

I. **Notice for military and overseas civilian voters**

Attention military and overseas civilian voters who are eligible to register and vote in Michigan!

New state and federal laws make it easier for military and overseas civilian voters to register and participate in elections. Under the new laws, military and overseas civilian voters can now receive a ballot by e-mail or fax to speed the voting process! (The voted ballot must be returned by mail for security purposes.)

Military and overseas civilian voters interested in obtaining ballots for the elections that will be held this year must request a ballot through their local city or township clerk. Requests for absentee ballots submitted prior to 2010 are no longer valid and cannot be processed. Under the new law, requests for ballots are good for every election held in the same calendar year in which the request is received. When submitting your request, be sure to indicate whether you would like to receive your ballot by mail, e-mail or fax.

Additional information including contact information for Michigan's city and township clerks can be obtained through the Michigan Voter Information Center (MVIC) Web site maintained by the Michigan Department of State which is located at: www.Michigan.gov/vote. Click on "Military and Overseas Voters."

II. **Notice for residents who are in contact with military and overseas civilian voters**

Are you in communication with military or overseas civilian voters who are eligible to register and vote in Michigan?

If so, we encourage you to inform them that new state and federal laws make it easier for military and overseas civilian voters to register and participate in elections. Most importantly, military and overseas civilian voters can now receive a ballot by e-mail or fax to speed the voting process! (The voted ballot must be returned by mail for security purposes.)

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www.Michigan.gov/vote

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www.michigan.gov/sos

DEADLINES	State Primary August 3, 2010	General Election November 2, 2010
Registration	August 3, 2010	November 2, 2010
Ballot Request	2 pm, July 31, 2010	2 pm, October 30, 2010
Ballot Return	August 3, 2010	November 2, 2010

These are not mailing deadlines. Mail your voting materials early enough to account for mail delivery times. Check the Recommended Mailing Dates on the next page for details.

Information is current as of June 2010. Check www.fvap.gov for updates.

Registering and Requesting Your Absentee Ballot

The Federal Post Card Application registers you to vote and requests absentee ballots for all elections conducted during the calendar year in which it is submitted.

Complete the Following Blocks of the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA):

Block 1: Select the category that describes you.

Block 2.a: Name (Last, First, Middle)

Block 2.e: Date of Birth

Blocks 2.f and 2.g: Your valid Michigan Driver's License number, Personal Identification Card number OR the last four digits of your Social Security number is required for voter registration. If you do not possess any of these identification numbers, the State shall assign a number that will serve to identify you for voter registration purposes.

Blocks 2.h through 2.j: Recommended but not required. Provide your contact information to allow your local election official to follow up if more information is required.

Blocks 3.a through 3.e: Complete street address of your Michigan voting residence. A post office box is not sufficient. If your address includes a rural route, describe its location in Block 6. This address must be within the city or township where you claim legal voting residence.

Block 4.a: Complete address where you want your ballot sent, usually where you live now.

Block 4.c: Michigan allows you to receive the absentee ballot by mail, email, or fax. Check how you would like to receive your absentee ballot. Provide your email address or fax number in Block 2. If you do not make a selection, then your local election official will mail your ballot to you.

Block 6: Provide any information that may assist the local election official in accepting this application.

Block 7: Sign and date. No witness or notary required.

How and Where to Submit Your FPCA:

Michigan allows you to submit the FPCA by mail, email, or fax.

If you choose to mail your FPCA, mail the form directly to your local election office. Addresses can be found at the end of this section.

If you choose to email your FPCA, you should send the form as a signed, scanned attachment. Email directly to your local election office. Contact information available at www.michigan.gov/sos.

If you choose to fax your FPCA, fax the form directly to your local election official. Fax numbers can be found at www.michigan.gov/sos. You may also use the DoD Electronic Transmission Service to fax your FPCA toll-free. To use the Electronic Transmission Service, use the cover sheet available in Chapter 1 or at www.fvap.gov, and fax to: (703)-696-2148, DSN 426-2148, or toll-free from the U.S., Canada, Guam, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands to 1-800-368-8683. International toll-free numbers can be found on the inside back cover or at www.fvap.gov.

Follow-Up on Your FPCA

To find out the status of your registration/absentee ballot request, contact your local election office or refer to Michigan's voter registration verification website at: <https://webapps.sos.state.mi.us/mivote/>.

Your jurisdiction will contact you regarding the status of your application.

Ballot Request by Letter

You may submit a signed letter to your local election office to request a ballot. The letter must include your printed name and signature, voting residence address, address to which the absentee ballot should be sent, and the date of the election.

Voting by Citizens Who Have Never Lived in the U.S.

Michigan allows a U.S. overseas citizen who is 18 years old, not registered to vote anywhere else in the U.S. and who is a spouse or dependent of a Michigan resident to register and vote in Michigan elections even though they have never established Michigan residency.

Voting Your Ballot

Local election officials send absentee ballots 45 days before primary and general elections.

Voted ballot must be received by the local election office by the close of polls on Election Day.

No witness or notary is required on voted ballots.

Voted ballots must be returned by mail.

Recommended Mailing Dates for the November 2010 General Election

Send your FPCA by August 15, 2010 to ensure that you receive your ballot in time to vote and return it to be counted.

