

Voting and Preparing Your Ballot(s)

1. If you have questions about your ballot(s) or ballot materials, immediately contact your County Election Board.
2. Ballot(s) must be marked with blue or black ink.
3. If you cannot mark your ballot(s) yourself, you may choose an assistant to mark them for you. (See #7 below.)
4. Marked ballot(s) must be sealed inside the **Ballots Envelope**.
5. The **Affidavit Envelope** must be:
 - a. Filled out completely; and
 - b. Signed by two witnesses. (See #8 below.)
6. If you cannot fill out your own **Affidavit Envelope**, at your direction, an assistant may complete the **Affidavit Envelope** and **sign your name**.
7. An assistant must:
 - a. Read the Assistant's Oath;
 - b. Print and sign their name in the space provided; and
 - c. Print their address in the space provided.
8. Each witness must:
 - a. Sign and print their name and address;
 - b. Not be a candidate for an office on the ballot;
 - c. Not be related to a candidate;
 - d. Not act as an assistant; and
 - e. Not witness the signatures of more than five absentee voters.

Returning Your Ballot(s)

By mail: 

1. **Follow instructions entitled Voting and Preparing Your Ballot(s) on Page 1.**
2. You must affix First-class postage to your Return Envelope.
3. Ballot(s) must be transmitted by USPS mail or by a private mail service that provides delivery documentation. **You must mail your own ballot(s).**
4. To help ensure delivery of your ballot(s) by the deadline, the USPS recommends that you mail your ballot(s) at least **7 days** prior to the date of the election.
5. **Ballot(s) must be received by your County Election Board no later than 7:00 p.m. on election day.** A postmark prior to 7:00 p.m. on election day **will not suffice.**

By hand: 

1. **Follow instructions entitled Voting and Preparing Your Ballot(s) on Page 1.**
2. You may hand deliver your ballot(s) to your County Election Board (CEB) any day, during their regular business hours, until the close of business **on the Monday preceding Election Day.**
3. You must hand deliver your own ballot(s) with your witnessed affidavit and sealed Return Envelope. **An assistant or agent may not hand deliver your absentee ballot(s).**
4. You must show proof of identity to CEB personnel when hand delivering your ballot(s).