

UTAH

Absentee Voting Guide

FOR UNIFORMED SERVICES AND U.S. CITIZENS OVERSEAS

Website: www.elections.utah.gov

Link to state election website is also available through FVAP website at www.fvap.gov

Presidential Primary Date: February 5, 2008

State Primary Date: June 24, 2008

General Election Date: November 4, 2008

DEADLINES FOR UNIFORMED SERVICES*	Presidential Primary (or preference)	State Primary	General Election
Registration	February 1, 2008	June 20, 2008	October 31, 2008
Ballot Request	February 1, 2008	June 20, 2008	October 31, 2008
Ballot Return	February 12, 2008	July 8, 2008	November 18, 2008

DEADLINES FOR UNIFORMED SERVICES OUTSIDE THE U.S.*	Presidential Primary (or preference)	State Primary	General Election
Registration	January 16, 2008	June 4, 2008	October 15, 2008
Ballot Request	January 16, 2008	June 4, 2008	October 15, 2008
Ballot Return	February 12, 2008	July 8, 2008	November 18, 2008

DEADLINES FOR CIVILIANS OUTSIDE THE U.S.*	Presidential Primary (or preference)	State Primary	General Election
Registration	January 16, 2008	June 4, 2008	October 15, 2008
Ballot Request	January 16, 2008	June 4, 2008	October 15, 2008
Ballot Return	February 12, 2008	July 8, 2008	November 18, 2008

*Special conditions may apply; check the following pages for details.

State information is current as of September 2008. Check the state election website above, the FVAP Website at www.fvap.gov, or contact your Voting Assistance Officer for updates.

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Circled letters on the form below correspond to the instructions on the following page. You must complete all shaded areas.

FEDERAL POST CARD APPLICATION

REGISTRATION AND ABSENTEE BALLOT REQUEST - FEDERAL POST CARD APPLICATION (FPCA)

1. I REQUEST ABSENTEE BALLOTS FOR ALL ELECTIONS IN WHICH I AM ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AND I AM (mark only one):

- (a) A MEMBER OF THE UNIFORMED SERVICES OR MERCHANT MARINE ON ACTIVE DUTY, OR AN ELIGIBLE SPOUSE OR DEPENDENT
- (b) A U.S. CITIZEN RESIDING OUTSIDE THE U.S. TEMPORARILY
- (c) A U.S. CITIZEN RESIDING OUTSIDE THE U.S. INDEFINITELY

2. MY INFORMATION (Required)

a. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME (Last, First, Middle)				SUFFIX (Jr., Sr., III, etc.)	b. PREVIOUS NAME (if applicable)
c. SEX	d. RACE	e. DATE OF BIRTH	f. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER	g. STATE DRIVER'S LICENSE OR I.D. NUMBER	
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h. TELEPHONE NUMBER (No DSN number; include all international prefixes)			i. FAX NUMBER (No DSN number; include all international prefixes)		
j. EMAIL ADDRESS					

3. MY VOTING RESIDENCE ADDRESS (For military, use legal residence. For overseas citizens, use last legal residence in U.S.) (Required)

a. NUMBER AND STREET (Cannot be a P.O. Box)				
b. CITY, TOWN OR VILLAGE	B	c. COUNTY	d. STATE	e. ZIP CODE

4. WHERE TO SEND MY VOTING MATERIALS

a. MY CURRENT ADDRESS (Where I live now) (Required)	b. MY FORWARDING ADDRESS (Complete 4.b. only if you do not want your ballot mailed to the address in Block 4.a.)
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c. I PREFER TO RECEIVE MY ABSENTEE BALLOT, AS PERMITTED BY MY STATE, BY:	
D <input type="checkbox"/> MAIL <input type="checkbox"/> FAX <input type="checkbox"/> EMAIL	

5. MY POLITICAL PARTY PREFERENCE (Optional, but may be required by states to register to vote in primary elections):

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6. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (Designate the period for which you want to receive ballots — see instructions for Block 6 paragraph (3). Consult the Voting Assistance Guide for other specific state instructions.)

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7. AFFIRMATION (required)

I swear or affirm, under penalty of perjury, that:

1. I am a member of the Uniformed Services or merchant marine on active duty or an eligible spouse or dependent of such a member, or a U.S. citizen temporarily residing outside the U.S., or other U.S. citizen residing outside the U.S., and
2. I am a U.S. citizen, at least 18 years of age (or will be by the day of the election), eligible to vote in the requested jurisdiction, and
3. I have not been convicted of a felony or other disqualifying offense or been adjudicated mentally incompetent, or if so, my voting rights have been reinstated, and
4. I am not registering, requesting a ballot, or voting in any other jurisdiction in the U.S., and
5. My signature and date below indicate when I completed this document, and
6. The information on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

I understand that a material misstatement of fact in completion of this document may constitute grounds for conviction of perjury.

