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Offices on the Ballot

FEDERAL

- U.S. Senator
- U.S. House of Representatives (7 seats)

STATE

- Governor
- Lt. Governor
- Secretary of State
- State Treasurer
- State Auditor
- Commissioner of Agriculture & Industries
- State Senator
- State Representative

STATE

- State Board of Education (Districts 2, 4, 6, and 8)
- Court of Criminal Appeals Judges (Place 4 and 5)
- Court of Civil Appeals Judges (Place 4 and 5)
- Circuit Court Judges (various seats)
- District Court Judges (various seats)
- Public Service Commission (Place 1 and 2)

COUNTY

- Various County Offices

Important Dates for the 2026 Election

PRIMARY ELECTION — May 19, 2026

May 4	Voter registration deadline
May 12	Last day to apply for an absentee ballot to mail
May 14	Last day to apply for an absentee ballot in person
May 18	Last day to hand-deliver absentee ballot
May 19	Absentee ballots returned by mail must be received by noon*

PRIMARY RUNOFF ELECTION (IF NECESSARY) — June 16, 2026

May 29	Last day to hand-deliver voter registration
June 1	Last day to postmark voter registration forms & register electronically
June 9	Last day to apply for an absentee ballot to mail
June 11	Last day to apply for an absentee ballot in person
June 15	Last day to hand-deliver absentee ballot
June 16	Absentee ballots returned by mail must be received by noon*

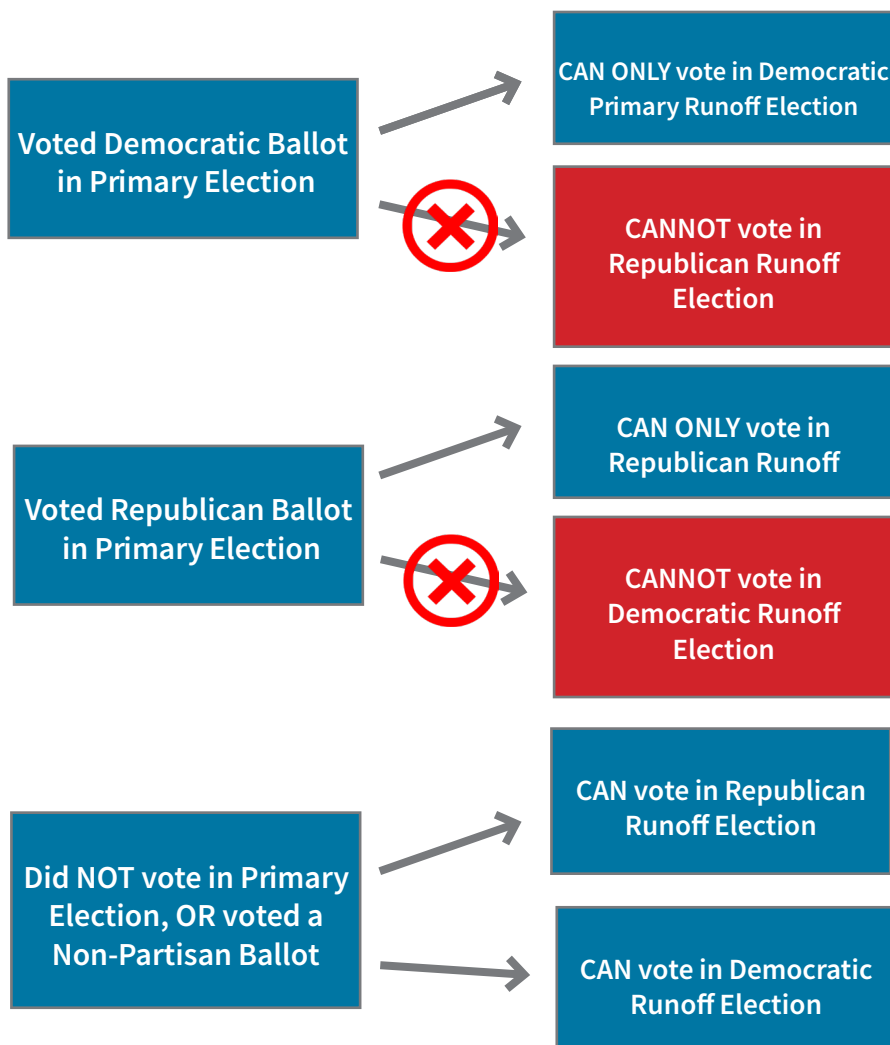
GENERAL ELECTION — NOVEMBER 3, 2026

October 19	Voter registration deadline
October 27	Last day to apply for an absentee ballot by mail
October 29	Last day to apply for an absentee ballot in person
November 2	Last day to hand-deliver an absentee ballot
November 3	Absentee ballots returned by mail must be received by noon*

