

# South Carolina

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DEADLINES	State Primary June 8, 2010	State Primary Runoff June 22, 2010	General Election November 2, 2010
Registration	May 8, 2010	May 8, 2010	October 2, 2010
Ballot Request	5 pm, June 4, 2010	5 pm, June 18, 2010	5 pm, October 29, 2010
Ballot Return	7 pm, June 8, 2010	7 pm, June 22, 2010	7 pm, November 2, 2010

Information is current as of July 2009. Check [www.fvap.gov](http://www.fvap.gov) for updates.

## Registering and Requesting Your Absentee Ballot

### 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.c:** Sex

**Block 2.d:** Requested but not required. Enter the choice that best describes you from the following list: B/AA = Black/ African American; H = Hispanic; A= Asian; W = White; N= Native American; O = Other.

**Block 2.e:** Date of Birth

**Block 2.f:** Social Security Number

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

**Block 5:** To vote in primary elections, you must enter your political party affiliation. If you want to change your political party affiliation, submit a completed FPCA indicating your new party preference to the local election official. Political party affiliation is not required if only requesting absentee ballots for general elections.

**Block 6:** Submission of this form serves as a request to receive ballots for all Federal elections held through the next two regularly scheduled general elections. If you do not wish to receive ballots for that length of time, you may request a ballot for each election for Federal office held in the next election year OR a ballot for only the next scheduled election for Federal office by noting your choice here.

In addition to mailing a regular ballot, South Carolina provides a State Write-In Absentee Ballot to any voter unable to vote using the regular absentee voting process due to military service or due to living in extremely remote areas. This ballot allows you to vote for Federal offices, State offices, and members of the South Carolina General Assembly. You must request this ballot 90 or less days before the election. To request it, write in Block 6: "I am unable to vote by regular absentee ballot or in person due to requirements of military service or due to living in isolated or extremely remote areas of the world. I request a special write-in absentee ballot."

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:

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

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 fax your FPCA, fax the form directly to your local election official. Fax numbers for election officials can be found at [http://www.scvotes.org/how\\_to\\_register\\_absentee\\_voting](http://www.scvotes.org/how_to_register_absentee_voting). 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](http://www.fvap.gov), and fax to: (703)-693-5527, DSN 223-5527, 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](http://www.fvap.gov).

If you choose to email your FPCA, you should send the form as an attachment. Email directly to your local election office. Email addresses can be found at [http://www.scvotes.org/how\\_to\\_register\\_absentee\\_voting](http://www.scvotes.org/how_to_register_absentee_voting).

### Follow-Up on Your FPCA

To find out the status of your registration/absentee ballot request, contact your local election office or refer to South Carolina's voter registration verification website at: <https://webprod.cio.sc.gov/SCSECVoterWeb/voterInformationSearch.do>.

Your jurisdiction will contact you if your application is denied.

### Late Registration

Any person eligible to register who has been discharged or separated from service in the Armed Forces and returned home after the registration deadline may register to vote in the next election up to 5:00 p.m. on election day. They must register at their local election office, and if qualified, they will be issued a registration notification with their voting precinct and a certification to the precinct managers stating that the person is registered and entitled to vote.

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## Voting Your Ballot

Local election officials send absentee ballots at least 45 days before elections.

**Voted ballots must be received by the local election office by the close of polls on election day.**

The oath on the ballot return envelope must be signed and witnessed.

You may return the voted ballot by mail, fax, or email. Use FPCA fax or email instructions under "How and Where to Submit Your FPCA."

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

South Carolina allows you to use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) for registration and voting in general, special, and primary elections for local, State and Federal offices. 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:** South Carolina allows you to use this form for registration.

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

**Block 2.c:** Sex

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**Block 2.e:** Date of Birth

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**Block 4.a:** Enter your current mailing address.

**Block 5:** Enter your political party affiliation if you are voting in a primary election.

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

**Block 7:** Sign and date in the presence of a witness. The witness must sign and date the form.

**Vote Your FWAB:**

Vote for any for local, State or Federal office in a general, special, or primary election. To find out the races and candidates for which you can vote, go to [www.scvotes.org](http://www.scvotes.org). 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 the security envelope and do not write on the security envelope.

**How and Where to Submit Your FWAB:**

If using the FWAB simultaneously as a registration form and voted ballot, it must be received by the local election office by the registration deadline.

If using the FWAB as a voted ballot only, it must be received by the local election office by the ballot return deadline. If you receive the regular ballot after submitting the voted FWAB, you may also vote and return the regular ballot. If both ballots are received by the deadline, only the regular ballot will be counted.

South Carolina allows you to submit the FWAB by mail, fax, or email.

If you choose to mail your FWAB, insert the sealed security envelope and the Voter's Declaration/Affirmation into the mailing envelope and mail the ballot directly to your local election office. Addresses can be found below.

If you choose to fax your FWAB, fax it directly to your local election official. Fax numbers for election officials can be found at [http://www.scvotes.org/how\\_to\\_register\\_absentee\\_voting](http://www.scvotes.org/how_to_register_absentee_voting). Include ballot, voter affirmation, and cover sheet with secrecy waiver. You may also use the DoD Electronic Transmission Service to fax your FWAB toll-free. To use the Electronic Transmission Service, use the cover sheet available in Chapter 1 or at [www.fvap.gov](http://www.fvap.gov), and fax to: (703)-693-5527, DSN 223-5527, 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](http://www.fvap.gov).

