

State Early Voting By Mail Rules

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Alabama	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the circuit clerk. Your application must be received by the local circuit clerk no later than 5 days before the election. Your voted ballot must be postmarked no later than the day before the election.
Alaska	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the Division of Elections. Your application must be received no later than 7 days before the election. Ballots are mailed between 2 weeks and 1 week before an election. Your voted ballot must be postmarked no later than election day and must be received by the Division of Elections no later than 10 days after the election.
Arizona	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the county recorder. Your application must be received no later than 11 days before the election. Your voted ballot must be received by the county recorder no later than the close of polls on election day.
Arkansas	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the county clerk. Your application must be received no later than 7 days before the election. Your voted ballot must be received by the county clerk no later than the close of polls on election day.
California	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the county elections office. Your application must be received no later than 7 days before the election. Your voted ballot must be received by the county elections office no later than the close of polls on election day.
Colorado	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the county clerk. Your application must be received no later than the 11th day before the election. Your voted ballot must be received by the county clerk no later than the close of polls on election day.
Connecticut	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the town clerk (the link to the list of town clerks is at the top of this page). Your application must be received in time for the ballot to be sent to you, but no later than the day before the election. Your voted ballot must be received by the town clerk no later than the close of polls on election day.
Delaware	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the county department of elections. Your application must be received in time for the ballot to be sent to you, but no later than the day before the election. Your voted ballot must be received by the county department of elections no later than the close of polls on election day.
District of Columbia	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the Board of Elections' Voter Services office. Your application must be received no later than 7 days before the election. Your voted ballot must be received by the Board of Elections' Voter Services office no later than the close of polls on election day.
Florida	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the local elections supervisor. Your application must be received in time for the ballot to be sent to you. Your voted ballot must be received by the local elections supervisor no later than the close of polls on election day.
Georgia	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the county board of registrars. Your application must be received no later than the Friday before the election. Your voted ballot must be received by the county board of registrars no later than the close of polls on election day.
Hawaii	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the city or town clerk. Your application must be received no later than 7 days before the election. Your voted ballot must be received by the city or town clerk no later than the close of polls on election day.
Idaho	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the county clerk. Your application must be received no later than 6 days before the election. Your voted ballot must be received by the county clerk no later than the close of polls on election day.
Illinois	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the local election authority. Your application must be received no later than 5 days before the election. Your voted ballot must be received by the local election authority no later than the close of polls on election day.
Indiana	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the circuit clerk or the board of elections. Your application must be received no later than 8 days before the election. Your voted ballot must be received by the circuit clerk or by the board of elections no later than the close of polls on election day.
Iowa	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the county auditor. Your application must be received no later than the Friday before the election. Your voted ballot must be received by the county auditor no later than the close of polls on election day.
Kansas	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the county elections office. Your application must be received no later than the Friday before election day. Your voted ballot must be received by the county election office no later than the close of polls on election day.
Kentucky	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the county clerk. Your application must be received no later than 7 days before the election. Your voted ballot must be received by the county clerk no later than the close of polls on election day.
Louisiana	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the parish registrar. Your application must be received no later than 96 hours (about 3 days) before the close of polls on election day. Your voted ballot must be received by the parish registrar no later than the day before the election.
Maine	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the city or town clerk. Your application must be received early enough for the ballot to be mailed to you. Your voted ballot must be received by the city or town clerk no later than the close of polls on election day.
Maryland	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the local board of elections. Your application must be received no later than 7 days before the election. Your voted ballot must be received by the local board of elections no later than the close of polls on election day.
Massachusetts	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to your city or town clerk. Your application must be received early enough for the ballot to be mailed to you. Your voted ballot must be received by the city or town clerk no later than the close of polls on election day.
Michigan	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the city or town clerk. Your application must be received no later than the Saturday before election day. Your voted ballot must be received by the city or town clerk no later than the close of polls on election day.
Minnesota	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the county auditor. Your application must be received early enough for the ballot to be mailed to you. Your voted ballot must be received by the county auditor no later than the close of polls on election day.
Mississippi	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to your local circuit clerk. Your application must be received in time for the ballot to be sent to you. Your voted ballot must be received by the local circuit clerk no later than the day before the election. Please note: It is illegal to hand deliver a voted absentee ballot if it was obtained by mail.
Missouri	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to your county clerk or elections official. Your application must be received no later than the Wednesday before the election. Your voted ballot must be received by the county clerk or elections official no later than the close of polls on election day.

