SPEAKER



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ELECTION 2024 VOTING FROM ABROAD

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Overseas Voting



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Voter Registration and Absentee Ballot

Request forms available at www.fvap.gov

- Click "Request your Ballot Now"
- Fill out your personal information
- Website will provide local election office guidelines

OR

Fill out Voter Registration and Absentee Ballot Request

Come see our table after the presentation

2024 General Election

During the 2024 election cycle, a number of important offices will be decided by voters, including:

- President and Vice President
- 34 seats in the U.S. Senate
- 435 seats in the U.S. House of Representatives
- 13 Governorships
- State and local offices
- Ballot questions and referenda

Myths and Facts

MYTH: Absentee ballots are not counted unless it's a close race.

FACT: All valid absentee ballots are counted

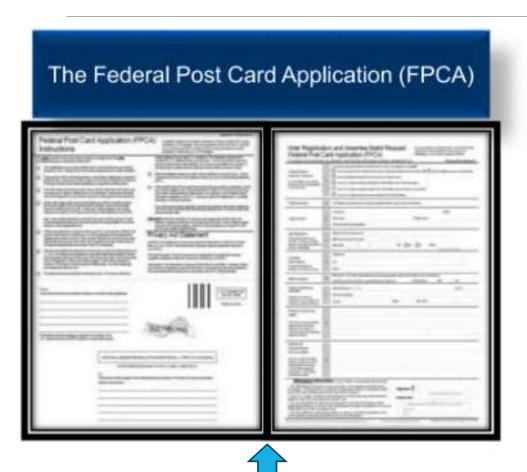
States differ in when they count absentee ballots

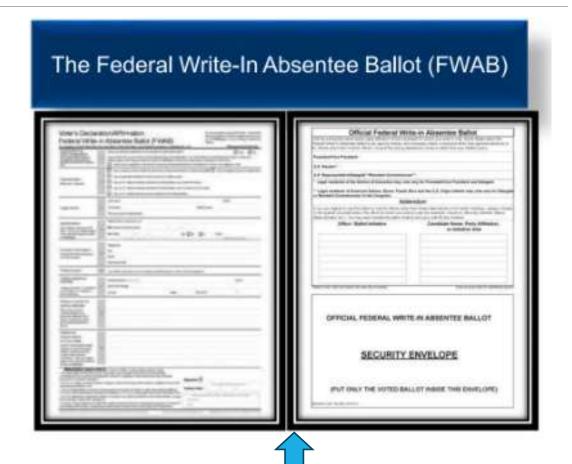
Many States require absentee ballots to be received by Election Day

Some States accept absentee ballots after Election Day

The election is not certified until all absentee ballots received by the State's deadline are counted

As a voter, you should be familiar with two forms:



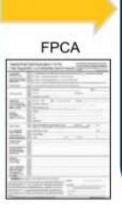


We have these available today

You can request this at www.fvap.gov

The Absentee Voting Process

Step 1: A UOCAVA citizen completes the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) to apply to register to vote and request an absentee ballot. The completed FPCA is submitted to the applicant's local election official.



Step 2: The local election official reviews the submitted FPCA. After verifying eligibility, the local election official sends the applicant an absentee ballot.



Step 3: The applicant receives the absentee ballot, votes the ballot and returns it to the local election official to be counted.

Note: If applicants have not received an absentee ballot 30 days before the election, they should complete and submit the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) to ensure that their vote is received in time to be counted.



Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB)

The FWAB is a backup ballot for overseas voters who have not yet received their State absentee ballot and may not have time to return the state ballot before the deadline

FVAP recommends that voters who have **not received their absentee ballot 30**days before an election complete and submit a FWAB

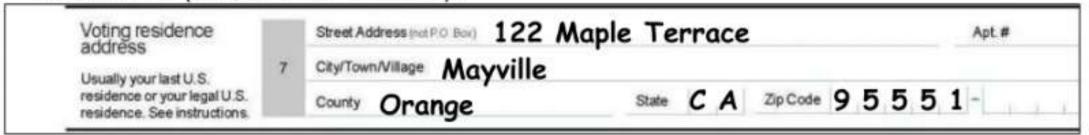
FVAP has created Online Assistants that automate and simplify the process of filling out the FPCA and FWAB.

The Online Assistant offers point-and-click assistance and produces printable forms that eliminate legibility errors.

The Online Assistant also produces a postage-paid template that then may be printed onto an envelope and mailed.



A local election official needs an applicant's voting residence address in order to confirm the applicant's voting precinct. The address must be for a residence (i.e., not a P.O. box).



For Overseas Citizens: Your "legal State of residence" for voting purposes is the State or territory where you last resided immediately prior to your departure from the United States. This applies to overseas citizens even though you may not have property or other ties in your last State of residence and your intent to return to that State may be uncertain.

For U.S. citizens who have never resided in the U.S.: Your "legal State of residence" for voting purposes is the State or territory that your parent or legal guardian would be eligible to register and vote.

FVAP recommends using old tax documents, passports, or contacting your local election official to identify your voting residence address.

Completed FPCAs should be submitted to the applicant's local election official for processing.

- ✓ All States and territories accept the FPCA via mail.
 - Mailing addresses for local election officials are available in the Voting Assistance Guide.
 - The FPCA can be mailed postage paid through the U.S. Postal Service, Military Postal Service or State Department pouch mail. The postage-paid envelope template is produced by the Online Assistant and is also available at http://www.fvap.gov/uploads/FVAP/Forms/returnenvelope.pdf.
 - Never mail forms to your embassy/consulate. Consult them first before dropping forms off.



After Submission

After receiving an FPCA, a local election official will process the form and verify the applicant's eligibility

You are encouraged to call, fax or email you local election official to verify that your application has been received

You should receive your regular State absentee ballot from the local election official in time for you to vote and return the ballot by the State's deadline

Voters who have submitted an FPCA and have not received their absentee ballot 30 days (~OCT 6) before the election should submit the FWAB

FAQs

When should I request a ballot? Today! (~3 months ahead – August)

Can I vote at the embassy? Drop off your election mail at the Consular (east) entrance

When will I get my ballot? Election offices required to send ballots at least 45 days before election (~Sep 21)

Can I vote if I've never lived in the US? **Depends on the state, check** https://www.fvap.gov/citizen-voter/reside

What is my US voting residence address? Likely your last US address – contact local voting office to confirm

Do I need to pay for postage? Not if you are voting through the embassy drop box. If sending through foreign carrier, then you need to pay postage

Questions?

Complete forms online at www.fvap.gov

Email any questions to votephnompenh@state.gov

Voter registration and absentee ballot requests are available at our table