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**Local Election Official Addresses**

County	Mailing Address
Abbeville	Abbeville Board of Voter Registration PO Box 417 Abbeville, SC 29620-0417
Aiken	Aiken Board of Voter Registration PO Box 3127 Aiken, SC 29802-3127
Allendale	Allendale Board of Voter Registration 426 Mulberry Street, Unit A Allendale, SC 29810-0552
Anderson	Anderson Board of Voter Registration PO Box 8002 Anderson, SC 29622
Bamberg	Bamberg Board of Voter Registration PO Box 947 Bamberg, SC 29003
Barnwell	Barnwell Board of Voter Registration 34 Pechman Street Barnwell, SC 29812
Beaufort	Beaufort Board of Voter Registration PO Box 1228 Beaufort, SC 29901-1228
Berkeley	Berkeley Board of Voter Registration PO Box 6122 Moncks Corner, SC 29461
Calhoun	Calhoun Board of Voter Registration 102 Courthouse Drive, Suite 113 St. Matthews, SC 29135-1479
Charleston	Charleston Board of Voter Registration PO Box 71419 Charleston, SC 29415-1419
Cherokee	Cherokee Board of Voter Registration 1434 N. Limestone Street Gaffney, SC 29340-4734
Chester	Chester Board of Voter Registration PO Box 580 Chester, SC 29706-0580
Chesterfield	Chesterfield Board of Voter Registration 416 West Boulevard Chesterfield, SC 29709
Clarendon	Clarendon Board of Voter Registration PO Box 548 Manning, SC 29102
Colleton	Colleton Board of Voter Registration PO Box 97 Walterboro, SC 29488-0001
Darlington	Darlington Board of Voter Registration 300 Russell Street, Room 107 Darlington, SC 29532-3329
Dillon	Dillon Board of Voter Registration PO Box 973 Dillon, SC 29536-0973
Dorchester	Dorchester Board of Voter Registration 201 Johnston Street Saint George, SC 29477-2443
Edgefield	Edgefield Board of Voter Registration PO Box 442 Edgefield, SC 29824-0442
Fairfield	Fairfield Board of Voter Registration PO Drawer 60 Winnsboro, SC 29180-0060
Florence	Florence Board of Voter Registration 2685 South Irby Street, Room 41 Florence, SC 29505
Georgetown	Georgetown Board of Voter Registration 303 N. Hazard Street Georgetown, SC 29440-1270
Greenville	Greenville Board of Voter Registration 301 University Ridge, Suite 1900 Greenville, SC 29601-3668
Greenwood	Greenwood Board of Voter Registration 600 Monument Street, Box P-117 Greenwood, SC 29646-2642
Hampton	Hampton Board of Voter Registration 201 Lee Avenue, Room 101 Hampton, SC 29924

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Horry	Horry Board of Voter Registration 103 Elm Street Conway, SC 29526-5116
Jasper	Jasper Board of Voter Registration PO Box 299 Ridgeland, SC 29936-0299
Kershaw	Kershaw Board of Voter Registration 609 Lafayette Ave. Camden, SC 29020-3649
Lancaster	Lancaster Board of Voter Registration PO Box 1809 Lancaster, SC 29721-1809
Laurens	Laurens Board of Voter Registration PO Box 769 Laurens, SC 29360
Lee	Lee Board of Voter Registration PO Box 309 Bishopville, SC 29010
Lexington	Lexington Board of Voter Registration 605 W. Main Street, Suite 105 Lexington, SC 29072-2550
McCormick	McCormick Board of Voter Registration PO Box 636 McCormick, SC 29835-0636
Marion	Marion Board of Voter Registration 137 Airport Ct., Suite E Mullins, SC 29574-6034
Marlboro	Marlboro Board of Voter Registration PO Box 502 Bennettsville, SC 29512-0502
Newberry	Newberry Board of Voter Registration PO Box 147 Newberry, SC 29108
Oconee	Oconee Board of Voter Registration 415 S. Pine St. Walhalla, SC 29691-2145

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Orangeburg	Orangeburg Board of Voter Registration PO Box 9000 Orangeburg, SC 29116-9000
Pickens	Pickens Board of Voter Registration 222 McDaniel Avenue, B-9 Pickens, SC 29671-2556
Richland	Richland Board of Voter Registration PO Box 192 Columbia, SC 29202
Saluda	Saluda Board of Voter Registration 111 Law Range Saluda, SC 29138-1701
Spartanburg	Spartanburg Board of Voter Registration PO Box 1287 Spartanburg, SC 29304-1287
Sumter	Sumter Board of Voter Registration 141 N. Main Street, Room 114 Sumter, SC 29150-4987
Union	Union Board of Voter Registration Supervisor's Office 320 East Main Street Union, SC 29379-2215
Williamsburg	Williamsburg Board of Voter Registration 5 Courthouse Square Kingstree, SC 29556-3932
York	York Board of Voter Registration E.C. Black Building 13 S. Congress Street York, SC 29745

***You Decide, Vote with Pride!***  
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