

# Montana

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## Federal Election Deadlines

	Presidential Primary June 4, 2024	State Primary June 4, 2024	General Election November 5, 2024
Registration	Received by 8 PM, June 4, 2024	Received by 8 PM, June 4, 2024	Received by 8 PM, November 5, 2024
Ballot Request	Received by 8 PM, June 4, 2024	Received by 8 PM, June 4, 2024	Received by 8 PM, November 5, 2024
Ballot Return*	Return by Mail: Received by 8 PM, June 4, 2024 Return by Email/Online or Fax: Sent by** 8 PM, June 4, 2024	Return by Mail: Received by 8 PM, June 4, 2024 Return by Email/Online or Fax: Sent by** 8 PM, June 4, 2024	Return by Mail: Received by 8 PM, November 5, 2024 Return by Email/Online or Fax: Sent by** 8 PM, November 5, 2024

\*Ballot Return: The FWAB must be sent by 8pm on the day of the election and received by no later than 3pm on the 6th day after the election.

\*\*Ballot Return: Ballot must still be received by 5pm the day after the election.

Please mail your voting materials early enough to account for mail delivery times. Check the recommended mailing dates section in [Chapter 1](#) for details.

## Important information

What is UOCAVA?	The <i>Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act</i> is commonly referred to as <i>UOCAVA</i> . <i>UOCAVA</i> citizens are U.S. citizens who are active members of the Uniformed Services, the Merchant Marine, the commissioned corps of the Public Health Service and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, their eligible family members and other U.S. citizens residing outside the United States. The law provides the legal basis for absentee voting requirements for federal offices.
What is the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA)?	The FPCA (Federal Standard Form 76) allows <i>UOCAVA</i> citizens to register to vote and request an absentee ballot. This form is also used to update your contact information.
What is the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB)?	The FWAB (Federal Standard Form 186) serves as an emergency backup ballot for <i>UOCAVA</i> citizens. If you do not receive your absentee ballot from your state in time to return it to your election official to participate in the election, use the FWAB.
What is the Prepaid Mail Label 11- DoD?	<i>Overseas Uniformed Service members</i> can use this label for general election absentee ballots. It provides free express mail service to your election official for general election absentee ballots. You can request to have a Prepaid Mail Label 11-DoD applied to your absentee ballot at Military Postal Office locations (APO/FPO). Keep part of the tracking label to track your absentee ballot through the U.S. Postal Service.
What is a primary election?	A primary election is an election held before the general election to determine the candidates that can be placed on the general election ballot.
I am an American citizen, but I have never lived in the U.S., can I vote in this state?	A U.S. citizen who has never resided in the U.S., and has a parent that was last eligible to vote in Montana, is eligible to vote in Montana as long as he or she has not registered or voted in another state.

I am a National Guardsman activated on state orders; does my state afford me UOCAVA privileges? Yes.

How can I check the status of my ballot? You can check the status of your absentee ballot here: <https://votemt.gov>

Does my state have any online tools? You can see if your state has any online tools available here: <https://www.fvap.gov/montana>

## Registering and requesting your absentee ballot

Under federal law, the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) registers you to vote and requests absentee ballots for a minimum of all federal elections in the current calendar year. Be sure to complete a new FPCA each year and every time your address changes.

### Complete the following sections of the FPCA

Section 1 Select the category that best describes you.

Enter your current name (Last, First). If you are registered under a different name, provide this information in the previous name area.

Your date of birth is required.

You must provide your Montana-issued ID number **or** the last four digits of your Social Security Number. If you do not have any of these numbers you must enter in Section 6: "I do not have a Social Security Number or Montana-issued ID number."

Section 2 Enter the complete street address of your voting residence where you are registering to vote and requesting an absentee ballot. You cannot use a post office box mailing address. If your address is a rural route, use Section 6 to describe the location of your voting residence.

Section 3 Enter your current mailing address, even if you are requesting your ballot by email or online, or fax. If you want your election materials sent to a different address or have a forwarding address, use the forwarding address space to provide this information.

Section 4 Your contact information is recommended so your election official can contact you if they need additional information from you in order to accept your FPCA. If you want to receive your absentee ballot by email or online, or fax, you must provide your email address or fax number.

