

# In Photos: Russia Opens Voting in Occupied Ukrainian Territories, Frontline Areas

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While Russian citizens will cast their votes in the 2024 presidential election from March 15-17, early voting is already underway in Russian-occupied regions of Ukraine. Russia claimed to have annexed the regions of Donetsk, Luhansk, Kherson and Zaporizhzhia in September 2022 following referendums that Kyiv and the West described as a sham. Moscow has opened polling stations in the parts of these four regions that it controls, despite the regions being internationally recognized as part of Ukraine. Here is a look at photos from the early voting in occupied Ukraine and frontline areas:



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