

# VOTING WHILE DEPLOYED



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*Serving in the military? Have an absentee ballot sent to you  
wherever you are in the world!*

## WHO CAN APPLY

Military members serving outside their home precinct can apply.  
Spouses and dependents are also eligible.

## STEP 1: APPLY FOR A BALLOT



Apply once you are on Active Duty at [mnvotes.gov](https://mnvotes.gov)/  
**UOCAVA**. Your ballot application also serves as a voter  
registration application. Your spouse, parent, sibling or  
child age 18 and older can apply for you.

## STEP 2: RECEIVE VOTING MATERIALS

You can choose to receive voting materials by mail, fax, or email. If  
you choose email you will receive materials, including a printable  
postage-paid envelope, on the first day of absentee voting.

## STEP 3: VOTE AND COMPLETE FORMS

Read your ballot instructions carefully! Your ballot will not count if  
you do not complete and return all forms.

## STEP 4: MAIL BALLOT BACK BY DEADLINE

Your ballot **will not count** if it is received **after** Election Day.  
Return your materials early enough to account for delivery time  
via mail, a package delivery service (such as FedEx or UPS) or the

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diplomatic pouch at a U.S. Embassy or Consulate. You **cannot** return your ballot by email or fax.

## STEP 5: CONFIRM YOUR BALLOT WAS RECEIVED



All absentee ballots that are received on time and had the forms filled out correctly will be counted. You can check to see if your ballot was received and counted at [mnvotes.gov/track](https://mnvotes.gov/track).

## EMERGENCY WRITE-IN BALLOT



If you have not received voting materials in time, download and print an emergency ballot (Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot) at [fvap.gov/fwab](https://fvap.gov/fwab). The ballot will have blanks for you to write your choices. Your write-in ballot must be returned by Election Day.

### 2025 DATES

#### Primary Election

#### General Election

Ballots sent starting

Friday, June 27

Friday, September 19

Recommended you mail back before

Friday, July 11

Friday, October 3

Deadline for ballot to be received

Election Day  
Tuesday, August 12

Election Day  
Tuesday, November 4



## VIEW YOUR SAMPLE BALLOT

Find out what is on your ballot at [mnvotes.gov/myballot](https://mnvotes.gov/myballot).