

New Mexico

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DEADLINES	State Primary June 1, 2010	General Election November 2, 2010
Registration	Not Required	Not Required
Ballot Request	May 27, 2010	October 28, 2010
Ballot Return	June 1, 2010	November 2, 2010

Information is current as of July 2009. Check www.fvap.gov for updates.

Registering and Requesting Your Absentee Ballot

Registration is not required. You must still complete the FPCA to request an 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.e: Date of Birth

Blocks 2.f and 2.g: Your valid New Mexico Driver's License number OR your full Social Security number is required if you are a first-time voter in New Mexico. If you do not possess either of these identification numbers, the State shall assign a number that serves 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 New Mexico 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: New Mexico 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 are a registered non-partisan or undeclared, you must indicate which party ballot you want to receive. If you want to change your political party affiliation, submit a completed FPCA indicating your new party preference to the local election official no later than 28 days before the election. 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. 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:

New Mexico 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, you must also submit the FPCA by mail. It is recommended that you fax the form directly to your local election official. Fax numbers can be found at www.sos.state.nm.us. 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)-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.

If you choose to email your FPCA, you should send the form as an attachment. You must also submit the FPCA by mail. Email directly to your local election office. Email addresses can be found at www.sos.state.nm.us.

Follow-Up on Your FPCA

To find out the status of your registration/absentee ballot request, contact your local election office or refer to New Mexico's voter registration verification website at: <https://voterview.state.nm.us/>.

Your jurisdiction will contact you if your application is denied.

Voting Your Ballot

Local election officials mail absentee ballots approximately 40 days before primary elections, 49 days before general elections, and 35 days before special elections.

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

No witness or notary is required on voted ballots.

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

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

New Mexico allows you to use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot for registration and voting in general and primary elections for local, State and Federal offices. If you 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: New Mexico allows you to use this form for registration.

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

Block 2.e: Date of Birth

Blocks 2.f and 2.g: Your valid New Mexico Driver's License number OR your full Social Security number is required if you are a first-time voter in New Mexico. If you do not possess either of these identification numbers, the State shall assign a number that serves 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 New Mexico 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: Enter your current mailing address.

Block 5: Enter your political party affiliation if you want to vote in primary elections.

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 local, State or Federal office in a general or primary election. To find out the races and candidates for which you can vote, go to www.sos.State.nm.us. 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:

The deadlines for submitting the FWAB are the same as for regular State absentee ballots. 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.

New Mexico 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, you must also submit the FWAB by mail. It is recommended that you fax the ballot

directly to your local election official. Fax numbers can be found at www.sos.state.nm.us. 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, 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.

If you choose to email your FWAB, you should send the ballot as an attachment. Include ballot, voter affirmation, and cover sheet with secrecy waiver. Email directly to your local election office. Email addresses can be found at www.sos.state.nm.us. You must also submit the FWAB by mail.

Local Election Office Addresses

County	Mailing Address
Bernalillo	Bernalillo County Clerk 1 Civic Plaza, NW, 6th Floor Albuquerque, NM 87102-2169
Catron	Catron County Clerk Box 197 Reserve, NM 87830-0197
Chaves	Chaves County Clerk Box 580 Roswell, NM 88202-0580
Cibola	Cibola County Clerk 515 West High Street Grants, NM 87020
Colfax	Colfax County Clerk Box 159 Raton, NM 87740-0159
Curry	Curry County Clerk 700 N. Main Street, Suite 7 Clovis, NM 88102-1168
De Baca	De Baca County Clerk Box 347 Fort Sumner, NM 88119-0347
Dona Ana	Dona Ana County Bureau of Elections Office of the County Clerk 845 N. Motel Blvd. Las Cruces, NM 88007
Eddy	Eddy County Clerk 101 West Greene St., Suite 312 Carlsbad, NM 88220
Grant	Grant County Clerk Box 898 Silver City, NM 88062-0898
Guadalupe	Guadalupe County Clerk 420 Parker Ave., Suite 1 Santa Rosa, NM 88435

County	Mailing Address
Harding	Harding County Clerk 35 Pine Street Mosquero, NM 87733
Hidalgo	Hidalgo County Clerk 300 S. Shakespeare Street Lordsburg, NM 88045-1939
Lea	Lea County Clerk PO Box 1507 Lovington, NM 88260-1507
Lincoln	Lincoln County Clerk Box 338 Carrizozo, NM 88301-0338
Los Alamos	Los Alamos County Clerk PO Box 30 Los Alamos, NM 87544-0030
Luna	Luna County Clerk PO Box 1838 Deming, NM 88031-1838
McKinley	McKinley County Clerk Box 1268 Gallup, NM 87305-1268
Mora	Mora County Clerk Box 360 Mora, NM 87732-0360
Otero	Otero County Clerk 1000 New York Avenue, Room 108 Alamogordo, NM 88310-6932
Quay	Quay County Clerk Box 1225 Tucumcari, NM 88401-1225
Rio Arriba	Rio Arriba County Clerk P O Box 158 Tierra Amarilla, NM 87575
Roosevelt	Roosevelt County Clerk 109 West First Street, Lobby Box 4 Portales, NM 88130-5901
Sandoval	Sandoval County Clerk Box 40 Bernalillo, NM 87004-0040
San Juan	San Juan County Clerk Box 550 Aztec, NM 87410-0550
San Miguel	San Miguel County Clerk 500 West National Avenue, Suite 113 Las Vegas, NM 87701-3703
Santa Fe	Santa Fe County Clerk Box 1985 Santa Fe, NM 87504-1985
Sierra	Sierra County Clerk 100 N. Date Street T or C, NM 87901-2398
Socorro	Socorro County Clerk Box 1 Socorro, NM 87801-0001
Taos	Taos County Clerk 105 Albright Street, Suite D Taos, NM 87571
Torrance	Torrance County Clerk PO Box 767 Estancia, NM 87106
Union	Union County Clerk PO Box 430 Clayton, NM 88415
Valencia	Valencia County Clerk PO Box 969 Los Lunas, NM 87031

What Can You Do for Your Country? Vote!

by Aaron Pauli, US Air Force