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Signed: _____ Date: _____ M M D D Y Y Y Y

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(Witness/Notary and address (if required))

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I. APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS FOR FPCA

The Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) is the primary form for requesting registration and/or an absentee ballot from your local election official. **Read all instructions printed below and on the FPCA before completing and signing your application.** Circled letters correspond to the circled letters on the sample form on the preceding page.

- A** **Block 2.f and 2.g:** The last four digits of your Social Security number or your Utah Driver's License is required for voter registration. If you do not possess either of these identifications, the State shall assign a number that will serve to identify you for voter registration purposes.
 - B** **Block 3.a through 3.e:** Provide the complete street address of your Utah voting residence. A post office box is not sufficient. If your address includes a rural route, describe its location in Block 6. For example: "on Highway _____, 2 miles past Highway _____, across the street from the _____ gas station." This address must be different from the one provided in Block 4 and must be within the county where you claim legal voting residence.
 - C** **Block 4.a:** Print the complete address where you want your ballot sent — usually your current mailing address. Your current mailing address must be different from the address you provided in Block 3.
 - D** **Block 4.c:** See Section II.D. or III.D.
 - E** **Block 5:** Provide your political party affiliation.
 - F** **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.
- Uniformed Service members refer to Section II.E for additional instructions.
- G** **Block 7:** You must sign and date the FPCA. By signing, you are swearing or affirming that the information is true and correct.

II. UNIFORMED SERVICES

These procedures apply to persons who are U.S. citizens, residents of Utah, military voters, and members of the commissioned corps of the Public Health Service and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

Under Utah law, military voters are defined as:

- members of the U.S. Armed Forces or merchant marine,
- civilian employees of the U.S. Government serving overseas,
- members of religious groups or welfare agencies officially attached to the Armed Forces overseas,
- spouses and dependents of the above.

A. Registering and Requesting an Absentee Ballot

You should send an FPCA to your local election official early every year and whenever you change your mailing address (see Chapter Two).

Registration is not required when using the FPCA to request ballots. When you return the voted ballot you will be registered.

If you are a member of the Armed Forces or merchant marine or a spouse or dependent of one of these and live in the U.S., the County Clerk must receive your FPCA not later than the Friday before the election.

If you are a voter as defined above and you live overseas, the County Clerk must receive your FPCA not later than 20 days before the election.

B. Casting Your Vote

Ballot Return Deadline: Voted ballot must be postmarked by the day before the election and received by the elections officer before noon on the day of the official canvass following the election.

Local election officials mail ballots to persons residing overseas not later than 30 days before the election.

If you have not received your state ballot in a timely manner, use the **Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot**. See instructions in Chapter Two.

C. Notary/Witness Requirements

No registration or voting materials are notarized or witnessed.

D. Electronic Transmission FPCAs and Ballots

- Utah allows you to send your FPCA for registration and ballot request by fax when you are in a hostile fire zone or other area where the mail service is unreliable and not sufficient to accommodate timely mail service. After faxing, submit the FPCA by mail.
- Utah allows you to receive the blank ballot by fax in the situations described above.
- Utah allows you to return the voted ballot by fax if you agree to waive the right to a secret ballot and affirm in

writing that you are currently deployed in a hostile fire zone or other area where the mail service is unreliable and not sufficient to accommodate timely mail service.

Please refer to Appendix B for specific instructions when transmitting election materials electronically. **Use the following numbers:**

DSN 223-5527
(703) 693-5527

1-800-368-8683

(from U.S., Canada, Guam, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands only)

International toll-free fax numbers
(See inside back cover)

E. Special Write-In Absentee Ballot

Utah provides a state special write-in absentee ballot to military voters who will be unable to vote by regular absentee ballot or in person because of military service. This special write-in ballot is only available for general elections.

The FPCA may be used to request this special write-in ballot. In **Block 6 of the FPCA** write: "I am unable to vote by regular absentee ballot or in person because of military service. I request a special write-in absentee ballot."

The special write-in ballot is available approximately 90 days before the general election but not later than 20 days before the election. It may be used to vote for Federal offices only. You may vote it by writing a party choice or the names of specific candidates.

