

# President of the United States of America

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Presidential Seal

The president of the United States is the chief executive of the federal government and commander-in-chief of the United States Military. Below is a list of presidential responsibilities

- \* The president manages the U.S. government and the country's national affairs.
- \* The president can issue executive orders – rules or actions that do not require congressional approval.
- \* The president can mobilize and call to action the National Guard.
- \* The president nominates all heads of executive departments.
- \* The president prepares the national budget.
- \* The president can veto acts of Congress (though the presidential veto can be overridden via vote).
- \* The president prepares the State of the Union Address, a nationally televised speech outlining the status of the United States.
- \* The president appoints members of the Supreme Court.

## Requirements to be President

The president must be a natural-born citizen of the United States. The president must also be at least 35 years old and a resident of the United States for 14 years.

## Election

Presidential elections are held every four years. Presidents can serve a maximum of two terms, or eight years in office. The president and vice-president are the only officials elected on a national scale.

## Salary

The president of the United States is the highest paid government employee. The president earns \$400,000 per year. That said, did you know the CEO of Apple (Tim Cook) makes over 200 times what the President of the United States makes?

