

# Arizona

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DEADLINES	Presidential Primary February 28, 2012	State Primary August 28, 2012	General Election November 6, 2012
Registration	7 pm, February 28, 2012	7 pm, August 28, 2012	7 pm, November 6, 2012
Ballot Request	7 pm, February 28, 2012	7 pm, August 28, 2012	7 pm, November 6, 2012
Ballot Return	7 pm, February 28, 2012	7 pm, August 28, 2012	7 pm, November 6, 2012

**These are not mailing deadlines. Mail your voting materials early enough to account for mail delivery times. Check the Recommended Mailing Dates below for details.**

Information is current as of May 2012. Check [www.fvap.gov](http://www.fvap.gov) for updates.

## Registering and Requesting Your Absentee Ballot

The Federal Post Card Application registers you to vote and requests absentee ballots for all elections through the next two regularly scheduled general elections. The registration deadline is different for recently discharged and military living in Arizona. Contact the Arizona Secretary of State at 1-877-THE-VOTE for more information.

### Complete the Following Blocks of the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA):

**Block 1:** Select the category that describes you.

**Block 2:** To vote in primary elections, you must enter your political party affiliation. If you are registered non-partisan, undeclared or with a political party not recognized in Arizona, you must indicate which recognized party ballot you want to receive. If you want to change your political party affiliation, submit a completed FPCA indicating your new party preference to the local election official no later than 7 pm on Election Day. Political party affiliation is not required if only requesting absentee ballots for general elections.

**Block 3:** Name (Last, First, Middle)

**Block 4:** Date of Birth

Your Arizona Driver's License number, Non-Operating Identification License number OR the last four digits of your Social Security number is required for voter registration. If you do not possess any of these identification numbers, the State shall assign a number that will serve to identify you for voter registration purposes.

**Block 5:** Recommended but not required. Provide your contact information to allow your local election official to follow up if more information is required.

**Block 6:** Arizona allows you to receive your ballot by mail, email, fax, or via Arizona's secured ballot upload system. Please rank your preference of how you would like to receive your absentee ballot. Provide your email address or fax number in Block 5. If you do not make a selection, then your local election official will mail your ballot to you.

**Blocks 7:** Complete street address of your Arizona voting residence. A post office box is not sufficient. If your address includes a rural route, describe its location in Block 9. For example, "2mi past Highway \_\_\_\_, across the street from the \_\_\_\_ gas station." This address must be within the county where you claim legal voting residence.

**Block 8:** Complete address where you want your ballot sent, usually where you live now.

**Block 9:** In addition to mailing a regular ballot, Arizona provides a State write-in early ballot which is available 36 days before the Presidential preference election, 60 days before all other primary elections and 50 days before the general election. This ballot allows you to vote for local, State and Federal offices. To request it, write in Block 6: "Due to military or other contingencies that preclude normal mail delivery, I cannot vote an early ballot during the normal early voting period. I request a special write-in early ballot."

Alternatively, you may request an early ballot online at [www.azsos.gov](http://www.azsos.gov).

**If you are not registered to vote in Arizona, or if you are registered and move to a different Arizona county, you must provide ONE of the following for proof of citizenship or your FPCA will be rejected:**

- Arizona Driver's License number or Non-Operating Identification License number issued after October 1, 1996.
- Alien Registration Number from Certificate of Naturalization.
- Indian Census Number, Bureau of Indian Affairs Card Number, Tribal Treaty Card Number, or Tribal Enrollment Number.
- A legible photocopy of a birth certificate that verifies citizenship and supporting legal documentation (i.e. marriage certificate) if the name on the birth certificate is not the same as your current legal name
- A legible photocopy of pertinent pages of a U.S. passport identifying the applicant
- A legible photocopy of a Driver's License or Non-Operating License from another State within the U.S. if the license indicates proof of citizenship
- A legible photocopy of a Tribal Certificate of Indian Blood or Tribal/Bureau of Indian Affairs Affidavit of birth

If you need to include a photocopy, mail or fax it along with your FPCA to your local election official. Do not send original documents. Photocopies will not be returned to you.

