DCBOE Reminds Military, Overseas Voters to Plan for June Primary Election

The deadline for registration by mail and online is May 14, 2024

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The District of Columbia Board of Elections (DCBOE) is reminding military and overseas civilian voters to plan ahead to ensure their ability to participate in the June 4, 2024 Primary Election.

The following are important deadlines that are applicable to military and overseas voters:

- Voter registration applications and updates to existing registrations that are submitted by mail or online must be received by May 14, 2024. You can use the Federal Postcard Application (FPCA), the Board’s voter registration application, or the Federal Write-in Absentee Ballot (FWAB) to register to vote.
- Requests for an absentee ballot must be received by June 1, 2024.
- Mailed absentee ballots must be POSTMARKED by Primary Election Day, June 4, 2024 and RECEIVED by June 14, 2024.
- E-mailed or faxed absentee ballots must be RECEIVED by June 4, 2024 at 8:00 pm.

The June 4, 2024 Primary Election ballot will include the following contests:

- Presidential Nominee (DC Democratic and DC Statehood Green Parties only)
- Delegate to the United States House of Representatives
- At-large Member of the Council of the District of Columbia
- Ward Member of the Council of the District of Columbia (Wards 2, 4, 7, & 8)
- United States Senator
- United States Representative
- National and Local Party Committee Members (DC Republican Committee only)

A current listing of candidates in the contests above and additional information about the election can be found on DCBOE’s website at https://dcboe.org/elections/2024-elections.

Military and overseas voters who do not receive their ballots in time may use the FWAB to vote. To vote using the FWAB, please read the instructions carefully.
Fill out the Voter Information section of the form completely and remember to sign and date the form. In the Official Backup Ballot section, write down the title of the office you wish to make a selection for (unless it is already provided) and then privately write in the name of your candidate of choice or that candidate’s party affiliation. (If a contest allows you to vote for more than one candidate, write in no more names than the maximum number of candidates you are allowed to vote for.) You are not required to make a selection for each and every contest.

The District of Columbia has a closed primary. This means that you must be registered with a political party (Democratic, Republican, or DC Statehood Green) in order to vote in this election, and you may only vote for the candidates in the party with which you are affiliated.

Military and overseas voters can visit https://dcboe.org/voters/casting-your-vote/military-and-overseas-voters-(uocava) for additional information. If you have any questions after reading this information, please contact DCBOE by phone at 202-727-2525 or by email at uocava@dcboe.org.

The District of Columbia Board of Elections is an independent agency of the District of Columbia Government responsible for the administration of elections, ballot access, and voter registration.

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