

## Voting Options:

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### Absentee Ballot

To qualify for an absentee ballot, you must:

- Be away from your city/town on Election Day; or
- Have a disability that keeps you from voting at your polling place; or
- Have a religious belief that prevents you from voting at your polling place on Election Day

Absentee voters use the same ballots as early voters and have the same deadlines for returning their ballots. Most voters who qualify for an absentee ballot can choose instead to apply for an early Vote by Mail ballot. There are some times that an absentee ballot application is needed. You should fill out an absentee ballot application if:

- You are a U.S. citizen residing overseas; or
- You are on active military duty; or
- You are currently incarcerated for a reason other than a felony conviction; or
- You are requesting an emergency absentee ballot due to hospitalization.

### Vote by Mail

Massachusetts voters now have the option to vote early by mail in all elections, with **no excuse required**. To request your Vote by Mail ballot, submit a signed application to your local election office.

In 2022, **Vote by Mail applications will be mailed in July and September** to every voter who hasn't already requested a mail-in ballot for the fall elections. These applications will be pre-addressed to your local election office **and postage pre-paid**.

Vote by Mail applications can also be downloaded or printed from our website.  
<https://www.sec.state.ma.us/ele/elepdf/Vote-by-Mail-Paper-Application-2022.pdf>

Applications can be submitted by mail, email, or fax. If you're emailing your application, you need to sign it in a way that can be compared to your hand-written signature. Electronic signatures, scanned applications, and photos of applications are acceptable. **Typed signatures cannot be accepted.**

### Application Deadlines

Any mail-in ballot must be requested in writing at least **5 business days before Election Day**.

#### Election

#### Application Deadline

September 6, 2022 State Primaries

5 p.m., Monday, August 29, 2022

November 8, 2022 State Election

5 p.m., Tuesday, November 1, 2022

Apply as early as possible. To ensure you receive your ballot with enough time to mail it back, you should apply 2-3 weeks before Election Day.

## **Returning your Ballot**

There are several options for returning your ballot. You may return your ballot by:

Mailing it back using the envelope provided; or

Hand-delivering your ballot to your local election office; or

Dropping your ballot off at an early voting location during early voting hours; or

Using a ballot drop box provided by your city or town.

**\*\*Ballots cannot be dropped off at a polling place on Election Day.**

## **Early Voting**

Early Voting is available to Massachusetts registered voters for state primaries, presidential primaries and state elections. Early voting is not available for local elections.

**No application or mailing necessary...just show up and vote!**

Dates: September 6th State Primary

Saturday, August 27, 2022      9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Monday, August 29, 2022      9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Tuesday, August 30, 2022      9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Wednesday, August 31, 2022      9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Thursday, September 1, 2022      9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Friday, September 2, 2022      9:00 AM - NOON

All early voting will take place in Town Hall. Enter via the side door near the Handicap Ramp.

**\*\*Once your ballot has been accepted by your local election office, you can't take your ballot back or vote on Election Day.**

## **VOTE on Election Day**

**Show up on Tuesday, September 6, 2022 and Vote in person !!**

Not sure if you are registered to vote?

You can click [HERE](https://www.sec.state.ma.us/voterregistrationsearch/myvoterregstatus.aspx) to check your status. <https://www.sec.state.ma.us/voterregistrationsearch/myvoterregstatus.aspx>