**Except for persons casting absentee ballots pursuant to the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA voters). See pages 11 and 12.*

CROSSOVER VOTING RULES

According to Alabama Act 2017-340, Section 2(a), beginning August 1st, 2017, if an elector votes in a primary election, he or she may vote in a subsequent primary runoff election only if he or she voted in the primary election of the same political party for which the runoff election is being held. Persons who did not vote in a primary election may choose either party's ballot in the subsequent primary runoff election.



The crossover voting rule starts over with each election cycle and only applies to Primary Elections and Primary Runoff Elections. The crossover voting rule does not apply to a General Election.

VOTER REGISTRATION

Registration Requirements

Any person may register to vote, provided that they:

- are a citizen of the United States;
- live in Alabama;
- are at least 18 years old on or before election day;
- are not barred from voting due to a disqualifying felony conviction; and
- have not been declared mentally incompetent by a court.

Applicants may register the same day that they move into the state. Victims of domestic violence, guardians of victims of domestic violence, federal and state prosecutors, federal, state, probate and municipal judges, law enforcement officers, legislators, and spouses of any of the aforementioned are entitled to special legal protections related to personal identifying information. For further information, contact the Secretary of State or your county Board of Registrars.

When to Register

Voter registration is open all year, except during the 14 days prior to an election and on Election Day. Voter registration is closed to provide enough time for election officials to compile an accurate voter list for the election. If registering to vote using a mail-in form, the registration form must be postmarked no later than the registration deadline for an election. If registering to vote in person, registration must be received before the close of business of the registration deadline for an election. If registering to vote electronically, registration must be submitted before 11:59 PM on the registration deadline for an election.

Keeping Your Registration Updated

Any voter whose name or address is not correct on the voter list must provide current information before being allowed to vote. To update voter registration due to a change of name or address, voters will need to submit a new voter registration form (see page 4) prior to the voter registration deadline. Please note that the address on your Alabama Driver's License does not need to match your voter registration.

Restoration of Voting Rights

An individual who is barred from registering and voting by reason of a disqualifying felony conviction may request to have their voting rights restored by applying for a Certificate of Eligibility to Register to Vote (CERV). An individual may qualify for a Certificate of Eligibility to Register to Vote if they have fulfilled all terms of the sentence for the disqualifying felony conviction. For further information, please contact the Alabama Bureau of Pardons and Paroles at 334-353-7771 or visit pardons.state.al.us.

Where and How to Register

A citizen may register to vote, OR update voter registration:

- ♦ online at alabamavotes.gov if they have a valid Alabama Driver's License or Non-Driver ID card
- ♦ when applying for or renewing a State of Alabama Driver's License or Non-Driver ID card
- ♦ at state and local government offices when applying or recertifying SNAP, TANF, Food Stamps, WIC, Medicaid, Aid to Dependent Children, or Rehabilitation Services
- ♦ at armed forces recruiting stations
- ♦ at the Board of Registrars office located within the county seat of the voter's county of residence (see pages 18-21)
- ♦ by mail-in form available at Probate Judge and License Commissioner offices, colleges, universities, public schools, or libraries
- ♦ by contacting the Elections Division at 1-800-274-VOTE (8363), requesting a mail-in voter registration form be mailed to you, and mailing the completed form to your local Board of Registrars office
- ♦ by downloading a voter registration from the Secretary of State's website at alabamavotes.gov and mailing it to your local Board of Registrars office

Political Party Registration

Alabama does not have a party registration law; therefore, a citizen does not declare a political party preference when registering to vote. When participating in a primary election, a voter will be asked which party's ballot they would like to vote on upon checking in with a poll worker at the polls, or by indicating party preference on an absentee ballot application.

