

2011 Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) Quick Reference Guide

The Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) was designed for absent uniformed service personnel and their family members, as well as all overseas U.S. citizens, who completed and submitted a Federal Post Card Applicant (FPCA) in a timely manner but may not receive their ballot in time to return it by their State's deadline.

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BLOCK 1

- Many States require applicants to have previously registered to vote and requested an absentee ballot
- If the applicant has not previously registered to vote and requested an absentee ballot, check the *Voting Assistance Guide* to see if the applicant's State allows the FWAB to be used as an application for voter registration and request for an absentee ballot

BLOCK 3

- Applicants should provide their full, legal name

BLOCK 5

- Encourage applicants to provide a telephone, fax number, and email address, which will help local election officials communicate with applicants to resolve any questions

BLOCK 7

- Each applicant must have a legal residence address in a State or territory to vote in U.S. elections. Use the *Voting Assistance Guide* to identify and contact the applicant's local election official with any issues of voting residence
- For a uniformed service member, the State on the Leave and Earnings statement is often the State of the applicant's legal residence address

BLOCK 9

- The applicant's State may require additional information in this box—consult the State directions in the *Voting Assistance Guide*

Declaration/Affirmation

Federal Write-in Absentee Ballot (FWAB) Voter's Declaration/Affirmation		A quicker, easier to complete, electronic version of this form is also available on FVAP.gov . For any questions about this form, consult your Voting Assistance Officer or the Voting Assistance Guide available in hard copy or on FVAP.gov . Please print in black ink.	
Qualifications & Voter Registration Many States require that you be registered and request an absentee ballot before using this form.	1	Have you already registered and requested an absentee ballot? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
		<input type="checkbox"/> I am a U.S. citizen residing outside the U.S., and I intend to return. <input type="checkbox"/> I am a U.S. citizen residing outside the U.S., and I do not intend to return. <input type="checkbox"/> I am a U.S. citizen otherwise granted military/overseas voting rights under State law (check the Voting Assistance Guide).	
Classification Make only 1 selection.	2		
Your legal name	3	Last name <u>Jones</u> Suffix <u>Sr</u> First name <u>James</u> Middle name <u>Larry</u> Previous name (if applicable)	
Identification Some States require your full SSN. Check your State's pages in the Voting Assistance Guide on FVAP.gov .	4	Sex <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F Race See Instructions Birth date <u>05/17/1987</u> State Driver's License or I.D. <u>XY-145257162</u> OR Social Security Number	
Contact information Include international prefixes. No DSN number.	5	Telephone <u>23-145-14-6789145</u> Fax <u>23-145-14-678327</u> Email <u>jj.pdf52@hawkstooth.com</u> Alternate Email	
Political party	6	To vote in primary elections, your State may require you to specify a political party. <u>Abcdef Party</u>	
U.S. address for voting purposes Usually your last U.S. residence or your legal U.S. residence. See instructions.	7	Street Address (not P.O. Box) <u>123 Maple Terrace</u> Apt. # City/Town/Village <u>Maywood</u> County <u>Somewhere</u> State <u>CA</u> Zip Code <u>90270-1037</u>	
Address where you live now This is different from above. Your voting materials will be sent here, unless you specify a forwarding address in Box 9.	8	<u>James Larry Jones</u> <u>USS FVAP</u> <u>FPO AE 54321</u>	
Additional requirements from your State Such as: mail forwarding address, additional phone, or other State required information. See your State's pages in the Voting Assistance Guide on FVAP.gov .	9	<u>Last date lived in Maywood Feb. 2009.</u>	
Affirmation (REQUIRED): I swear or affirm, under penalty of perjury, that: * 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 U.S. citizen temporarily residing outside the U.S., or other U.S. citizen residing outside the U.S., and - 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 - 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 - I am not registering, requesting a ballot, or voting in any other jurisdiction in the U.S., and - My application for a regular absentee ballot was mailed in time to be received by the local election official 30 days prior to this election, or the State deadline, whichever is later, and - I have not received the requested ballot, and - I understand that if my regular absentee ballot is received by the local election official in time to be counted, that ballot will be counted and this write-in ballot will be voided, and - I have voted and sealed this ballot in private and have not allowed any person to observe the marking of this ballot, except for those authorized to assist voters under State or Federal law and have not been influenced, and - I am a Uniformed Services member, or dependent, who is absent from my voting jurisdiction, or I am an overseas citizen and was submitted this ballot from outside the U.S., or my State has made special provisions to allow me to mail this ballot inside the U.S., and - My signature and date herein indicate when I completed this document, and - 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.			
This information is for official use only. Any unauthorized release may be punishable by law.		Signature <u>James L. Jones</u> send in. Today's Date <u>12/18/2011</u> Witness signature / date (required by your State. See Voting Assistance Guide on FVAP.gov) Signature _____ Date _____	

BLOCK 2

- Applicants should check the box that best describes their current situation

BLOCK 4

- Information on race is requested by some States, but an application will not be rejected if left blank
- Check the *Voting Assistance Guide* to see what identification is required by the applicant's State

