

West Virginia

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DEADLINES	State Primary May 11, 2010	General Election November 2, 2010
Registration	April 20, 2010	October 12, 2010
Ballot Request	May 5, 2010	October 28, 2010
Ballot Return	May 18, 2010	November 9, 2010

Information is current as of July 2009. Check 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.e: Date of Birth.

Blocks 2.f and 2.g: Your valid West Virginia Driver's License number or the last four digits of your Social Security number is required for voter registration. If you do not possess either 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 West Virginia 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: West Virginia allows you to receive your absentee ballot by mail or fax. Check how you would like to receive your absentee ballot. Provide your fax number 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 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 21 days prior to 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:

West Virginia allows you to submit the FPCA by mail. Certain jurisdictions also allow you to submit the form by fax. Check with your local election office or www.wvvotes.com to find out if your county allows you to use 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 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.wvvotes.com. 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.

Follow-Up on Your FPCA

To find out the status of your registration/absentee ballot request, contact your local election office or refer to West Virginia's voter registration verification website at: <http://www.wvvotes.com/voters/am-i-registered.php>.

Your jurisdiction will contact you if your application is denied.

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

A U.S. citizen who was born abroad and who is eligible to vote and who has never lived in the U.S. may register and vote in the county where either parent would be eligible to vote.

Voting Your Ballot

Local election officials send absentee ballots approximately 42 days before elections.

Voted ballots must be received by the local election no later than 5 business days after general and special elections and no later than the Friday after primary elections.

No witness or notary is required on voted ballots.

You may return the voted ballot by mail or fax. Use FPCA fax 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!

West Virginia allows you to use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) for voting in primary and general elections for local, State and Federal offices. 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: West Virginia does not allow you to use this form to register. 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 West Virginia 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 or write undeclared or non-partisan 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 primary or general election. To find out the races and candidates for which you can vote, go to www.wvvotes.com. 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.

West Virginia allows you to submit the FWAB by mail or fax. Certain jurisdictions also allow you to submit the ballot by fax. Check with your local election office or www.wvvotes.com to find out if your county allows you to use fax.

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 on the following page.

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.wvvotes.com. 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.

Local Election Office Addresses

County	Mailing Address
Barbour	Barbour Clerk of the County Commission 8 North Mail Street Philippi, WV 26416-1154
Berkeley	Berkeley Clerk of the County Commission 100 West King Street Martinsburg, WV 25401-3210
Boone	Boone Clerk of the County Commission 200 State Street Madison, WV 25130-1189
Braxton	Braxton Clerk of the County Commission 300 Main Street Sutton, WV 26601-1313
Brooke	Brooke Clerk of the County Commission 632 Main Street Wellsburg, WV 26070-0474
Cabell	Cabell Clerk of the County Commission 750 5th Avenue, Suite 300 Huntington, WV 25701-0545
Calhoun	Calhoun Clerk of the County Commission PO Box 230 Grantsville, WV 26147-0266
Clay	Clay Clerk of the County Commission PO Box 196 Clay, WV 25403-0129
Doddridge	Doddridge Clerk of the County Commission 118 E. Court Street, Room 102 West Union, WV 26546-1297
Fayette	Fayette Clerk of the County Commission PO Box 569 Fayetteville, WV 25840-1517
Gilmer	Gilmer Clerk of the County Commission 10 Howard Street Glenville, WV 26351-1246
Grant	Grant Clerk of the County Commission 5 Highland Avenue Petersburg, WV 26847-1795
Greenbrier	Greenbrier Clerk of the County Commission 200 North Court Street Lewisburg, WV 24901-0751
Hampshire	Hampshire Clerk of the County Commission 66 N. High Street Romney, WV 26757-1696
Hancock	Hancock Clerk of the County Commission PO Box 367 New Cumberland, WV 26047-0428
Hardy	Hardy Clerk of the County Commission 204 Washington Street Moorefield, WV 26836-1155
Harrison	Harrison Clerk of the County Commission 301 W. Main Street Clarksburg, WV 26301-2967
Jackson	Jackson Clerk of the County Commission PO Box 800 Ripley, WV 25271-0427