Montana	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the local election office. Your application must be received no later than the day before election day. Your voted ballot must be received by the local election office no later than the close of polls on election day.
Nebraska	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to your county clerk or election commissioner. Your application must be received no later than the Wednesday prior to the election. Your voted ballot must be received by the county clerk or election commissioner no later than the close of polls on election day.
Nevada	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to your county clerk or registrar. Your application must be received no later than 7 days before the election. Your voted ballot must be received by the county clerk or registrar no later than the close of polls on election day.
New Hampshire	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the city or town clerk. Your application must be received in time for the ballot to be mailed to you. Your voted ballot must be received by the city or town clerk no later than the close of polls on election day.
New Jersey	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the county clerk. Your application must be received no later than 7 days before election day. Your voted ballot must be received by the county clerk no later than the close of polls on election day.
New Mexico	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the county clerk. Your application must be received no later than 5 days before the election. Your voted ballot must be received by the county clerk no later than the close of polls on election day.
New York	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the local elections board. Your application must be received no later than 7 days before the election. Your voted ballot must be received by the local elections board no later than the close of polls on election day.
North Carolina	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the county board of elections. Your application must be received no later than the Tuesday prior to election day. Your voted ballot must be received by the county board of elections no later than the close of polls on election day.
North Dakota	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the county auditor. Your application must be received in time for the ballot to be mailed to you. Your voted ballot must be received by the county auditor no later than the day before election day.
Ohio	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the county board of elections. Your application must be received no later than noon on the Saturday before the election. Your voted ballot must be received by the county board of elections no later than the close of polls on election day.
Oklahoma	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the county election board. Your application must be received no later than the Wednesday before the election. Your voted ballot must be received by the county election board no later than the close of polls on election day. If the ballot is mailed to you, it must also be returned by mail.
Oregon	Elections in Oregon are run by mail ballot, so everyone in the state automatically receives ballots at the same time and must return them by the end of the day on election day. Please be sure that your voter registration information is up to date with your current address. Ballots are mailed between 14 and 18 days before the election. Absentee ballots are available 45 days before the election, and can be filled out in person ahead of time or requested and submitted by mail if necessary.
Pennsylvania	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the county board of elections. Your application must be received no later than 5PM, 7 days before the election. Your voted ballot must be received by the county board of elections no later than 5PM the Friday before the election. If it is received between this deadline and the close of polls on election day, only the votes for President/Vice President will be counted. If it turns out that the voter is present on Election Day, he or she can go to their polling place to cancel their absentee ballot and vote in person.
Rhode Island	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the state Board of Elections. Your application must be received no later than 21 days before the election. Your voted ballot must be received by the local board of canvassers no later than the close of polls on election day. Please note: the application is sent to the state Board of Elections, but the voted ballot is returned to the local board of canvassers.
South Carolina	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the county voter registration office. Your application must be received no later than 4 days before the election. Your voted ballot must be received by the county voter registration office no later than the close of polls on election day.
South Dakota	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the county auditor. Your application must be received in time for the ballot to be mailed to you. Your voted ballot must be received by the county auditor no later than the close of polls on election day.
Tennessee	Please note that the reasons for voting early by mail are very restrictive in Tennessee. Please consider voting early in person unless you are certain you qualify for a mail ballot. If you choose to vote early by mail, you must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the county election commissioner. Your application must be received no later than 7 days before the election. Ballots will not be mailed within 5 days of the election. Your voted ballot must be received by the county election commissioner no later than the close of polls on election day.
Texas	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the county clerk or local elections administrator. Your application must be received no later than 7 days before the election. Your voted ballot must be received by the county clerk or local elections administrator no later than the close of polls on election day.
Utah	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the county clerk. Your application must be received no later than the Friday before the election. Your voted ballot must be postmarked before election day and received by the county clerk no later than the day of the official canvass.
Vermont	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the town clerk. Your application must be received no later than the day before the election, but allowing time for the ballot to be mailed to you. Your voted ballot must be received by the town clerk no later than the close of polls on election day.
Virginia	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the local registrar. Your application must be received no later than the Thursday before the election. Your voted ballot must be received by the local registrar no later than the close of polls on election day.
Washington	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the county auditor. Your application must be received no later than the day before the election, allowing time for the ballot to be mailed to you. Your voted ballot must be received by the county auditor no later than the close of polls on election day.
West Virginia	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the county clerk. Your application must be received no later than 6 days before the election. Your voted ballot must be postmarked no later than election day but received by the county clerk no later than the official canvass.
Wisconsin	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the municipal clerk. Your application must be received no later than the Friday before the election. Your voted ballot must be received by the municipal clerk no later than the close of polls on election day.
Wyoming	You must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the county clerk. Your application must be received no later than the day before the election, leaving time for the ballot to be mailed to you. Your voted ballot must be received by the county clerk no later than the close of polls on election day.