BLOCK 6

- Political party preference is required in most States to participate in partisan primary elections
- Check the State requirements in the *Voting Assistance Guide* to properly enter a political party preference
- Applicants who do not want to be affiliated with a political party should enter, "no party"

BLOCK 8

- Applicants should enter their current mailing address

AFFIRMATION

- After reading the affirmation, have the applicant sign and date the form
- Remind applicants that by signing the FWAB, they are verifying their information under the penalty of perjury

The FWAB can also be completed using the online assistant at <https://www.fvap.gov/r3>

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BLOCK 1

- Uniformed service members and their dependents should check the first box

BLOCK 3

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- Political party preference is required in most States to participate in partisan primary elections
- Check the State requirements in the *Voting Assistance Guide*, to properly enter a political party preference
- Applicants who do not want to be affiliated with a political party should enter, "no party"

WARNING: Knowingly presenting false information in this application could result in criminal sanctions. Standard Form 186A (Rev. 10-2005)

VOTER'S DECLARATION/AFFIRMATION - FEDERAL WRITE-IN ABSENTEE BALLOT (FWAB)

1. a. I AM (Mark only one):

A MEMBER OF THE UNIFORMED SERVICES OR MERCHANT MARINE ON ACTIVE DUTY, OR AN ELIGIBLE SPOUSE OR DEPENDENT

A U.S. CITIZEN RESIDING OUTSIDE THE U.S. TEMPORARILY

A U.S. CITIZEN RESIDING OUTSIDE THE U.S. INDEFINITELY

1.b. I ALSO REQUEST VOTER REGISTRATION (where permitted by state law)

2. MY INFORMATION (Required)

a. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME (Last, First, Middle) *Jones, James Larry* SUFFIX (Jr., Sr., III, etc.) *Sr.* b. PREVIOUS NAME (if applicable)

c. SEX M F d. RACE e. DATE OF BIRTH (MMDDYYYY) *05171987* f. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER *- - - - -* g. STATE DRIVER'S LICENSE OR T.D. NUMBER *XY-145257162*

h. TELEPHONE NUMBER (No DSN number; include all international prefixes) *23-145-14-6789145* i. FAX NUMBER (No DSN number; include all international prefixes) *23-145-14-6768327*

j. EMAIL ADDRESS *jj.pdf52@hawkstooth.com*

3. MY VOTING RESIDENCE ADDRESS (Required) (Military, use legal residence. Overseas citizens, use last legal residence in U.S.)

a. NUMBER AND STREET (Cannot be a P.O. Box.) *123 Maple Terrace*

b. CITY, TOWN OR VILLAGE *Maywood* c. COUNTY *Somewhere* d. STATE *CA* e. ZIP CODE *90270-1037*

4. WHERE TO SEND MY VOTING MATERIALS

a. MY CURRENT ADDRESS (Where I live now) (Required) *Jones, James Larry*
USS FVAP
FPO AE 54321

b. MY FORWARDING ADDRESS (NOTE: Complete 4b. only if you do not want your ballot mailed to the address in Block 4a.)

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

6. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (Designate the period for which you want to receive future ballots. See instructions. Consult your state pages of the Voting Assistance Guide for additional information requested.)
Last date lived in Maywood Feb. 2009.

7. AFFIRMATION: (Required)
I swear or affirm, under penalty of perjury, that:

- 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
- 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
- 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
- I am not registering, requesting a ballot, or voting in any other jurisdiction in the U.S., and
- My application for a regular absentee ballot was mailed in time to be received by the local election official 30 days prior to this election, or the state deadline, whichever is later, and
- I have not received the requested ballot, and
- I understand that if my regular absentee ballot is received by the local election official in time to be counted, that ballot will be counted and this write-in ballot will be voided, and
- I have voted and sealed this ballot in private and have not allowed any person to observe the marking of this ballot, except for those authorized to assist voters under state or Federal law and I have not been influenced, and
- I am a Uniformed Services member, or dependent, who is absent from my voting jurisdiction, or I am an overseas citizen and have submitted this ballot from outside the U.S., or my state has made special provisions to allow me to mail this ballot inside the U.S., and
- My signature and date below indicate when I completed this document, and
- 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.

Signed: *James L. Jones* Date: *12182011* Signed: _____ Date: _____
(MMDDYYYY) (MMDDYYYY)

The information contained herein is for official use only. Any unauthorized release of this information may be punishable by law.

BLOCK 2

- Information on race (d) is requested by some States, but a ballot will not be rejected if left blank
- Encourage voters to provide a telephone, fax number, and email, which will help local election officials communicate with voters to resolve any questions

BLOCK 4

- Applicants should enter their current mailing address
- Complete the forwarding address if the voter wants the ballot mailed somewhere other than his current address
- Check the *Voting Assistance Guide* to see which States permit faxing or emailing of the ballot

BLOCK 6

- The voter's State also may require additional information in this box—consult the State directions in the *Voting Assistance Guide*

BLOCK 7

- After reading the affirmation, have the voter sign and date the ballot
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