



What to Know About Voting by Mail in the General Election

HOW CAN I APPLY FOR A MAIL-IN BALLOT?

Registered voters can apply for a mail-in ballot one of the following ways:

- 1... Go to the Vote by Mail page at **VOTE.NJ.GOV** to download and print an Application for Vote by Mail Ballot. Then, mail or deliver your completed application to your County Clerk. To receive your ballot in the mail, your application must be received by your County Clerk **by Tuesday, October 28**.
- 2... Apply in person with your County Clerk **by 3:00 p.m. on Monday, November 3**. Find contact details for your County Clerk at **VOTE.NJ.GOV**.

HOW DO I COMPLETE MY MAIL-IN BALLOT?

Follow the instructions below, also found online on the Vote by Mail page at **VOTE.NJ.GOV**.

- 1...Look inside the envelope you receive in the mail for these items: the ballot, an inner envelope with an attached certificate and a mailing envelope.
- 2...Completely fill in the oval next to each of your selections in blue or black ink.
- 3...Fill in and sign the certificate, keeping it attached to the inner envelope.
- 4...Place the ballot into the certificate envelope.
- 5...Place the certificate envelope into the mailing envelope.

HOW CAN I RETURN MY MAIL-IN BALLOT?

It's as easy as **VOTE, SIGN, SEAL, RETURN**. There are 3 return options:

- 1... *Secure Ballot Drop Box*: Place your mail-in ballot in one of your county's secure ballot drop boxes **by 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 4**. Drop box locations can be found at **VOTE.NJ.GOV**.
- 2... *Board of Elections Office*: Deliver your mail-in ballot in person to your county's Board of Elections Office **by 8:00 p.m. on November 4**. County Election Officials' contact information can be found at **VOTE.NJ.GOV**.
- 3... *Mail*: Your mail-in ballot must be postmarked **on or before 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 4** and be received by your county's Board of Elections **on or before Monday, November 10**.

NOTE: Mail-in ballots CANNOT be returned to your early voting site or polling place.

CAN I TRACK MY BALLOT?

Yes, voters can track their mail-in ballot through the Track My Ballot Portal at **VOTE.NJ.GOV**. First-time users will need to create an account by following the instructions online.

HOW DO I REGISTER TO VOTE?

You must be registered by Tuesday, October 14 in order to vote in the Tuesday, November 4, 2025 General Election. Visit **VOTE.NJ.GOV** for online voter registration or to check your voter registration status.

WHAT IF I USUALLY VOTE BY MAIL BUT WANT TO VOTE IN PERSON INSTEAD?

If you usually vote by mail and would like to vote either during the early, in-person voting period or at your polling place on Election Day, **contact your County Clerk for opt-out deadlines and information**. Find contact details for your County Clerk at **VOTE.NJ.GOV**.

If you are registered to vote by mail in the 2025 General Election, you may cast a provisional ballot during early, in-person voting **or** on Election Day, which will be provided to you at your early voting location or polling place. If you choose to vote by provisional ballot during early, in-person voting or on Election Day, you should not complete and return your mail-in ballot as doing so will result in your provisional ballot being rejected. Learn more about provisional ballots at **VOTE.NJ.GOV**. If you no longer wish to receive a mail-in ballot, reach out to your County Clerk's office for more information.

To learn more, access our Voter Education Video Series at Vote.NJ.gov or scan here.



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