

Political Activity Quick Guide

Am I...

A Less Restricted DoD Employee

All DoD civilian employees and Schedule C appointments not covered under "Further restricted"

A Further Restricted DoD Employee or Active Duty Service Member

Presidential Appointees confirmed by the Senate (PAS), Non-career members of the Senior Executive Service (SES), Career members of the SES, Contract appeals board members, or employees of the NSA, DIA, or National Geo-Spatial-Intelligence Agency

Yes
 No

May I...



Volunteer to work on a campaign of a candidate running for partisan political office



Engage in non-partisan political activity, including issue oriented campaigns, i.e., Healthcare, tax reform, and gun control



Engage in political activity in a Federal building



Park my personal vehicle with a (one) political bumper sticker in a government parking lot



Place a campaign sign in your yard (not on a military installation)



Write a letter to an editor, in my personal capacity, that endorses a candidate running for partisan political office



Serve as an election judge for a city or county



Work or stand at the polls, for a partisan candidate, on Election Day



Make a monetary contribution to a political party or candidate



Solicit, accept, or receive political contributions



Use official equipment while engaging in political activity



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