Provide any information that may assist the local election official in accepting this application.

**Affirmation:** Sign and date. No witness or notary required.

### **How and Where to Submit Your FPCA:**

Arizona allows you to submit the FPCA by mail or fax. For additional registration options go to [www.azsos.gov](http://www.azsos.gov).

If you choose to mail your FPCA, mail the form directly to your local election office. Addresses can be found at the end of this section.

If you choose to fax your FPCA, it is recommended that you fax the form directly to your local election official. Fax numbers can be found at <http://www.azsos.gov/election/county.htm>. You may also use the DoD Electronic Transmission Service to fax your FPCA toll-free. To use the Electronic Transmission Service, use the cover sheet available in Chapter 1 or at [www.fvap.gov](http://www.fvap.gov), and fax to: (703)693-5527, DSN 223-5527, or toll-free from the U.S., Canada, Guam, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands to 1-

800-368-8683. International toll-free numbers can be found on the inside back cover or at [www.fvap.gov](http://www.fvap.gov).

### **Follow-Up on Your FPCA**

To find out the status of your registration/absentee ballot request, contact your local election office or refer to Arizona's voter registration verification website at: <https://voter.azsos.gov>.

Your jurisdiction will contact you if your registration is denied.

### **Late Registration**

Arizona permits an overseas voter discharged from military service or overseas employment within 90 days of an election to register to vote up until 5 pm on the Friday before an election.

### **Arizona's Secure Ballot System**

Arizona also provides a secure ballot delivery system. To access the system go to <https://www.azsos.gov/election/military/default.aspx>. You can request an early ballot in one process through this system. To upload a voted ballot, you must have first been authorized by the county to utilize the system. You can obtain authorization from the county by requesting an early ballot through this system or by contacting your county directly.

### **Voting By Citizens Who Have Never Lived in the U.S.**

A U.S. citizen who has never resided in the U.S. and whose parent is qualified to vote in Arizona is eligible to register to vote and may vote in Arizona.

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## **Voting Your Ballot**

Local election officials mail ballots approximately 45 days before elections.

### **Voted Ballots must be received by the local election office by 7 pm on Election Day.**

No witness or notary is required on voted ballots.

You may return the voted ballot and signed affidavit by mail, fax, or Arizona's secure ballot upload system. Use FPCA mail and fax instructions under "How and Where to Submit Your FPCA." To use the secure ballot upload system, you must have received a user ID and password from your local election official.

Overseas uniformed service members and their family members with access to the Military Postal Service, may

use the “Prepaid Expedited Mail- Label 11-DOD”. This label is available at APO/FPO locations and can only be used for the general election. It provides expedited mail service up to seven days prior to the election. You can return your ballot with this label attached at any MPO/FPO, American embassy or consulate. A portion of the label is retained by you for tracking your ballot through the U.S. Postal Service.

### Tracking your Ballot

You may track the status of your ballot by contacting your county recorder. Contact information is available at: <https://www.azsos.gov/election/Military.htm>.

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## Recommended Mailing Dates for the November 2012 General Election

Send your FPCA by August 15, 2012 to ensure that you receive your ballot in time to vote and return it to be counted.

- Voters in Iraq, Afghanistan, ships at sea, and other overseas locations without access to the military postal system should send voted ballots by October 6, 2012
- Voters in other overseas military installations should send voted ballots by October 13, 2012
- Stateside Uniformed Service members and their families should send voted ballots by October 29, 2012.

If you do not receive your State absentee ballot by October 2, 2012, use the Federal Write-in Absentee Ballot. If you receive your State absentee ballot, vote and return it. If both ballots are received by the deadline, only the State ballot will be counted.

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## Haven't Received Your Ballot? Don't Wait Until It's Too Late. . . Use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot!

Arizona allows you to use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) for both registration and voting in primary, general, and special elections for Federal office. Feel free to use the FWAB to vote anytime before an election.