Section 5 A. Select your preferred method of receiving your absentee ballot. You can choose to receive your absentee ballot by "mail", "email or online", or "fax".

B. Political party is not required.

Section 6 Provide any information that may assist your election official in accepting this form. You can use this space to designate particular elections or the period you wish to receive ballots.

Section 7 Sign and date the form. No witness signature required.

### How and where to submit your FPCA

You can submit the FPCA by **mail, email or online**, or **fax**. Contact information can be found in the "Local Election Offices" section or online at [FVAP.gov](https://www.fvap.gov).

**Mail your FPCA:** Once your FPCA is complete, sign and date the form. Mail your FPCA directly to your election official.

**Email your FPCA:** Once your FPCA is complete, sign and date the form. Scan the signed FPCA into your computer. Be sure to also include the "Transmission Cover Sheet". Email this package directly to your election official.

**Fax your FPCA:** Once your FPCA is complete, sign and date the form. Fax your FPCA directly to your election official. Be sure to also include the "Transmission Cover Sheet".

To find out the status of your FPCA, contact your election official. Your election official will contact you if your FPCA is not accepted.

## Voting your ballot

Once you receive your absentee ballot from your state it must be returned according to the deadlines and requirements in the "Federal Election Deadlines" chart. For special federal elections, visit [FVAP.gov](https://www.fvap.gov) for specific deadlines.

You can submit the state absentee ballot by **mail**, **email**, or **fax**.

Contact information can be found in the "Local Election Offices" section.

*Overseas Uniformed Service members* can request to have the Prepaid Mail Label 11-DoD applied to the general election ballot. Additional information about this label can be found in the "Important Information" section.

## Haven't received your ballot? Use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot

The Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) can be used to register to vote. If you are using the FWAB to register to vote, it **must** be received by the registration deadline listed in the "Federal Election Deadlines" chart.

You can use the FWAB to vote in federal, state and local elections, including ballot measures.

### Complete the following sections of the FWAB's voter information page

Section 1 Select the category that best describes you.

Enter your current name (Last, First). If you are registered under a different name, provide this information in the previous name area.

Your date of birth is required.

You must provide your Montana-issued ID number **or** the last four digits of your Social Security Number. If you do not have any of these numbers you must enter in Section 6: "I do not have a Social Security Number or Montana-issued ID number."

Section 2 Enter the complete street address of your voting residence where you are registering to vote and requesting an absentee ballot. You cannot use a post

office box mailing address. If your address is a rural route, use Section 6 to describe the location of your voting residence.

Section 3 Enter your current mailing address, even if you are requesting your ballot by email or online, or fax. If you want your election materials sent to a different address or have a forwarding address, use the forwarding address space to provide this information.

Section 4 Your contact information is recommended so your election official can contact you if they need additional information from you in order to accept your FWAB. If you want to receive your absentee ballot by email or online, or fax, you must provide your email address or fax number.

Section 5 A. Check "Yes" if you would like to register to vote and/or request an absentee ballot, otherwise check "No."

B. Select your preferred method of receiving your absentee ballot. You can choose to receive your absentee ballot by "mail", "email or online", or "fax".

C. Political party is not required.

Section 6 Provide any information that may assist the election official in accepting this form. You can use this space to designate particular elections or the period you wish to receive ballots.

Section 7 Sign and date the form. No witness signature required.

## Vote your FWAB

To vote, write in either a candidate's name or political party for each office. You are not required to make a selection for each and every contest.

### How and where to submit your FWAB

You can submit the FWAB by **mail**, **email**, or **fax**. Contact information can be found in the "Local Election Offices" section or online at [FVAP.gov](https://www.fvap.gov).

**Mail your FWAB:** Once your FWAB is complete, sign and date the "Voter Information" page. Fold along the dotted line and seal the completed "Official Backup Ballot", do not write on the "Official Ballot" envelope. Insert the sealed "Official Ballot" envelope and the "Voter Information" page into the mailing envelope and mail your FWAB directly to your election official.

*Overseas Uniformed Service members* can request to have the Prepaid Mail Label 11-DoD applied to the general election ballot. Additional information about this label can be found in the "Important Information" section or online at FVAP.gov.

