

Requesting a Mail-In Ballot and Voting by Mail in Arizona

Deadline to Request a Mail-In Ballot: October 23rd at 5:00PM (received by) **Deadline to Submit a Mail-In Ballot:** Received by November 3rd at 7:00PM

How can voters request a mail-in ballot?

Go Online – Visit the Arizona Vote by Mail Portal at: https://azsos.gov/votebymail

Voters can join the Arizona Permanent Early Voting List (PEVL) online by updating their registration using their Drivers License or Non-Drivers Identification Number. Voters on the PEVL are automatically sent a mail-in ballot for all elections in which they are eligible to vote. Voters can also request a one-time mail-in ballot.

OR

Submit a Written Ballot Request Form – Voters can mail, fax, or email a scanned copy or photo of <u>this form</u> to their County Recorder's Office. Voters without a printer may submit handwritten requests if they contain all the information requested in the form. Paper forms must be signed by the voter.

OR

Contact a County Recorder – They can call or email their County Recorder with the following information:

- Name
- Residence address
- Date of birth
- Other identifying information (e.g. driver's license #, last 4 digits of SSN)

Emailed requests to the County Recorded must include the following statement: "I am requesting a ballot-by-mail for the 2020 General Election and am giving the County Recorder permission to mail my ballot to the address provided in this email."

Find each County Recorder's contact information at https://azsos.gov/county-election-info. You can also contact the Arizona Election Services Division at the Secretary of State's Office at elections@azsos.gov or 1-877-THE-VOTE.

*Voters who are confined due to continuing illness or physical disability may request instead that a special election board personally deliver their ballot to them under Arizona Statute 16-549(C). This request would need to be made by October 23rd at 5:00PM. (If you become ill after this date, you may still make the request up until Nov. 2; the board will honor it "when possible"

Can you assist voters in requesting a ballot?

Yes. Ballot requests <u>may be submitted through a candidate, political committee, or other organization</u>. These requests <u>must</u>, however, be relayed to the appropriate political subdivision within 6 business days of receipt or 11 days before the election, whichever comes first. A penalty of \$25 per day per ballot will be assessed to the organization for delays and failure to submit will result in a class 6 felony.

These organizations <u>may pre-populate</u> request information, but if the early ballot request form includes a printed address for return, the addressee <u>must be</u> the address of the political subdivision that will conduct the election. Failure to use this address is punishable by a civil penalty.

Generally, a request cannot be signed and submitted by another person on behalf of a voter. The voter must sign paper forms. If an individual, however, has a disability and is unable to sign or fully complete election materials such as a voter registration form, early ballot, and early ballot affidavit, they may be assisted by an individual who is willing to help at that person's direction.

How can voters return a marked ballot?

Voters can submit their marked ballots by

- Mailing it in, with pre-paid postage
- Dropping it off at:
 - An early voting location, such as the County Recorder's Office or Elections Office
 - A secure ballot drop box

Can you assist voters in returning a marked ballot?

No, not generally; it is illegal under state law to do so. However, so long as the marked ballot is <u>sealed</u> in its envelope, caregivers, household members, and family members can bring it to a County Recorder's office or secure drop box.

These rules are the subject of current litigation. Please check back for updates. This document is not legal advice.

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