Instructions

How to vote by absentee ballot for military and overseas voters sent ballots electronically

Note: Your ballot must be printed out and physically returned. It cannot be returned electronically.

You will need:

- A printer
- A pen with black ink
 - Two envelopes (you have 3 options):
 - Address your own blank envelopes by hand
 - Print the envelope templates directly onto envelopes (print the mailing envelope onto an envelope approximately 4 ½ inches by 9 ½ inches so that everything is positioned according to postal regulations)
 - If you do not have access to any envelopes, create the envelopes by folding and taping or gluing the attachments.
- Your ID number

Minnesota driver's license number, Minnesota ID card number, U.S. passport number, or the last four digits of your Social Security number.

See below if you do not have access to any of these numbers.

1 Print the materials

- Print your ballot, the Certificate of Eligibility, and the envelope templates if you are using them.
- Please note that the ballot may take multiple pages.
- Your printer should automatically scale the documents to fit on the printable area of the page. Just be sure that none of the words or ovals are cut off.

① Vote!

- Mark your votes in private.
- Follow the instructions on the ballot.
- Do not write your name or an ID number anywhere on the ballot.
- Do not vote for more candidates than allowed.

If you do, your votes for that office will not count.

See below if you make a mistake on your ballot.

3 Use one of the envelopes as the ballot envelope

- Put your ballot in this envelope to keep your votes private.
- Seal the envelope.
- Do not write on this envelope.

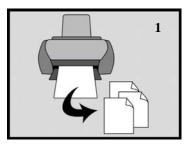
4 Fill out the Certificate of Eligibility <u>completely</u>

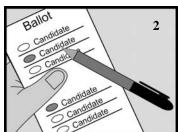
- Print your name and your Minnesota <u>street</u> address, including city (present or last).
- Print your e-mail address and phone number (optional).
- Print your Minnesota driver's license number, Minnesota ID card number, passport number, or the last four digits of your Social Security number.

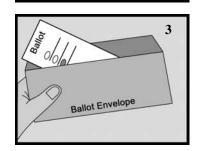
Be sure to use one of the same numbers that you provided on your absentee ballot application.

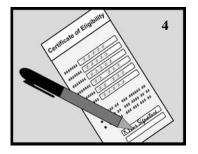
If you do not have access to any of these documents, leave this space blank.

Read and sign the oath.





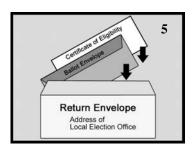




6 Put it all together

- Attach the Certificate of Eligibility to the ballot envelope.
- Your second envelope is the return (mailing) envelope.
- Put the ballot envelope and the Certificate of Eligibility into the return envelope.
- Seal the return envelope.
- Address the return envelope to:

Official Absentee Balloting Material
______ County
[Street address]
[City], MN [Zip Code]
USA



6 Return your ballot by Election Day to the address above

- Send it so it arrives by Election Day, using mail, a package delivery service, or the diplomatic pouch at a U.S. embassy or consulate.
- Postage is not required if the postal permit is on the envelope and it is sent using
 U.S. mail, U.S. military mail, or the diplomatic pouch. Postage may be required if you use a foreign mail service or a package delivery service.

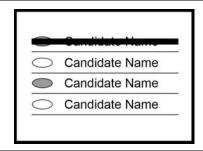


To check the status of your absentee ballot, visit https://mnvotes.gov

If you need any help while voting, please contact your county elections office at [insert e-mail address] or [insert telephone number].

Correcting a mistake

- Print out a new ballot, or
- Ask for a new ballot from your election office, or
- Completely cross out the name of the candidate you accidentally marked and then mark your ballot for the candidate you prefer (do <u>not</u> initial your corrections).



If you have a disability:

If you have a disability or cannot mark your ballot, another person may assist you by marking your ballot at your direction, assembling the materials, and filling out the forms for you.

When signing the Certificate of Eligibility, Minnesota law says you may:

- Sign the Certificate yourself, or
- Make your mark, or
- Ask another person to sign for you in your presence. (Have this person sign their own name as well.)
- If you have adopted the use of a signature stamp for all purposes of signature, you may use your signature stamp or ask another person to use your signature stamp in your presence.

Minnesota Statutes, section 645.44, subdivision 14

Please note: Voting is not covered by a power of attorney. A person with power of attorney may only sign for you in your presence, as outlined above.

Confidentiality Notice: Your name and address is available to the public when used for elections, political and law enforcement purposes. Otherwise, the data you supply on your Certificate of Eligibility is restricted to election officials until 8:00 p.m. on Election Day. After that time, your certificate and the data on it, other than your identification number, are public information. Your ID number is required to ensure that the ballot is returned by the same voter who applied for it. You may refuse to provide it, but doing so may lead your absentee ballot to be rejected and will prevent you from checking on the status of your absentee ballot online.