2026 Voter Registration Deadlines

MAY 4

PRIMARY

MAY 29*
JUNE 1**

RUNOFF

OCT. 19

GENERAL

*Last day to hand-deliver voter registration forms

**Last day to postmark voter registration forms being returned by mail and to register to vote electronically

AT THE POLLING PLACE

My Polling Place

Upon registering to vote or updating registration information, the county Board of Registrars office sends a Voter ID card to each voter. The Voter ID card is a postcard which includes the voter's precinct information and polling location. If you have not received a Voter ID card, contact your county Board of Registrars office (see pages 18-19). Additionally, voters can verify their polling place on the Secretary of State's website by selecting [My Voting Information](#). For municipal election polling place information, contact the city clerk's office.

Polling Place Hours

Alabama polling places are open from 7 A.M. to 7 P.M. on Election Day. Please note that polling places located in the Eastern Time Zone may be open from 7 A.M. to 7 P.M. Eastern Time. Anyone who attempts to join the voting line after 7:00 P.M. shall not be permitted to vote.

Voting Procedure

1. The voter arrives at the polling place and provides their name to a poll worker. The voter must also present an acceptable form of photo identification (see page 6).
2. A poll worker checks the list of registered voters for the voter's name. If the voter is listed as inactive, they will be asked to update their voter registration information by completing a Voter Update Form, available at the polling place, prior to being allowed to vote.
3. The voter signs the poll list. If participating in a Primary Election, the voter must declare which party's primary they wish to vote in and then must sign that party's poll list. If the election is a Primary Runoff, the voter must vote in the runoff of the same political party they chose for the Primary Election (see page 2 for crossover voting rules).
4. The poll worker will hand the voter a blank ballot. Then, the voter will be directed to a location designated by the polling place to fill out their ballot.
5. Upon filling out the ballot with the voter's preferences, the voter will be directed to a secure ballot tabulator. The voter will insert their marked ballot into the secure ballot tabulator. If needed, the voter may request a poll worker for assistance with the secure ballot tabulator.
6. The secure ballot tabulator will display a message onscreen verifying the ballot has been counted.

VOTING PROCEDURES VARY according to the type of equipment used and may vary by county. For more specific information, look for instructions printed in large print that should be visible at each polling place. Poll workers will provide information on voting procedures at the voter's request. Poll workers are forbidden to tell a citizen for whom to vote for or attempt to influence a voter's choices in any way.

REPLACEMENT BALLOTS are available if the voter makes a mistake in marking their ballot or if the ballot gets torn or otherwise damaged. The voter should take the original ballot to a poll worker and request a replacement ballot. The poll worker will issue a new ballot and place the original ballot in an envelope marked “spoiled ballots” for security purposes.

PROHIBITIONS: **Act 2021-535** prohibits any voting machine from being installed or operated outside of the interior of the enclosed building designated as a voting place. Additionally, no ballots shall be taken into or out of any voting place, except when performing the authorized pre-election and post-election duties of transporting ballots. **Act 2021-488** prohibits any voter in this state from voting more than once, or attempting to vote more than once, in any election held in this state, or from voting in both this state and another state or territory in the same or equivalent election. The act also prohibits any voter from attempting to vote when they have knowledge that they are not entitled to vote, or the commission of any kind of unlawful or fraudulent voting.

If a Voter’s Name is Not on the Voter List

If a person’s name does not appear on the list of registered voters for the polling place, the poll worker will contact the county Board of Registrars to determine if the person is eligible to vote at that polling place. If the Board of Registrars are unable to verify the person’s voter registration, the voter may vote a provisional ballot.

Photo Voter Identification

A voter must present one of the following forms of identification before they will be permitted to vote. A voter who does not have one of these forms of photo identification is eligible for a free Alabama Photo Voter ID card.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ Valid Alabama Driver’s License, including ALEA Digital Driver’s License (not expired or expired less than 60 days)◆ Valid Alabama Non-Driver ID, including ALEA Digital Non-Driver ID (not expired or expired less than 60 days)◆ Alabama free Photo Voter ID card◆ Valid U.S. Passport◆ Valid Military ID◆ Valid Tribal ID◆ Valid Employee ID from Federal Government, State of Alabama, County, Municipality, Board, or other entity of this state | <ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ Valid student or employee ID from a public or private college or university in the State of Alabama (including postgraduate technical or professional schools)◆ Valid student or employee ID issued by a state institution of higher learning in any other state◆ Valid Federal-issued ID◆ Valid State-issued ID (Alabama or any other state) <p><u>Examples:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Valid Pistol Permit (Photo Required)• Valid AL Movement/Booking Sheet from Prison/Jail System (Photo Required)• Valid AL Department of Corrections Release Temporary ID (Photo Required) |
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For additional information on photo voter identification, visit: www.alabamavotes.gov

If a Voter does not have a Valid Photo ID

Prior to the date of the election, any registered voter who does not possess a form of valid photo identification may receive a free Alabama Photo Voter ID from their county Board of Registrars office or by requesting a homevisit by calling 1 (800) 274-VOTE (8683).

