





DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
**BOARD OF ELECTIONS**  
WASHINGTON, DC 20003-4733



## ABSENTEE VOTING INFORMATION

Anyone registered to vote in the District of Columbia can vote by absentee ballot in any election in which they are eligible to vote. If you are not registered to vote, visit [www.dcboe.org](http://www.dcboe.org) for instructions on how to register to vote, or visit the District of Columbia Board of Elections (DCBOE) at the address below.

- **How do I request an absentee ballot?** Fill out this form completely, sign it, and return it to the Board of Elections in person, by mail, by eFax at 202.347.2648, or by email in a scanned attachment at [DCabsentee@dcboe.org](mailto:DCabsentee@dcboe.org).
- **Do I have to use the DCBOE Absentee Ballot Request Form?** No, you are not required to use the Absentee Ballot Request Form to request an absentee ballot - any signed document requesting an absentee ballot is acceptable. Please ensure that your request for an absentee ballot includes the following information:
  - **Your name**
  - **The election(s) for which you are requesting a ballot**
  - **The address at which you are registered**
  - **Your current address (if different from above)**
  - **Your contact information (telephone number and/or email address)**
  - **Your date of birth**
  - **Mailing address to which the ballot should be sent**
  - **Your original signature (A signed absentee ballot request sent electronically will be considered to contain an original signature)**
  - **Optional: your telephone number and email address (while not required, this information will expedite the processing of your request, should we need to contact you)**
- **How will I receive my absentee ballot?** You will receive your absentee ballot by mail at the mailing address you provide on the Absentee Ballot Request Form.
- **How do I vote my absentee ballot?** Complete instructions on how to vote and return your ballot will be included along with your ballot.
- **When must I return my ballot?** Your voted and mailed ballot must be postmarked or otherwise demonstrated to have been sent on or before Election Day, and must arrive no later than the 7th day after Election Day. You can track the status of your absentee ballot at [https://www.dcboe.org/voter/info/absentee ballot/ab status.asp](https://www.dcboe.org/voter/info/absentee%20ballot/ab%20status.asp).

**Your request for an absentee ballot must be received by no later than 15 days before the election in which you wish to vote. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us using the information below.**