

Dear

Thank you for using the GetMyBallot.org online voter registration process.

Please carefully follow these 5 steps to complete the application process:

1. Check your documents

Verify your information.

If corrections are needed, return to the GetMyBallot website, http://getmyballot.org to correct and download new forms.

2. Print, sign and check the date on your form

Sign your Voter Registration/Ballot Request form and addendum page

Your election official required your *ORIGINAL SIGNATURE* on the forms.

ADDRESS YOUR ENVELOPE TO YOUR LOCAL ELECTION OFFICE:

USA

3. Send in your signed and dated original form

Postal Mail: GetMyBallot recommends regular mail as the most secure method for transmitting your confidential election materials to your local election official. Mail them from a post office instead of a mailbox and, if possible, get the envelope legibly postmarked with the date of mailing.

Your envelope should include proof of mailing from outside the US.

Please consider delivery times and the reliability of the postal service in your country of residence to ensure your voter registration/ballot request is received by the required date.

- **Foreign postmark:** All states will accept a foreign postmark as evidence of submission from outside the US
- **Consular stamp:** Your local US Embassy or Consulate can provide a consular stamp as evidence of submission from outside the US. Use either a specially marked US postage-free "Official Balloting Material" envelope or affix a US postage stamp
- **Commercial carrier:** Most states (please check with your state as the address may be different or get in touch with us to help find out) will also accept delivery via a commercial carrier service such as, FedEx, DHL, UPS etc. as evidence of submission from outside the United States

Fax, Email + Post the Original: Some states allow you to fax or email the form to speed processing; However, a posted hardcopy form must follow it with your original signature by mail in order for it to be considered a valid application.

In addition, electronic transmission is not considered a secure transmission for you confidential personal information. Consult, "Election Info" section on our website to find options for how to send in your application

4. Confirm that you are on the voter rolls and that you will receive your ballots

We recommend that you contact your local election official after sending in your application to confirm that it has been received and approved, and that you will receive your ballots throughout the year.

Overseas Voting Contact

Local Election Official

Never assume that your ballot will automatically arrive for the next election. Contact your election official and avoid surprises.

Online Registration Conformation: Consult the "Election Info" section on our website for your state's voter registration confirmation service.

5. Mark your calendar and be prepared to use a back-up ballot

Sometimes ballots arrive late. If you haven't received your official ballot from your local election office **30** days before the election, return to our website and use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot option.

Thank you exercising your right to vote.

GetMyBallot.org is an initiative provided by American Voices International (AVI), a non-partisan political action committee (PAC) committed to having the voices of Americans living overseas heard by policymakers in Washington DC.

Please consider making a <u>donation</u> to help keep this service free and American overseas voices heard in Washington DC.

Remember to remind your friends and family to register.

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