

Poll Tax & Census Amendment of April 2025

Poll tax: ~~Eligible citizens shall be granted registered voter status for the next calendar month after the payment of a poll tax—five days of passive Player Essence generation—to the government in a readily verifiable way:~~

Poll tax: The “poll tax”, or “census”, shall be called for by the Secretary of the Interior every 1 (one) to 6 (six) months at their discretion, but never exceeding more than once in a given month. Eligible citizens shall be granted registered voter status for the entire time between paying the poll tax and the next poll tax.

- (i) The government must set up an exchange chest (or relay) in a reasonable location—or locations—accessible to all Icenians. The location and instructions on how to find it must be readily available to all Icenians.
- (ii) The exchange chest will trade the required amount of Player Essence for a receipt. The purchaser must then screenshot the item’s tooltip, with the exchange chest recognisably within its background, and must submit it to the government, such as via a #voter-registration discord channel.
 - (a) Mods that would add helpful information to the screenshot, such as the player’s location or a timestamp, would assist the government in verifying the payment, but are not required.
- (iii) The Secretary of the Interior, or other authorised person, is expected to verify poll-tax payments within a reasonable period and maintain a publicly available database of voter registrations and their expiration dates.
- (iv) If the Secretary of the Interior has forgotten to verify poll taxes before an election, any previously registered voter will still be allowed to vote in an election.