A voter who does not have a valid form of photo ID on Election Day can vote a regular ballot only if their name appears on the official voters list *and* they are positively identified by at least two election officials. If the voter does not have a valid form of photo ID and cannot be positively identified by at least two election officials, they are permitted to vote a provisional ballot (see below for additional information on voting a provisional ballot).

Exemptions from Photo Voter ID Law

A VOTER WHO IS A MEMBER OF THE MILITARY OR RESIDING OVERSEAS —

Voters who vote by absentee ballot pursuant to the **Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA)** are not required to provide ID. The term “UOCAVA voter” includes anyone who is a member of the Uniformed Services (including their spouse and dependents), Merchant Marines, commissioned corps of the Public Health Service, Commissioned Corps of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and any U.S. citizen residing overseas whose last place of residency prior to moving overseas was within Alabama.

ELDERLY VOTERS AND VOTERS WITH A DISABILITY — Pursuant to the **Voting Accessibility for the Elderly and Handicapped Act**, elderly voters at least 65 years of age and voters with disabilities are not required to provide ID when voting by absentee ballot. Voters who fall under this category may select the option on their absentee ballot application stating that they are physically incapacitated and will not be able to vote in person on election day [ID Not Required].

Voting a Provisional Ballot

A voter using a provisional ballot to vote will follow the same procedures as casting a regular ballot. Prior to receiving a provisional ballot, a voter will first need to sign an affidavit attesting to their eligibility to vote and complete a voter update form. Provisional ballots are placed in a separate secure ballot box from regular ballots.

Reasons for Voting a Provisional Ballot:

Voter Name Not on Poll List - The provisional ballot will be counted if the county Board of Registrars are able to confirm that the person casting the ballot is a duly qualified elector of the polling place where the ballot was cast.

Absentee Ballot Never Received - A voter may cast a provisional ballot if they did not receive the requested absentee ballot, OR if the voter did not return the absentee ballot.

Reasons for Voting a Provisional Ballot (cont.):

No Photo ID at Polling Place and Unable to be Positively Identified by Two Election Officials - The voter has until 5 P.M. on the Friday following the election to submit a valid form of photo ID to the Board of Registrars. If proper ID is submitted by this deadline, the ballot will be counted as long as all other requirements were met.

No Photo ID Included with Absentee Ballot Application (Non-exempt Voter) - The voter has until 5 P.M. on the Friday following the election to submit a valid form of photo ID to the Board of Registrars. If proper ID is submitted by this deadline, the ballot will be counted as long as all other requirements were met.

Voter Objects to Political Party Indicated on Voter List (Applies only to Primary Runoff Elections) - The provisional ballot will be counted only if the Board of Registrars can confirm that the provisional ballot from the Primary Runoff Election is of the same political party as the voter's Primary Election ballot.

Sample Ballots

Voters may take marked sample ballots into the polling place, provided these items are for personal use only and are not disruptive to others in the polling place. The voter should not leave these items in the polling place.

Campaigning on Election Day

Any Election Day campaigning, including the placing of signage, must maintain a minimum distance of 30 feet from any polling place. If the polling location is within a building, campaigning must not be closer than 30 feet from the entrance of the building.

VOTER ASSISTANCE

Any voter who requests voting assistance may receive help from any person the voter chooses except the voter's employer, an agent of the employer, or an officer or agent of the voter's union. If the voter does not request a specific individual, a poll worker may assist the voter at the request of the voter. Voters do not need to state a reason for requesting assistance.

Polling Place Accessibility

Polling places should be accessible to people with disabilities. At every polling place, there will be voting equipment to accommodate voters with disabilities so that they can vote without assistance. If your specific disability is not accommodated, please contact your county's Probate Judge or the Secretary of State.