### Complete the Following Blocks of the FWAB's Voter Declaration/Affirmation:

**Block 1:** Arizona allows you to use this form for registration only if you are eligible to register and vote in the State, and if you provide proof of citizenship as described in the instructions for Block 6 of the FPCA.

If you need to include a photocopy, mail or fax it to your local election office along with your FWAB. Do not send original documents. Photocopies will not be returned to you.

**Block 2:** Select the category that describes you

**Block 3:** Name (Last, First, Middle)

**Block 4:** Date of Birth

Your Arizona Driver's License number, Non-Operating Identification License number OR the last four digits of your Social Security number is required for voter registration. If you do not possess any of these identification numbers, the State shall assign a number that will serve to identify you for voter registration purposes.

**Block 5:** Recommended but not required. Provide your contact information to allow your local election official to follow up if more information is required.

**Block 6:** If using this form to register, enter your political party affiliation or write undeclared or non-partisan. If you are a registered non-partisan or undeclared, you must indicate which party ballot you want to receive in the future.

**Blocks 7:** Complete street address of your Arizona voting residence. A post office box is not sufficient. If your address includes a rural route, describe its location in Block 9. For example, “2mi past Highway \_\_\_\_, across the street from the \_\_\_\_ gas station.” This address must be within the county where you claim legal voting residence.

**Block 8:** Enter your current mailing address.

**Block 9:** If you are using this form to register to vote in Arizona, or if you are registered and move to a different Arizona county, you must provide ONE of the following for proof of citizenship or your FWAB will be rejected:

- Arizona Driver's License number or Non-Operating Identification License number issued after October 1, 1996
- Alien Registration Number from Certificate of Naturalization
- Indian Census Number, Bureau of Indian Affairs Card Number, Tribal Treaty Card Number, or Tribal Enrollment Number
- A legible photocopy of a birth certificate that verifies citizenship and supporting legal documentation (i.e.

marriage certificate) if the name on the birth certificate is not the same as your current legal name

- A legible photocopy of pertinent pages of a U.S. passport identifying the applicant
- A legible photocopy of a Driver's License or Non-Operating License from another State within the U.S. if the license indicates proof of citizenship
- A legible photocopy of a Tribal Certificate of Indian Blood or Tribal/Bureau of Indian Affairs Affidavit of birth

If you need to include a photocopy, mail or fax it along with your FWAB to your local election official. Do not send original documents. Photocopies will not be returned to you.

Provide any information that may assist the local election official in accepting this application.

**Affirmation:** Sign and date. No witness or notary required.

### Vote Your FWAB:

To find out the races and candidates for which you can vote, go to [www.azsos.gov](http://www.azsos.gov). For each office for which you vote, write in either a candidate's name or a political party designation. Once the ballot is complete, fold and place it in the security envelope and seal. Place only the voted ballot in the security envelope and do not write on the security envelope.

### How and Where to Submit Your FWAB:

The deadlines for submitting the FWAB are the same as for regular State absentee ballots. If you receive the State ballot after submitting the voted FWAB, you may also vote and return the State ballot. If both ballots are received by the deadline, only the State ballot will be counted.

Arizona allows you to submit the FWAB by mail, fax, or Arizona's secure ballot upload system.

If you choose to mail your FWAB, insert the sealed security envelope and the Voter's Declaration/Affirmation into the mailing envelope and mail the form directly to your local election office. Addresses can be found below.

If you choose to fax your FWAB, it is recommended that you fax the form directly to your local election official. Fax numbers can be found at <http://www.azsos.gov/election/county.htm>. Include ballot, voter affirmation, and cover sheet with secrecy waiver. You may also use the DoD Electronic Transmission Service to fax your FWAB toll-free. To use the Electronic Transmission Service, use the cover sheet available in Chapter 1 or at [www.fvap.gov](http://www.fvap.gov), and fax to: (703)693-5527, DSN 223-5527, or toll-free from the U.S., Canada, Guam, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands to

1-800-368-8683. International toll-free numbers can be found on the inside back cover or at [www.fvap.gov](http://www.fvap.gov).

