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I want to vote absentee

Under Wisconsin law, voters do not need a reason or excuse, such as being out of town on Election Day, to vote absentee. Any voter who prefers to vote by absentee ballot may request one. You have several options for requesting an absentee ballot and casting your vote.

Request an Absentee Ballot by Mail

If you are a registered Wisconsin voter, you can download the **Application For Absentee Ballot (GAB-121)**. Just complete the form and mail it to your municipal clerk's office. You can find your clerk at **MyVote WI: myvote.wi.gov** by searching for your voter record or performing an address search. You can also find your clerk by **searching through the list of all Wisconsin municipal clerks**. Your application must be received by the clerk no later than 5:00 p.m. on the Thursday before the election in order for an absentee ballot to be SENT to you. You will also need to provide a copy of your acceptable photo ID with your request. If you have not previously provided a copy of photo ID, photo ID must accompany your first application by mail. More information about photo ID can be found at www.bringit.wi.gov.

If you are not already registered, you will need to **register to vote** before an absentee ballot can be sent to you.

Voters who are indefinitely confined, meaning they have a difficult time getting to the polls due to age, illness, infirmity, or disability, may request that a ballot be automatically sent to them for each election. Indefinitely confined voters do not need to provide a photo ID with their absentee ballot request. If you or someone you know are indefinitely confined you will make this designation in box 6 of the **Application for Absentee Ballot (GAB-121)**. More information on the exceptions to the photo ID law can be found at: <http://bringit.wi.gov/are-there-exceptions-new-law>

Military and Overseas voters have additional options for absentee ballot delivery. Click here for Military. Click here for Overseas. Military and permanent overseas voters do not need to provide a photo ID with their request.

Request an Absentee Ballot by E-Mail or Fax

Regular Wisconsin voters may also request that a ballot be sent to them by sending an e-mail or fax to their municipal clerk. This request must be made no later than 5:00 p.m. on the Thursday before the election in order for an absentee ballot to be SENT to you. If you have not previously provided a copy of photo ID, photo ID must accompany your application. More information about the photo ID requirement at www.bringit.wi.gov.

Options and Deadlines for Returning Your Absentee Ballot

- U.S. Postal Service: Your completed absentee ballot must be postmarked no later than Election Day and received by the municipal clerk no later than 4 p.m. on the Friday after the election.
- Other delivery (FedEx, hand-delivery, etc.): Your completed absentee ballot must be delivered to the municipal clerk no later than 8 p.m. on Election Day

In-Person Absentee Voting at your Municipal Clerk's Office (Early Voting)

You can also vote absentee at your local municipal clerk's office. In-person absentee voting (also known as early voting) runs on **weekdays for two weeks before an election, ending at 5 p.m. or the close of business (whichever is later) on the Friday before the election. Early voting is no longer permitted on weekends. You will need to show your acceptable photo ID** for voting when voting in-person absentee ballot. More information about acceptable photo IDs can be found at www.bringit.wi.gov

Election	Election Day	In-Person (Early) Voting Period Not including weekends
Spring Primary	February 16, 2016	February 1 to 12
Spring Election and Presidential Preference Vote	April 5, 2016	March 21 to April 1
Partisan Primary	August 9, 2016	July 25 to August 5
Fall General Election	November 8, 2016	October 24 to November 4

Please check with your municipal clerk for office hours.

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If you apply for an absentee ballot in your municipal clerk's office, vote your ballot immediately, seal your ballot in the proper envelope, and return it to a member of the clerk's staff. No ballots may be taken from the clerk's office.

Remember, you can only vote once!

Please note: In 2011 the Legislature passed Act 27, which prohibits a voter who has returned a completed absentee ballot from voting at the polling place on Election Day. Previously, voters who cast an absentee ballot and changed their minds could go to the polling place and vote on Election Day, and their absentee ballot would not be counted. This is no longer an option.

Instructions for Completing Absentee Ballot

You can find detailed instructions here: **Uniform Instructions for Absentee Voters**.

If you do not know who your clerk is, or where the clerk's office is located, please use **MyVote WI: myvote.wi.gov**.

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