- Voters in Iraq, Afghanistan, ships at sea, and other overseas locations without access to the military postal system should send voted ballots by October 2, 2010
- Voters in other overseas military installations should send voted ballots by October 9, 2010
- Stateside Uniformed Service members and their families should send voted ballots by October 25, 2010.

If you do not receive your State absentee ballot by October 2, 2010, use the Federal Write-in Absentee Ballot. If you receive your State absentee ballot, vote and return it. If both ballots are received by the deadline, only the State ballot will be counted.

Haven't Received Your Ballot? Don't Wait Until It's Too Late. . . Use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot!

Michigan allows you to use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) for voting in general elections for Federal office. If you are registered and have requested your absentee ballot, feel free to use the FWAB to vote anytime before an election.

Complete the Following Blocks of the FWAB's Voter Declaration/ Affirmation:

Block 1.a: Select the category that describes you.

Block 1.b: Michigan does not allow you to use this form for registration. Do not check this box.

Block 2.a: Name (Last, First, Middle)

Block 2.e: Date of Birth

Blocks 2.h through 2.j: Recommended but not required. Provide your contact information to allow your local election official to follow up if more information is required.

Blocks 3.a through 3.e: Complete street address of your Michigan voting residence. A post office box is not sufficient. If your address includes a rural route, describe its location in Block 6. This address must be within the city or township where you claim legal voting residence.

Block 4.a: Enter your current mailing address.

Block 6: Provide any information that may assist the local election official in accepting this ballot or application.

Block 7: Sign and date. No witness or notary required.

Vote Your FWAB:

Vote for any Federal office in a general election. To find out the races and candidates for which you can vote, go to www.michigan.gov/sos. For each office for which you vote, write in either a candidate's name or a political party designation. Once the ballot is complete, fold and place it in the security envelope and seal. Place only the voted ballot in

(After completion, fold to inside and seal before mailing.)

WARNING: Knowingly presenting false information in this application could result in criminal sanctions.

Standard Form 76A (Rev. 10-2005)

REGISTRATION AND ABSENTEE BALLOT REQUEST - FEDERAL POST CARD APPLICATION (FPCA)

1. I REQUEST ABSENTEE BALLOTS FOR ALL ELECTIONS IN WHICH I AM ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AND I AM (Mark only one):

- (a) A MEMBER OF THE UNIFORMED SERVICES OR MERCHANT MARINE ON ACTIVE DUTY, OR AN ELIGIBLE SPOUSE OR DEPENDENT
- (b) A U.S. CITIZEN RESIDING OUTSIDE THE U.S. TEMPORARILY
- (c) A U.S. CITIZEN RESIDING OUTSIDE THE U.S. INDEFINITELY

2. MY INFORMATION (Required)

a. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME (Last, First, Middle)			SUFFIX (Jr., Sr., III, etc.)	b. PREVIOUS NAME (if applicable)	
c. SEX <input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F	d. RACE	e. DATE OF BIRTH (MMDDYYYY)	f. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER — —		g. STATE DRIVER'S LICENSE OR I.D. NUMBER
h. TELEPHONE NUMBER (No DSN number; include all international prefixes)			i. FAX NUMBER (No DSN number; include all international prefixes)		
j. EMAIL ADDRESS					

3. MY VOTING RESIDENCE ADDRESS (Required) (Military, use legal residence. Overseas citizens, use last legal residence in U.S.)

a. NUMBER AND STREET (Cannot be a P.O. Box)				
b. CITY, TOWN OR VILLAGE		c. COUNTY		d. STATE
				e. ZIP CODE —

4. WHERE TO SEND MY VOTING MATERIALS

a. MY CURRENT ADDRESS (Where I live now) (Required) _____ _____ _____	b. MY FORWARDING ADDRESS (NOTE: Complete 4b. only if you do not want your ballot mailed to the address in Block 4a.) _____ _____ _____
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c. I PREFER TO RECEIVE MY ABSENTEE BALLOT, AS PERMITTED BY MY STATE, BY: MAIL FAX EMAIL

5. MY POLITICAL PARTY PREFERENCE (Optional, but may be required by states to register to vote in primary elections):

6. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (Designate the period for which you want to receive ballots - see instructions for Block 6, paragraph (3). Consult the Voting Assistance Guide for other specific state instructions.)

7. AFFIRMATION (Required)

I swear or affirm, under penalty of perjury, that:

1. I am a member of the Uniformed Services or merchant marine on active duty or an eligible spouse or dependent of such a member, or a U.S. citizen temporarily residing outside the U.S., or other U.S. citizen residing outside the U.S., and
2. I am a U.S. citizen, at least 18 years of age (or will be by the day of the election), eligible to vote in the requested jurisdiction, and
3. I have not been convicted of a felony or other disqualifying offense or been adjudicated mentally incompetent, or if so, my voting rights have been reinstated, and
4. I am not registering, requesting a ballot, or voting in any other jurisdiction in the U.S., and
5. My signature and date below indicate when I completed this document, and
6. The information on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

I understand that a material misstatement of fact in completion of this document may constitute grounds for conviction of perjury.

Signed: _____ Date: _____ (MMDDYYYY) Signed: _____ Date: _____ (MMDDYYYY)
 (Witness/Notary and Address (if required))