Provision for Elderly/Disabled Voters

Upon request from the voter, a polling official may allow a voter who is physically disabled or over the age of 70 to move to the front of the line at a polling place.

Time in the Voting Booth

Poll workers should make every effort to give each voter adequate time to vote. Any voter remaining in a voting station for four (4) minutes or longer may be asked by a poll worker if he or she requires assistance.

IF THE VOTER DOES NOT WANT ASSISTANCE, they are permitted to remain for one (1) additional minute. At the end of that minute, if individuals are waiting to vote, the voter may be informed that time is up and may be asked to leave. If there is no line, the voter may have as much time as necessary to finish voting.

IF THE VOTER WANTS ASSISTANCE, they may have at least five (5) additional minutes to vote. At the end of the time, if others are waiting to vote, the assisted voter may be told that time is up and may be asked to leave the polling place. However, if there are no voters waiting, the assisted voter shall have as much time as necessary to finish voting.

ELECTION PROCESS

The laws governing each type of election vary depending on the election. Elections can generally be classified as either a Primary Election, a Primary Runoff Election, a General Election, or a Special Election.

Types of Elections

PRIMARY ELECTION — Held by political parties to select each party's nominee for the General Election. In Primary Elections, each party has a different ballot style. Voters must choose to participate in either the Democratic Party Primary or the Republican Party Primary (see crossover voting on page 2).

PRIMARY RUNOFF ELECTION - Occurs only if no one candidate receives a majority of the votes cast in an election with at least three (3) candidates. The Primary Runoff Election is held between the two candidates who receive the highest number of votes in the first Primary. The winner of this Runoff Election will be declared the party's nominee for the General Election.

GENERAL ELECTION — Held to determine which candidate, regardless of political party or write-in status, will be elected to a particular office up for election. When voting in a General Election, voters have the option to either vote a straight-party ticket or individually mark their candidates of preference.

SPECIAL ELECTION — Held to fill a vacancy in certain offices, such as U.S. Representative, State Senator, or State Representative. Special Elections may also be held to place specific issues before the voters, such as whether or not a county or city will raise certain taxes or a Constitutional Amendment Election.



Eligibility

ABSENTEE VOTING

A voter may cast an absentee ballot if they:

- ◆ **EXPECT TO BE ABSENT FROM THE COUNTY** on Election Day;
- ◆ **ARE ILL OR HAVE A PHYSICAL INFIRMITY** that prevents the voter from being able to access their assigned polling place
- ◆ **ARE A REGISTERED ALABAMA VOTER LIVING OUTSIDE THE COUNTY** including but not limited to, members of the armed forces or a spouse or dependent of such a person, or a U.S. citizen residing overseas or students at an educational institution located outside their county of residence
- ◆ **ARE AN APPOINTED ELECTION OFFICER OR POLL WATCHER** at a polling place other than their regular polling place
- ◆ **EXPECT TO WORK A REQUIRED WORKPLACE SHIFT** which has as at least 10 hours which coincide with regular polling hours
- ◆ **ARE A CAREGIVER** for a family member to the second degree of kinship by affinity or consanguinity and the family member is confined to their own home
- ◆ **ARE INCARCERATED IN PRISON/JAIL** and have not been convicted of a felony involving moral turpitude



Business/Medical Emergency Voting

Applications for business and medical emergency voting can be made after the absentee deadline. However, the emergency absentee ballot application and the voted absentee ballot **must** be returned no later than noon on the day the election is held.

On the emergency absentee ballot application, the voter may designate someone to turn in the application, receive the absentee ballot, and return the voted absentee ballot to the Absentee Election Manager on behalf of the voter.

A voter may cast an emergency absentee ballot if they:

- have a medical emergency requiring treatment from a licensed physician within five (5) days of an election
- are required by an employer due to unforeseen circumstances within five (5) days before an election to be unavailable at the polls on Election Day
- are a caregiver of a person who requires emergency treatment by a licensed physician within five (5) days before an election
- have a family member to the second degree of kinship by affinity or consanguinity (voter or voter's spouse's parents, grandparents, siblings, children or grandchildren) pass away within five (5) days before an election

In addition to application information outlined on page 12, the **emergency application** contains an affidavit acknowledging that the voter was not aware of the circumstances prior to the normal absentee ballot deadline. The **application for medical emergency** requires that the attending physician describe and certify the circumstances as constituting an emergency.