**Email your FWAB:** Once your FWAB is complete, sign and date the "Voter Information" page. Scan the signed "Voter Information" page, the "Official Backup Ballot" and the "Transmission Cover Sheet", found at the end of Chapter 1 or online at FVAP.gov, into your computer. Be sure to also sign the secrecy waiver on the "Transmission Cover Sheet". Email this ballot package directly to your election official.

**Fax your FWAB:** Once your FWAB is complete, sign and date the "Voter Information" page. Fax the signed "Voter Information" page, the "Official Backup Ballot" and the "Transmission Cover Sheet", found at the end of Chapter 1 or online at FVAP.gov, directly to your election official. Be sure to also sign the secrecy waiver on the "Transmission Cover Sheet".

See the "Federal Election Deadlines" chart for the deadline for submitting the FWAB. If you receive the state absentee ballot after transmitting your voted FWAB, you may also vote and return the state absentee ballot. If both are received by the deadline, only the state absentee ballot will be counted.

## Local election offices for county

County	Mailing Address
<b>Beaverhead</b>	Beaverhead County Election Administrator 2 S Pacific St, No 3 Dillon, MT 59725-2799 Phone: (406) 683-3720 Fax: (406) 683-3781 Email: sreynolds@beaverheadcountymt.gov
<b>Big Horn</b>	Big Horn County Election Administrator PO Box 908 Hardin, MT 59034-0908 Phone: (406) 665-9796 Fax: (406) 665-9824 Email: dbeardontwalk@bighorncountymt.gov
<b>Blaine</b>	Blaine County Election Administrator PO Box 278 Chinook, MT 59523-0278 Phone: (406) 357-4022 Fax: (406) 357-2199 Email: elections@blainecounty-mt.gov
<b>Broadwater</b>	Broadwater County Election Administrator 515 Broadway St Townsend, MT 59644-2397 Phone: (406) 266-3405 Fax: (406) 266-3674 Email: apaulsen@co.broadwater.mt.us
<b>Carbon</b>	Carbon County Election Administrator PO Box 887 Red Lodge, MT 59068-0887 Phone: (406) 446-1220 Fax: (406) 446-2640 Email: elections@co.carbon.mt.us
<b>Carter</b>	Carter County Election Administrator Box 315 Ekalaka, MT 59324-0315 Phone: (406) 775-8749 Fax: (406) 775-8750 Email: jwright@cartercounty.us
<b>Cascade</b>	Cascade County Election Administrator Box 2305 Great Falls, MT 59403-2305 Phone: (406) 454-6803 Fax: (406) 454-6725 Email: ttompson@cascadecountymt.gov
<b>Chouteau</b>	Chouteau County Election Administrator Box 459 Fort Benton, MT 59442-0459 Phone: (406) 622-5151 Fax: (406) 622-3012 Email: claassen@itstriangle.com
<b>Custer</b>	Custer County Election Administrator 1010 Main St, Ste 17 Miles City, MT 59301-3496 Phone: (406) 874-3343 Fax: (406) 874-3452 Email: l.corbett@co.custer.mt.us
<b>Daniels</b>	Daniels County Election Administrator Box 247 Scobey, MT 59263-0247 Phone: (406) 487-5561 Fax: (406) 487-5583 Email: clerkrec@danielsco.mt.gov
<b>Dawson</b>	Dawson County Election Administrator 207 W Bell Glendive, MT 59330-1616 Phone: (406) 377-3058 Fax: (406) 377-1717 Email: kreimans@dawsonmt.gov