If you choose to submit your FWAB using Arizona's secured ballot upload system, you must have received a user id and password from your local election official. Local election official contact information can be found at: <http://www.azsos.gov/election/county.htm>.

## Local Election Office Contacts

County	Mailing Address
Apache	Apache County Recorder PO Box 425 Saint Johns, AZ 85936-0425 Fax: (928) 337-7676 Email: <a href="mailto:ghonea@co.apache.az.us">ghonea@co.apache.az.us</a>
Cochise	Cochise County Recorder 1415 Melody Lane, Building B Bisbee, AZ 85603-3037 Fax: (520) 432-8368 Email: <a href="mailto:recorder@co.cochise.az.us">recorder@co.cochise.az.us</a>
Coconino	Coconino County Recorder 110 East Cherry Avenue Flagstaff, AZ 86001-4627 Fax: (928) 679-7851 Email: <a href="mailto:ccelections@coconino.az.gov">ccelections@coconino.az.gov</a>
Gila	Gila County Recorder 1400 East Ash Street Globe, AZ 85501-1496 Fax: (928) 425-9270 Email: <a href="mailto:sdalton@co.gila.az.us">sdalton@co.gila.az.us</a>
Graham	Graham County Recorder 921 Thatcher Boulevard Safford, AZ 85546-2858 Fax: (928) 428-8828 Email: <a href="mailto:wjohn@graham.az.gov">wjohn@graham.az.gov</a>
Greenlee	Greenlee County Recorder PO Box 1625 Clifton, AZ 85533-1625 Fax: (928) 865-9332 Email: <a href="mailto:bmanuz@co.greenlee.az.us">bmanuz@co.greenlee.az.us</a>
La Paz	La Paz County Recorder 1112 Joshua Avenue, Suite 201 Parker, AZ 85344-5755 Fax: (928) 669-5638 Email: <a href="mailto:sbaker@co.la-paz.az.us">sbaker@co.la-paz.az.us</a>
Maricopa	Maricopa County Recorder 111 South 3rd Avenue, #103 Phoenix, AZ 85003-2225 Fax: (602) 506-3069 Email: <a href="mailto:milos@risc.maricopa.gov">milos@risc.maricopa.gov</a>
Mohave	Mohave County Recorder PO Box 7000 Kingman, AZ 86402-0070 Fax: (928) 718-4917 Email: <a href="mailto:erma.allen@co.mohave.az.us">erma.allen@co.mohave.az.us</a>
Navajo	Navajo County Recorder PO Box 668 Holbrook, AZ 86025-0668 Fax: (928) 524-4308 Email: <a href="mailto:laura.justman@co.navajo.az.us">laura.justman@co.navajo.az.us</a>
Pima	Pima County Recorder PO Box 3145 Tucson, AZ 85702-3145 Fax: (520) 623-1785 Email: <a href="mailto:recorder@recorder.pima.gov">recorder@recorder.pima.gov</a>
Pinal	Pinal County Recorder PO Box 848 Florence, AZ 85132 Fax: (520) 866-6872 Email: <a href="mailto:recorder@pinalcountyarizona.gov">recorder@pinalcountyarizona.gov</a>

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Santa Cruz	Santa Cruz County Recorder 2150 North Congress Drive Nogales, AZ 85621-1090 Fax: (520) 375-7996 Email: <a href="mailto:ssainz@co.santa-cruz.az.us">ssainz@co.santa-cruz.az.us</a>
Yavapai	Yavapai County Recorder 1015 Fair Street, Room 228 Prescott, AZ 86305-1852 Fax: (928) 771-3446 Email: <a href="mailto:web.voter.registration@co.yavapai.az.us">web.voter.registration@co.yavapai.az.us</a>
Yuma	Yuma County Recorder 410 South Maiden Lane # B Yuma, AZ 85364-2311 Fax: (928) 373-6624 Email: <a href="mailto:robyn.paquette@yumacountyaz.gov">robyn.paquette@yumacountyaz.gov</a>