Military and Citizens Residing Overseas

Alabama citizens who are members of the Uniformed Services, spouses and dependents of members of the Uniformed Services, Merchant Marines, Commissioned Corps of the Public Health Service, Commissioned Corps of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and Alabama overseas citizens (also known as UOCAVA voters) have two methods for receiving their absentee ballots: by electronic transmission or by U.S. Mail.

To request electronic transmission of the blank ballot, UOCAVA voters must mark the appropriate box and provide an email address on the **State of Alabama “UOCAVA Application for Absentee Ballot”** available from the Secretary of State’s website, www.alabamavotes.gov. Additionally, UOCAVA voters may provide an email address on the **Federal Post Card Application** available from their Voting Assistance Officer or from the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) website, www.fvap.gov, and selecting the “email/online” option for ballot transmittal.

UOCAVA voters may also return their absentee ballot by U.S. Mail or by a commercial carrier. Please note that if returning the ballot by commercial air or ground carrier, the date the ballot is tendered to the carrier is considered the postmark date. UOCAVA voters should ensure that their ballot is postmarked or tendered to the commercial carrier no later than the day of the election in which they are casting a ballot.

UOCAVA voters are no longer required to have their ballot’s affidavit envelope notarized. However, the affidavit on the envelope must be witnessed by two persons 18 years of age or older.

UOCAVA voters may find additional information on absentee voting on the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) website at fvap.gov. Please note that the FVAP website provides information for UOCAVA voters only.

Citizens with Permanent Disabilities

Citizens who have a permanent disability which prevents them from attending the polls may apply for an absentee ballot on an annual basis. The application is valid for all federal, state, county, and municipal elections in the calendar year and must be renewed annually. A voter who is permanently disabled must provide verification from their primary physician. The application must be signed and notarized by the voter’s primary physician.

Voters submitting an absentee application on the basis of being permanently disabled must submit their application to their county Absentee Election Manager. For absentee application deadlines for the 2026 Election, see page 13.

Absentee Ballot Application

To apply for an absentee ballot, submit an Absentee Ballot Application (available for download at www.alabamavotes.gov) to your county Absentee Election Manager. Applications may also be requested online or by calling the Elections Division at (334) 242-7210.

Alternatively, voters may request an absentee ballot by writing or visiting their county Absentee Election Manager and providing the following information:

- name and residential address
- a copy of valid photo identification (see page 6)
- election for which the ballot is requested
- reason for absence from the polls on Election Day
- party choice, if the election is a Primary or Primary Runoff**
- address to which the ballot should be mailed
- voter's signature (if signed with a mark, it must be witnessed)

***It is not necessary to give party choice when applying for an absentee ballot for a General Election. However, in a Primary Election, a voter may participate in only one political party's primary; therefore, a choice must be designated on the application so the appropriate ballot can be provided. If the voter declines to designate a party choice for a Primary or Primary Runoff Election, the Absentee Election Manager may send only the ballot for constitutional amendments.*

The absentee ballot application must be returned to the Absentee Election Manager **by U.S. Mail or by commercial carrier** no later than the seventh day prior to the election; or returned in person by the voter no later than the fifth day prior to the election.

Upon receiving the absentee ballot application, the Absentee Election Manager may request additional evidence on the reason for voting absentee if the voter has a history of continuous absentee voting.

APPLICATIONS FOR MILITARY PERSONNEL AND OVERSEAS CITIZENS —

Applications submitted by military personnel, their spouses or dependents, and U.S. citizens residing overseas are valid for all federal, state, and county elections in the current calendar year. However, these voters should ensure that they keep their mailing and email addresses updated with their county Board of Registrars and with their Absentee Election Manager.

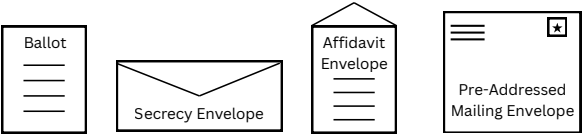
APPLICATIONS FOR CITIZENS WITH PERMANENT DISABILITIES — Applications submitted by citizens who are permanently disabled and cannot attend the polls are valid for all federal, state, county, and municipal elections in the current calendar year. However, these voters should ensure that they keep their mailing addresses updated with their county Board of Registrars and with their Absentee Election Manager.