F. Bars to Registration and Voting

Persons incarcerated for a felony conviction or persons found mentally incompetent may not register or vote, unless civil rights have been restored.

G. Action If Registration Is Denied

If registration is denied, consult a legal assistance officer or civilian counsel. Upon denial of your voter registration application or absentee ballot request, Utah shall provide you with the reason(s) for the rejection.

H. Late Registration

Any member of the Armed Forces, merchant marine or any civilian citizen who was discharged from overseas service or employment too late to meet the regular state registration deadline, may register to vote by filing an affidavit establishing his or her eligibility to vote with the County Clerk of his or her county of voting residence by noon on the day before the election.

III. CIVILIANS OUTSIDE U.S.

These procedures apply to persons who are U.S. citizens and residents of Utah, or overseas electors. The term

"overseas elector" means a U.S. citizen who resides outside the U.S. and (but for such residence) would be qualified to vote in Utah.

- Utah residents temporarily residing outside the U.S. (Consult Section B below for ballot type eligibility)
- Overseas citizens (for ballots for Federal offices only)

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If you are a Utah resident who resides outside the U.S. and wish to vote a ballot for local, state or Federal offices, the County Clerk must receive your FPCA request for a ballot no later than 20 days before the election.

B. Casting Your Vote

Ballot Return Deadline: Voted ballot must arrive at the County Clerk **before noon on the day of the official canvass following the election.** Postmark your voted ballot by the day before the election.

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IV. UNIFORMED SERVICES & CIVILIANS OUTSIDE U.S.

Where To Send It

Mail the FPCA to the **County Clerk**, county of voting residence, as listed below:

County	Mailing Address
Beaver	Beaver County Clerk PO Box 392 Beaver, UT 84713-0392
Box Elder	Box Elder County Clerk 01 S. Main Street Brigham City, UT 84302-2599
Cache	Cache County Clerk 179 North Main Street, Ste. 102 Logan, UT 84321-4567
Carbon	Carbon County Clerk 120 East Main Price, UT 84501-3057
Daggett	Daggett County Clerk PO Box 219 Manila, UT 84046-0219

County	Mailing Address
Davis	Davis County Clerk PO Box 618 Farmington, UT 84025-0618
Duchesne	Duchesne County Clerk PO Box 270 Duchesne, UT 84021-0270
Emery	Emery County Clerk PO Box 907 Castle Dale, UT 84513-0907
Garfield	Garfield County Clerk PO Box 77 Panguitch, UT 84759-0077
Grand	Grand County Clerk 125 E. Center Moab, UT 84532-2492
Iron	Iron County Clerk PO Box 429 Parowan, UT 84761-0429
Juab	Juab County Clerk 160 N. Main Nephi, UT 84648-1412
Kane	Kane County Clerk 76 North Main Kanab, UT 84741-0050
Millard	Millard County Clerk 765 S. Highway 99, Ste. 6 Fillmore, UT 84631-5002
Morgan	Morgan County Clerk PO Box 886 Morgan, UT 84050-0886
Piute	Piute County Clerk PO Box 99 Junction, UT 84740-0099
Rich	Rich County Clerk PO Box 218 Randolph, UT 84064-0218
Salt Lake	Salt Lake County Clerk 2001 S. State Street, #S1100 Salt Lake City, UT 84190-1051
San Juan	San Juan County Clerk PO Box 338 Monticello, UT 84535-0338
Sanpete	Sanpete County Clerk PO Box 100 Manti, UT 84642-0100
Sevier	Sevier County Clerk PO Box 607 Richfield, UT 84701-0607
Summit	Summit County Clerk PO Box 128 Coalville, UT 84017-0128
Tooele	Tooele County Clerk 47 So. Main Tooele, UT 84074-2194
Uintah	Uintah County Clerk 147 East Main Vernal, UT 84078-2643
Utah	Utah County Clerk 100 East Center, Room 3100 Provo, UT 84606-3106
Wasatch	Wasatch County Clerk 25 No. Main Heber City, UT 84032-1827
Washington	Washington County Clerk 197 E. Tabernacle Saint George, UT 84770-3473
Wayne	Wayne County Clerk PO Box 189 Loa, UT 84747-0189
Weber	Weber County Clerk 2380 Washington Boulevard, Ste. 320 Ogden, UT 84401-1456



A Small Choice With A Big Impact... Vote!

by SSgt Michael J. Johnson, USMC