County	Mailing Address
Jefferson	Jefferson Clerk of the County Commission PO Box 208 Charles Town, WV 25414-1072
Kanawha	Kanawha Clerk of the County Commission 407 Virginia Street, East Charleston, WV 25301-2500
Lewis	Lewis Clerk of the County Commission PO Box 466 Weston, WV 26452-0069
Lincoln	Lincoln Clerk of the County Commission PO Box 497 Hamlin, WV 25523-1419
Logan	Logan Clerk of the County Commission 300 Stratton Street Logan, WV 25601-3939
Marion	Marion Clerk of the County Commission PO Box 1267 Fairmont, WV 26554-1269
Marshall	Marshall Clerk of the County Commission PO Box 459 Moundsville, WV 26041-2129
Mason	Mason Clerk of the County Commission 200 6th Street Point Pleasant, WV 25550-1131
McDowell	McDowell Clerk of the County Commission 90 Wyoming Street, Suite 109 Welch, WV 24801-0400
Mercer	Mercer Clerk of the County Commission 1501 West Main Street Princeton, WV 24740-2626
Mineral	Mineral Clerk of the County Commission 150 Armstrong Street Keyser, WV 267226-3597
Mingo	Mingo Clerk of the County Commission PO Box 1197 Williamson, WV 25661-0435
Monongalia	Monongalia Clerk of the County Commission 243 High Street Morgantown, WV 26505-5427
Monroe	Monroe Clerk of the County Commission PO Box 350 Union, WV 24983-0350
Morgan	Morgan Clerk of the County Commission 83 Fairfax Street Berkeley Springs, WV 25411-1501
Nicholas	Nicholas Clerk of the County Commission 700 Main Street, Suite 2 Summersville, WV 26651-1489
Ohio	Ohio Clerk of the County Commission 1500 Chapline Street Wheeling, WV 26003-3592
Pendleton	Pendleton Clerk of the County Commission PO Box 1167 Franklin, WV 26807-0089
Pleasants	Pleasants Clerk of the County Commission 301 Court Lane St. Marys, WV 26170-1317
Pocahontas	Pocahontas Clerk of the County Commission 900-C 10th Avenue Marlinton, WV 24954-1394
Preston	Preston Clerk of the County Commission 101 W. Main Street, Room 201 Kingwood, WV 26537-1127
Putnam	Putnam Clerk of the County Commission 3389 Winfield Road Winfield, WV 25213-0358
Raleigh	Raleigh Clerk of the County Commission 215 Main Street Beckley, WV 25802-4688
Randolph	Randolph Clerk of the County Commission PO Box 368 Elkins, WV 26241-4099
Ritchie	Ritchie Clerk of the County Commission 115 E. Main Street Harrisville, WV 26362-1271
Roane	Roane Clerk of the County Commission PO Box 69 Spencer, WV 25276-0122

County	Mailing Address
Summers	Summers Clerk of the County Commission 120 Ballengee Street Hinton, WV 25951-1058
Taylor	Taylor Clerk of the County Commission 214 W. Main Street Grafton, WV 26354-1387
Tucker	Tucker Clerk of the County Commission 215 First Street Parsons, WV 26287-1235
Tyler	Tyler Clerk of the County Commission PO Box 66 Middlebourne, WV 26149-0008
Upshur	Upshur Clerk of the County Commission 38 W. Main Street Buckhannon, WV 26201-2259
Wayne	Wayne Clerk of the County Commission PO Box 248 Wayne, WV 25570-0038

County	Mailing Address
Webster	Webster Clerk of the County Commission 2 Court Square Webster Springs, WV 26288-1095
Wetzel	Wetzel Clerk of the County Commission PO Box 156 New Martinsville, WV 26155-0263
Wirt	Wirt Clerk of the County Commission PO Box 53 Elizabeth, WV 26143-0465
Wood	Wood Clerk of the County Commission #1 Court Square Parkersburg, WV 26101-5353
Wyoming	Wyoming Clerk of the County Commission PO Drawer 309 Pineville, WV 24874-9802

One Vote Can Change Our Future. Will It Be Yours? Vote!

by Natasha Biggs, US Marine Corps