2026 Absentee Voting Deadlines

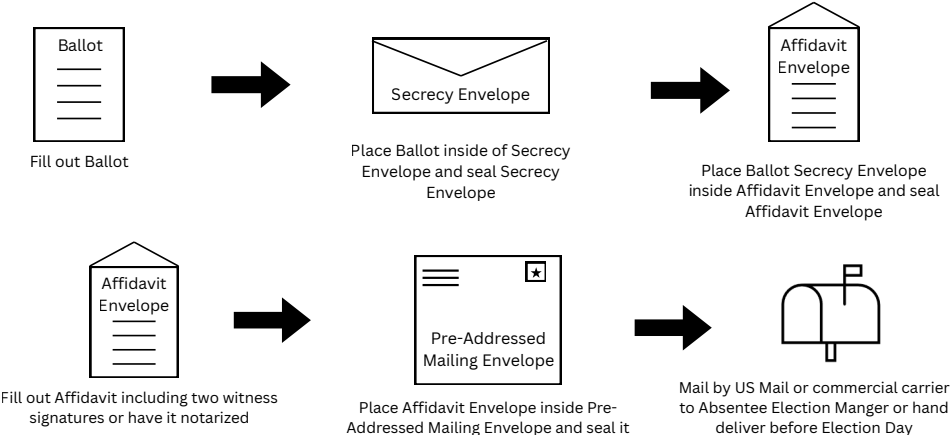
	PRIMARY	RUNOFF	GENERAL
Absentee Voting Begins no later than date shown	MAR 25	JUN 2	SEP 9
Absentee Application Mail Delivery Deadline	MAY 12	JUN 9	OCT 27
Absentee Application Hand Delivery Deadline	MAY 14	JUN 11	OCT 29
Absentee Ballot Hand-Delivery Deadline	MAY 18	JUN 15	NOV 2
Absentee Ballot Mail Delivery Deadline <i>must be postmarked no later than noon</i>	MAY 19	JUN 16	NOV 3
Absentee UOCAVA Ballot Receipt Deadline <i>must be postmarked no later than Election Day</i>	MAY 26	JUN 23	NOV 10

Absentee Ballot Receipt/Return

Absentee Ballot Materials



Absentee Ballot Process



Please note that electronic or remote notarization is not allowed for absentee voting.

If the absentee ballot application is approved, the Absentee Election Manager:

- forwards the absentee ballot by U.S. Mail; or
- personally hands the absentee ballot to the voter (or to a designee in the case of medical emergency voting).

BALLOT PROCEDURE — The absentee ballot package will contain three envelopes —the secrecy envelope, the affidavit envelope, and one plain, pre-addressed envelope (the outer envelope). Once the voter completely fills out their ballot, they'll follow the below procedure for preparing the ballot for return:

- ◆ Seal the ballot in the **plain envelope** (the secrecy envelope)
- ◆ Place the **plain envelope** inside the **affidavit envelope**
- ◆ Seal the **affidavit envelope** and completely fill out the affidavit outside of the envelope
- ◆ Sign the affidavit and have the signature witnessed by either a notary public or two witnesses 18 years of age or older
- ◆ Place the **affidavit envelope** inside the **outer envelope**
- ◆ **NOTE:** If you are voting a provisional absentee ballot due to lack of identification, place a copy of your ID (**not** the original) inside the outer envelope.

WITNESSES OR NOTARIZATION — An absentee ballot cannot be counted unless the affidavit is notarized or has the signatures of two witnesses who are 18 years old or older. Electronic or remote notarization of absentee ballot affidavits is not allowed.

SUBMITTING THE VOTED BALLOT — The voter is required to use one of the following methods for returning their absentee ballot:

- ◆ send the ballot to the Absentee Election Manager by U.S. Mail, by commercial carrier; or
- ◆ personally hand-deliver the ballot to the Absentee Election Manager (or by a designee in the case of medical emergency voting).

VOTING DEADLINE — An absentee ballot returned by hand must be delivered by the voter and must be in the Absentee Election Manager's office by the close of business (but no later than 5 P.M.) on the day prior to the election. An absentee ballot returned by mail must be received by the Absentee Election Manager no later than noon on Election Day.

