

## How to submit your application:

Once your application is completed, you may **return it to your local county board of elections**. If you're unsure of where to mail your application, please visit [www.votesPA.com/County](http://www.votesPA.com/County) for more information.

## Deadline alert:

The **deadline to apply** for a civilian absentee ballot is 5:00PM on the Tuesday before the election. Please note your application must be **received** in the county board of election's office by that time. **Postmarks do not count.**

The **deadline to return your completed ballot** is 8:00PM on election day. Please note your completed ballot must be **received** by the county board of election's by that time. **Postmarks do not count.**

## Necessary identification:

In order to apply for an absentee ballot, you must supply your PA Driver's License or PennDOT issued photo ID card number in the Identification section. If you do not have a PA Driver's License or PennDOT issued photo ID card, you must supply the last four (4) digits of your Social Security number.

If you do not have a valid form of either of these types of identification, please check the box titled "I do not have a PA driver's license or a PennDOT ID card or a Social Security number" in the Identification section. If you choose this option, you must enclose a photocopy of an acceptable ID.

Please visit [www.votesPA.com/MailBallot](http://www.votesPA.com/MailBallot) for more information, call **1-877-VotesPA** (1-877-868-3772), or contact your county board of elections.

## What is an annual absentee ballot request?

If you have a permanent illness or a permanent disability you may be added to the annual absentee request list. Once your physician signs the certification of permanent disability and your request is approved, you will automatically receive ballots for the remainder of the year, and you will receive an application to renew your request for absentee ballots each year.

If you update your voter registration due to relocation out of county after you submit an annual absentee ballot request, please ensure your annual status is transferred when updating your address.

## Assistance in voting:

If you require assistance with completing your ballot due to a disability, you must also complete a Statement of Absentee Elector Requiring Assistance form. Please visit [www.votesPA.com](http://www.votesPA.com) for more information.

**WARNING:** If you receive an absentee ballot and return your voted ballot by the deadline, you may not vote at your polling place on election day. If you are unable to return your voted absentee ballot by the deadline, you may only vote a provisional ballot at your polling place on election day, unless you surrender your absentee ballot and the return envelope containing the Voter's Declaration to the judge of elections to be voided to vote by regular ballot.

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## Questions?

Call your County  
Election Office  
or call **1-877-VOTESPA**  
(1-877-868-3772).

For more information about  
voting, visit our website:  
[www.votesPA.com](http://www.votesPA.com)

**Información en español:**  
Si le interesa obtener este  
formulario en español, llame al  
**1-877-868-3772.**

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# Pennsylvania Application for Absentee Ballot

## Print name

Please print your name exactly as registered.

**1**

First name \_\_\_\_\_ Middle name or initial \_\_\_\_\_  
Last name \_\_\_\_\_ Jr Sr II III IV

## About you

Phone & email are optional & used if information is missing on this form.

**2**

Birth date (required) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone number \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_

## Your address

Please print your address exactly as registered. If your address has changed, you should first update your voter registration. The deadline to update your address is 15 days before the date of the next election.

**3**

Address (not P.O. Box) \_\_\_\_\_ Apt. number \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State **PA** Zip \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_  
Voting district or precinct (if known) \_\_\_\_\_ Municipality \_\_\_\_\_ Ward (if known) \_\_\_\_\_  
I have lived at this address since \_\_\_\_\_ Are you a State or Federal Government employee? Yes No

## Where to mail ballot?

**4**

Same as above Address or PO Box \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
This address is my (e.g. vacation home, temporary residence, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

## Identification

If you have a PennDOT number, you must use it. If not, please provide the last four digits of your Social Security number. See "Necessary Identification" instructions page.

**5**

PA driver's license or PennDOT ID card number \_\_\_\_\_  
Last four digits of your Social Security number X X X - X X - \_\_\_\_\_  
 I do not have a PA driver's license or a PennDOT ID card or a Social Security number.

## Reason

Select a reason for applying for an absentee ballot.

**6**

I hereby apply for an absentee ballot for the following reason:  
 I will be absent from my municipality (Complete section A)  I have an illness or physical disability (Complete section B)

## Section A – Absence from municipality

**A**

I declare that I am eligible to vote absentee at the forthcoming primary or election since I expect that my duties, occupation or business will require me to be absent from the municipality of my residence on the day of the primary or election for the reason stated below; and that all of the information which I have listed on this absentee ballot application is true and correct.  
Reason for absence \_\_\_\_\_  
Voter signature here X \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## Section B – Illness/ Physical disability

**B1**

I declare that I am eligible to vote absentee at the forthcoming primary or election due to the illness or physical disability stated below; that the information required to be listed pertaining to my attending physician is correctly stated herein; and that all other information which I have listed on this absentee ballot application is true and correct.  
Nature of illness or physical disability \_\_\_\_\_  
Physician name \_\_\_\_\_ Physician phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Physician office address \_\_\_\_\_  
Voter signature here X \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## Help with this form

Complete this section if you are unable to sign in Section B1 because of illness or physical disability. See "Assistance in voting".

**B2**

I hereby state that I am unable to sign my application for an absentee ballot without assistance because I am unable to write by reason of my illness or physical disability. I have made, or have received assistance in making my mark in lieu of my signature.  
Mark of voter X \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Address of witness \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of witness X \_\_\_\_\_

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## Section C (Optional): Annual Absentee Ballot Request Because of Permanent Illness or Permanent Disability and Physician’s Certification

(to be completed with your Physician below)

- If you are a voter with a permanent illness or a permanent disability, you may request to be placed on an annual absentee ballot list. See “What is an annual absentee ballot request?” on Page 3.
- You need only file a physician’s certificate of permanent illness or permanent disability once. Once your disability status has been certified by your physician, your physician will not need to recertify your disability status, and you will be placed on the annual absentee voter list.
- If you are approved as an annual absentee voter, you will receive an application to renew your request for absentee ballots each year.
- If you lose your disability status, you must inform your county board of elections.
- If you update your voter registration due to relocation out of county after you submit an annual absentee ballot request, please ensure your annual status is transferred when updating your address.

### Annual absentee request

See “What is an annual absentee ballot request?” for more information.

**C1**

If you would like to receive absentee ballots for the remainder of this year and if you would like to automatically receive an annual application to automatically receive absentee ballots each year, please indicate below. If you update your voter registration due to relocation out of county after you submit an annual absentee ballot request, please ensure your annual status is transferred when updating your address.

- I would like to receive absentee ballots this year and receive annual applications for absentee ballots each year. (Please have your physician sign the certification in Section C2.)

### Certificate of permanent illness or permanent physical disability

Have your physician sign this certification if you indicated you would like to be an annual absentee voter in section C1.

**C2**

I hereby certify that the above named voter is permanently disabled, and either physically unable to attend the polls or physically unable both to operate a voting machine (or mark the ballot) and to orally request assistance to do so.

Signature of physician X

Print physician name

Date

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