

Clerk's Name & Address

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# Absent Voter Ballot Application

Voter's Name & Address

Check reason why you are requesting ballot. If a reason is not checked for an election, an absentee ballot will not be issued for that election.

**WARNING:** You must be a United States citizen to vote. If you are not a United States citizen, you will not be issued an absent voter ballot. A person making a false statement in this absent voter application is guilty of a misdemeanor.

**See reverse side for additional instructions and warnings.**

**CHECK REASON FOR REQUESTING AV BALLOT HERE**

- I am 60 years of age or older.
- I expect to be absent from the community in which I am registered for the entire time the polls are open on election day.
- I am physically unable to attend the polls without the assistance of another.
- I cannot attend the polls because of the tenets of my religion.
- I have been appointed an election precinct inspector in a precinct other than the precinct where I reside.
- I cannot attend the polls because I am confined to jail awaiting arraignment or trial.

**I CERTIFY THAT I AM A UNITED STATES CITIZEN AND THAT THE STATEMENTS IN THIS ABSENT VOTER BALLOT APPLICATION ARE TRUE**

**SIGN HERE**

**X**

SIGNATURE OF ABSENT VOTER \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth

/ /

Phone No.

**NOTE:** Michigan law requires that Absent Voter Ballots be sent to your registered address unless you are hospitalized, institutionalized, or at an address outside of your community.

Complete the following **ONLY** if you want your ballot sent to an address outside of your community or to a hospital or other institution.  
**SEND ELECTION BALLOT TO:**

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_

Zip \_\_\_\_\_

### CLERK'S USE ONLY

Ward/Pct. \_\_\_\_\_

Mailed \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Ballot No. \_\_\_\_\_

Filed \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Returned \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk \_\_\_\_\_

Ward/  
Precinct



\_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF  
ELECTION



\_\_\_\_\_

Ballot No. \_\_\_\_\_

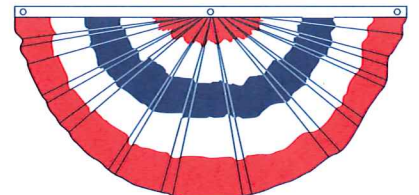
Voter No.  
(Poll Book) \_\_\_\_\_

Approved -

\_\_\_\_\_  
Election Inspector

**Thank you for applying for an absent voter ballot. We hope you will fully exercise your voting rights and participate in every upcoming election.**

**If you have any questions, please contact your city or township clerk.**



**INSTRUCTIONS FOR  
APPLICANTS FOR ABSENT VOTER BALLOTS**

- STEP 1.** After completely filling out the application, sign and date the application in the place designated. Your signature must appear on the application or you will not receive an absent voter ballot.
- STEP 2.** Deliver the application by one of the following methods:
- (a) Place the application in an envelope addressed to the appropriate clerk and place the necessary postage upon the return envelope and deposit it in the United States mail or with another public postal service, express mail service, parcel post service, or common carrier.
  - (b) Deliver the application personally to the clerk's office, to the clerk, or to an authorized assistant of the clerk.
  - (c) In either (a) or (b), a member of the immediate family of the voter including a father-in-law, mother-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, grandparent, or grandchild or a person residing in the voter's household may mail or deliver the application to the clerk for the applicant.
  - (d) If an applicant cannot return the application in any of the above methods, the applicant may select any registered elector to return the application. The person returning the application must sign and return the certificate below.

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**FILL OUT THIS BOTTOM PORTION ONLY IF YOU ARE ASSISTING A  
VOTER IN FILING THIS APPLICATION**

**Certificate of Authorized Registered Elector Returning Absent Voter Ballot Application**

I certify that my name is \_\_\_\_\_, my address is  
\_\_\_\_\_, and my date of birth is \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_;

that I am delivering the absent voter ballot application of \_\_\_\_\_  
at his or her request; that I did not solicit or request to return the application; that I have not made any  
markings on the application; that I have not altered the application in any way; that I have not influenced  
the applicant; and that I am aware that a false statement in this certificate is a violation of Michigan  
election law.

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

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*You must be a United States citizen to vote. If you are not a United States citizen, you will not be issued an absent voter ballot. A person making a false statement in this absent voter ballot application is guilty of a misdemeanor. It is a violation of Michigan election law for a person other than those listed in the above instructions to return, offer to return, agree to return, or solicit to return your absent voter ballot application to the clerk. An assistant authorized by the clerk who receives absent voter ballot applications at a location other than the clerk's office must have credentials signed by the clerk. Ask to see his or her credentials before entrusting your application with a person claiming to have the clerk's authorization to return your application.*