FAQs

- **I TURNED IN A VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATION. AM I REGISTERED TO VOTE?** No. Your voter registration application must first be approved by the county Board of Registrars. Once your application has been approved, you should receive a notification from the Registrars indicating the status of your application. This notification will typically be a voter identification postcard confirming that you are registered to vote. However, if your application was incomplete, you may receive a letter requesting additional information to complete your application. If you are unsure about the status of your application, you should call your local Board of Registrars or visit www.alabamavotes.gov.
- **I TURN 18 AFTER THE VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE BUT BEFORE THE ELECTION. CAN I VOTE IN THAT ELECTION?** Yes. Voters who will be 18 years of age on or before Election Day may submit a voter registration form prior to turning 18. Please note that the voter registration application must be received prior to the voter registration blackout, which is within 14 days of any election.
- **I HAVE MOVED FROM ONE PART OF THE COUNTY TO ANOTHER. CAN I STILL VOTE AT MY OLD POLLING PLACE?** No. You must update your voter registration by either reregistering to vote online or by mailing in a new voter registration form to the Board of Registrars in your county. If you have moved within the county and have not updated your voter registration within 14 days of an election, contact your county Board of Registrars office for your new polling place. You will be permitted to go to your new polling place, update your voter registration, and cast a provisional ballot.
- **I HAVE MOVED FROM MY COUNTY OF RESIDENCE. CAN I STILL VOTE AT MY OLD POLLING PLACE?** No. By signing in at your old polling place, you are falsely attesting that you still live at your old address. Any changes to a voter's registration information must be made within 14 days of any election.
- **WHAT IF I MAKE A MISTAKE ON MY BALLOT?** If you have not already placed your ballot in the secure ballot tabulator, you may ask a poll worker for another ballot. The poll worker will place your spoiled ballot in a designated secure area so that it cannot be counted or reused.
- **IS THERE A PROCEDURE FOR WHEN VOTING EQUIPMENT FAILS?** Yes. There are procedures poll workers will follow in the event the voting equipment is experiencing technical difficulties. If the ballot tabulator is down, it is standard to have voters place their ballots in a secure bin below the tabulator. The ballots will be inserted into the tabulator by a poll worker at the close of polls.

- **ARE CANDIDATES ALLOWED TO CAMPAIGN OUTSIDE MY POLLING PLACE?** Campaigning outside the polling place is permitted; however, this activity must not be closer than 30 feet from the entrance of the polling place. If the polling place is located in a room within a building, the campaigning must not be closer than 30 feet from the entrance of the building. If a candidate or their supporters are campaigning within 30 feet of the entrance of the polling place, notify the chief inspector of the polling place.
- **CAN A CANDIDATE ASSIST ME IN MARKING MY BALLOT?** Yes, if you specifically ask the candidate to help you. The only people who cannot assist a voter are the voter's employer, an agent of the voter's employer, or an officer or agent of the voter's union.
- **CAN I WEAR CAMPAIGN BUTTONS OR T-SHIRTS WITH POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENTS INTO THE POLLING PLACE?** Yes. However, you should not loiter or leave any campaign materials in the polling place.
- **IF CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS ARE INCLUDED ON THE BALLOT, MUST I VOTE ON THEM?** No. You are not required to vote on constitutional amendments. Similarly, you are not required to vote in all races on the ballot. Participation is your choice.
- **WHAT HAPPENS IF I DO NOT WANT TO DECLARE A POLITICAL PARTY PREFERENCE AT THE PRIMARY ELECTION?** If you choose not to declare a political preference at the Primary Election, you will not be eligible to vote in any political party's Primary Election. However, you are still eligible to vote on any proposed constitutional amendments that are up for a vote.
- **I VOTED IN MY POLITICAL PARTY'S PRIMARY ELECTION. MY PARTY IS NOT HAVING A RUNOFF. CAN I VOTE IN THE OTHER PARTY'S RUNOFF ELECTION?** No. Alabama has a cross over voting law that prohibits anyone who voted in one party's Primary from voting in another party's Primary Runoff. If you do not vote in the Primary Election, you may vote in any party's Primary Runoff Election. See Page 2 for cross over voting rules.
- **CAN I TAKE A CELL PHONE INTO MY POLLING PLACE?** Yes. However, use of the phone in the polling place should not disturb other voters or disrupt the polling place.
- **CAN I TAKE PHOTOGRAPHS INSIDE MY POLLING PLACE?** Yes. However, an individual may only take a photograph of their own ballot. Taking other photographs within the polling place may intimidate other voters and is not allowed.

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