



ABSENTEE VOTING

Absentee Ballot Information

No absentee/advance ballots are issued on the day before or the day of an election.

You may vote absentee in the Elections Office if:

You will be absent from your precinct from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Election Day

You are an Election Official

You have a physical disability

You are required to give constant care to someone who is physically disabled

You are required to remain on duty in your place of employment for the protection of health, life or safety of the public during the entire time the polls are open

You are 75 years of age or older

You observe a religious holiday that falls on Election Day

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You may request an absentee ballot as early as 180 days before an election. Absentee ballots must be received by the county Elections office by 7:00 p.m. on Election Day. No absentee ballots are issued on the day of before or the day of an election. You may download an absentee ballot application and mail, fax or deliver in person to your county Elections office. The application must be in writing and contain the address to which the ballot is to be mailed, sufficient information to identify you as a voter, and the election in which you wish to vote – **no reason is required when requesting an absentee ballot by mail.** If you are physically disabled or living temporarily outside your county of residence, a close relative (mother, father, grandparent, aunt, uncle, sister, brother, spouse, son, daughter, niece, nephew, grandchild, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, mother-in-law, father-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law who is 18 or over) may apply for an absentee ballot for you. The absentee ballot shall be mailed to the voter.

Applications for absentee ballots by uniformed or overseas voters (pursuant to the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act) can be accepted more than 180 days prior to a primary or election in which a federal candidate appears on the ballot as well as for any runoffs resulting there from including presidential preference primaries for tow general elections.

May I receive assistance with my absentee ballot?

A physically disabled or illiterate voter may receive assistance from another voter in the same county or municipality or from the same category of relatives who can make an application for or deliver an absentee ballot. If the voter is outside of the county or municipality, then a notary public can provide such assistance. Any person who assists

another person to vote absentee must complete an oath prescribed by law demonstrating the statutory disability and that the ballot was completed as the voter desired. Other than federal elections, no person may assist more than ten voters in a primary, election, or runoff. A candidate on the ballot, or a relative of a candidate on the ballot, may not offer assistance during the election to any voter who is not related to the candidate.

You may vote absentee by mail without providing a reason. After completing the application, you can mail it or fax it to the Election Superintendent. The absentee ballot cannot be faxed – only the application to **(770) 786-2211**. Please note: This application is for the CITY ELECTION only. If you would like to request a Federal/State or County Ballot you must contact the Elections Office in the county in which you live.

Absentee Ballot Application

Advance Voting in Georgia

Any voter, registered in Georgia may vote absentee in person. This allows you to vote on a day and time that is convenient for you. Beginning on the 4th Monday prior to Election Day, simply visit City Hall, fill out the application, and present one of the permitted forms of photo ID. Advance voting will continue through the Friday prior to the election.

At the advance voting office, you must fill out an application and provide one of the permitted forms of identification. You will then be issued a ballot that must be filled out and cast while you are in the office.

Please note that you cannot vote on the day immediately preceding the Tuesday election. Traditional polling places will be open on Election Day. However, if you choose to advance vote you cannot cast another ballot at your precinct on Election Day.