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<b>Deer Lodge</b>	Deer Lodge County Election Administrator 800 Main Anaconda, MT 59711-2950 Phone: (406) 563-4046 Fax: (406) 563-4078 Email: thofland@adlc.us	<b>Lake</b>	Lake County Election Administrator 106 4th Ave E Polson, MT 59860-2125 Phone: (406) 883-7268 Fax: (406) 883-7230 Email: tkramer@lakemt.gov
<b>Fallon</b>	Fallon County Election Administrator Box 846 Baker, MT 59313-0846 Phone: (406) 778-7106 Fax: (406) 778-2048 Email: woodb@falloncounty.net	<b>Lewis and Clark</b>	Lewis and Clark County Election Administrator 316 N Park Ave, Rm 168 Helena, MT 59623-0001 Phone: (406) 447-8339 Fax: (406) 457-8598 Email: elections@lccountymt.gov
<b>Fergus</b>	Fergus County Election Administrator 712 W Main, Ste 204 Lewistown, MT 59457-2561 Phone: (406) 535-5242 Fax: (406) 535-9023 Email: clerkrecorder@co.fergus.mt.us	<b>Liberty</b>	Liberty County Election Administrator Box 459 Chester, MT 59522-0459 Phone: (406) 759-5365 Fax: (406) 759-5395 Email: clerk@libertycountymt.gov
<b>Flathead</b>	Flathead County Election Administrator 290 B North Main Kalispell, MT 59901 Phone: (406) 758-5535 Fax: (406) 758-5877 Email: dpierson@flathead.mt.gov	<b>Lincoln</b>	Lincoln County Election Administrator 418 Mineral Ave Libby, MT 59923-1942 Phone: (406) 283-2302 Fax: (406) 293-8577 Email: mhowell@libby.org
<b>Gallatin</b>	Gallatin County Election Administrator 311 W Main, Rm 210 Bozeman, MT 59715 Phone: (406) 582-3060 Fax: (406) 582-3196 Email: gallatin.elections@gallatin.mt.gov	<b>Madison</b>	Madison County Election Administrator Box 366 Virginia City, MT 59755-0366 Phone: (406) 843-4270 Fax: (406) 843-5264 Email: pmckenzie@madisoncountymt.gov
<b>Garfield</b>	Garfield County Election Administrator PO Box 7 Jordan, MT 59337-0007 Phone: (406) 557-2760 Fax: (406) 557-2765 Email: clerk@garfieldco.us	<b>McCone</b>	McCone County Election Administrator Box 199 Circle, MT 59215-0199 Phone: (406) 485-3505 Fax: (406) 485-2689 Email: skluth@mcconecountymt.gov
<b>Glacier</b>	Glacier County Election Administrator 512 E Main Cut Bank, MT 59427-3075 Phone: (406) 873-3609 Fax: (406) 873-3613 Email: ccole@glaciercountymt.gov	<b>Meagher</b>	Meagher County Election Administrator Box 309 White Sulphur Springs, MT 59645-0309 Phone: (406) 547-3612 x2 Fax: (406) 547-3388 Email: lwest@meagherco.net
<b>Golden Valley</b>	Golden Valley County Election Administrator PO Box 10 Ryegate, MT 59074-0010 Phone: (406) 568-2231 Fax: (406) 568-2428 Email: rebecca@goldenvalleymt.org	<b>Mineral</b>	Mineral County Election Administrator Box 550 Superior, MT 59872-0550 Phone: (406) 822-3520 Fax: (406) 822-3579 Email: kmclees@co.mineral.mt.us
<b>Granite</b>	Granite County Election Administrator Box 925 Philipsburg, MT 59858-0925 Phone: (406) 859-3771 Fax: (406) 859-3817 Email: sgraham@co.granite.mt.us	<b>Missoula</b>	Missoula County Election Administrator 140 N Russell St Missoula, MT 59801-4216 Phone: (406) 258-4751 Fax: (406) 258-3913 Email: electioninfo@missoulacounty.us
<b>Hill</b>	Hill County Election Administrator 315 4th St Havre, MT 59501-3923 Phone: (406) 400-2412 Fax: (406) 265-2445 Email: dockterl@hillcounty.us	<b>Musselshell</b>	Musselshell County Election Administrator 506 Main Roundup, MT 59072-2426 Phone: (406) 323-1104 Fax: (406) 323-3303 Email: ctomassi@co.musselshell.mt.us
<b>Jefferson</b>	Jefferson County Election Administrator Box H Boulder, MT 59632-0249 Phone: (406) 225-4020 Fax: (406) 225-4149 Email: gkunz@jeffersoncounty-mt.gov	<b>Park</b>	Park County Election Administrator 414 E Callender St Livingston, MT 59047-2746 Phone: (406) 222-4110 Fax: (406) 222-4193 Email: mreddington@parkcounty.org
<b>Judith Basin</b>	Judith Basin County Election Administrator Box 427 Stanford, MT 59479-0427 Phone: (406) 566-2277 x109 Fax: (406) 566-2211 Email: akelly@jbccounty.org	<b>Petroleum</b>	Petroleum County Election Administrator Box 226 Winnett, MT 59087-0226 Phone: (406) 429-5311 Fax: (406) 429-6328 Email: jhoge@petroleumcountymt.org

