows:

Elector Category	No. of Electors
Presidential	173,797
Dail	175,259
European	175,506
Local	184,540

The statutory provisions relating to the qualifications for registration as electors are contained in the <u>Electoral Act 1992 (Sections 7-10)</u>.