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<b>Pondera</b>	Pondera County Election Administrator 20 4th Ave SW Conrad, MT 59425-2383 Phone: (406) 271-4000 Fax: (406) 271-4070 Email: kody.farkell@ponderacounty.org	<b>Stillwater</b>	Stillwater County Election Administrator Box 149 Columbus, MT 59019-0149 Phone: (406) 322-8000 Fax: (406) 322-8069 Email: hstadel@stillwatercountymt.gov
<b>Powder River</b>	Powder River County Election Administrator Box 200 Broadus, MT 59317-0200 Phone: (406) 436-2361 Fax: (406) 436-2151 Email: cgatlin@prco.mt.gov	<b>Sweet Grass</b>	Sweet Grass County Election Administrator Box 888 Big Timber, MT 59011-0888 Phone: (406) 932-5152 Fax: (406) 932-3026 Email: vpederson@sgcountymt.gov
<b>Powell</b>	Powell County Election Administrator 409 Missouri Deer Lodge, MT 59722-1078 Phone: (406) 846-9786 Fax: (406) 846-3891 Email: jwalker@powellcountymt.gov	<b>Teton</b>	Teton County Election Administrator Box 610 Choteau, MT 59422-0610 Phone: (406) 466-2693 Fax: (406) 466-3244 Email: sclarke@tetoncountymt.gov
<b>Prairie</b>	Prairie County Election Administrator Box 125 Terry, MT 59349-0125 Phone: (406) 635-5575 Fax: (406) 635-5576 Email: cr@prairiecouny.org	<b>Toole</b>	Toole County Election Administrator 226 1st St S Shelby, MT 59474-1990 Phone: (406) 424-8300 Fax: (406) 424-8301 Email: tnelson@toolecountymt.gov
<b>Ravalli</b>	Ravalli County Election Administrator 215 S 4th St, Ste C Hamilton, MT 59840-2703 Phone: (406) 375-6550 Fax: (406) 375-6554 Email: rplettenberg@rc.mt.gov	<b>Treasure</b>	Treasure County Election Administrator Box 392 Hysham, MT 59038-0392 Phone: (406) 342-5547 Fax: (406) 342-5547 Email: msears@treasurecountymt.com
<b>Richland</b>	Richland County Election Administrator 201 W Main Sidney, MT 59270-4087 Phone: (406) 433-1708 Fax: (406) 433-3731 Email: sverhasselt@richland.org	<b>Valley</b>	Valley County Election Administrator 501 Court Sq, Box 2 Glasgow, MT 59230-2405 Phone: (406) 228-6226 Fax: (406) 228-9027 Email: mpippin@valleycountymt.gov
<b>Roosevelt</b>	Roosevelt County Election Administrator 400 2nd Ave S Wolf Point, MT 59201-1600 Phone: (406) 653-6250 Fax: (406) 653-6289 Email: treum@rooseveltcouny.org	<b>Wheatland</b>	Wheatland County Election Administrator Box 1903 Harlowton, MT 59036-1903 Phone: (406) 632-4891 Fax: (406) 632-4880 Email: mcameron@wheatlandco.com
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<b>Sanders</b>	Sanders County Election Administrator Box 519 Thompson Falls, MT 59873-0519 Phone: (406) 827-3038 Fax: (406) 827-6970 Email: elections@co.sanders.mt.us	<b>Yellowstone</b>	Yellowstone County Election Administrator Box 35002 Billings, MT 59107-5002 Phone: (406) 256-2740 Fax: (406) 254-7940 Email: elections@yellowstonecountymt.gov
<b>Sheridan</b>	Sheridan County Election Administrator 100 W Laurel Ave Plentywood, MT 59254-1647 Phone: (406) 765-3403 Fax: (406) 765-2609 Email: record_supt@sheridancountymt.gov		