

West Virginia

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DEADLINES	Presidential Primary May 8, 2012	State Primary May 8, 2012	General Election November 6, 2012
Registration	April 17, 2012	April 17, 2012	October 16, 2012
Ballot Request	May 2, 2012	May 2, 2012	October 31, 2012
Ballot Return	May 14, 2012	May 14, 2012	November 13, 2012

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

Information is current as of July 2012. Check www.fvap.gov for updates.

Registering and Requesting Your Absentee Ballot

The Federal Post Card Application submitted prior to November 4, 2008 and prior to October 28, 2009 registers you to vote and requests absentee ballots for all subsequent Federal elections held through the next two regularly scheduled general elections. After October 28, 2009 the Federal Post Card Application registers you to vote and requests absentee ballots for all regularly scheduled Federal elections for the calendar year in which it is submitted.

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

Block 1: Select the category that describes you.

Block 2: To automatically vote in primary elections, you must enter your political party affiliation. If you are registered non-partisan or undeclared, you must indicate which 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 21 days prior to the election. 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 valid West Virginia Driver's License or Non-Driver ID Card number or the last four digits of your Social Security number is required for voter registration. If you do not possess either 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: West Virginia allows you to receive your absentee ballot by mail, email or fax. Please rank your preference of how you would like to receive your absentee ballot. Provide your fax number or email address in Block 5. If you do not make a selection, then your local election official will decide how to transmit your ballot to you.

Block 7: Complete street address of your West Virginia voting residence. A post office box is not sufficient. If your address includes a rural route, describe its location in Block 9. 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: 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:

West Virginia allows you to submit the FPCA by mail, email, or fax. However, if you are using the FPCA to register to vote you must mail the original to the County Clerk.

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 email your FPCA, you should send the form as a signed, scanned attachment. Email directly to your local election office. Email addresses can be found at

<http://www.sos.wv.gov/public-services/contacts/Pages/ClerkCountyComm.aspx>.

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.sos.wv.gov/public-services/contacts/Pages/ClerkCountyComm.aspx>. 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, 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

Follow-Up on Your FPCA

To find out the status of your registration/absentee ballot request, contact your local election office or refer to West Virginia's voter registration verification website at: <http://apps.sos.wv.gov/elections/voter/am-i-registered.aspx>.

Your jurisdiction will contact you if your registration is denied.

Late Registration

Uniformed service members, overseas citizens whose employment supports national security functions or purposes, and their family members residing with them who are returning to West Virginia may register to vote in person in the twenty days immediately preceding an election with the proper documentation.

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

A U.S. citizen who was born abroad and who is eligible to vote and who has never lived in the U.S. may register and vote in the county where either parent would be eligible to vote.

Voting Your Ballot

Local election officials send absentee ballots approximately 46 days before elections.

Voted ballots with an official postmark must be received by the local election no later than 5 business days (excluding Sunday) after general, special and primary elections. Mailed ballots with no postmark must be received by the local election official by the day after Election Day. Ballots returned by email or fax must be received by the close of polls on Election Day.

No witness or notary is required on voted ballots.

You may return the voted ballot by mail, email or fax. Use FPCA instructions under "How and Where to Submit Your FPCA."

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

To track the status of your ballot use the instructions and link provided with the ballot that is sent to you.

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.

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

West Virginia allows you to use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) for voting in primary, general, and special elections for local, State and Federal offices as well as non-candidate ballot issues. If you are registered and have requested your absentee ballot, 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: West Virginia does not allow you to use this form to register. Do not check the registration box.

Block 2: Select the category that describes you.

Block 3: Name (Last, First, Middle)

Block 4: Date of Birth

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: Enter your political party affiliation or write undeclared or non-partisan if you are voting in a primary election. Non-partisan voters may vote in a party primary election, subject to party rules.

Block 7: Complete street address of your West Virginia voting residence. A post office box is not sufficient. If your address includes a rural route, describe its location in Block 9. This address must be within the county where you claim legal voting residence.

Block 8: Enter your current mailing address.

Block 9: Provide any information that may assist the local election official in accepting this ballot or application.

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

Vote Your FWAB:

Vote for any local, State or Federal office in a primary, general or special election. To find out the races and candidates for which you can vote, go to www.wvsos.com. 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 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.

West Virginia allows you to submit the FWAB by mail, email or fax. See instructions for returning a voted ballot.

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 ballot directly to your local election office. Addresses can be found on the following page.

If you choose to email your FWAB you should send the form as a signed, scanned attachment. Email directly to your local election office. Email addresses can be found at <http://www.sos.wv.gov/public-services/contacts/Pages/ClerkCountyComm.aspx>.

If you choose to fax your FWAB, it is recommended that you fax the ballot directly to your local election official. Fax numbers and email addresses can be found at www.wvsos.com. 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, 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.

Local Election Office Addresses

County	Mailing Address
Barbour	Barbour Clerk of the County Commission 8 North Main Street Philippi, WV 26416-1140 Fax: 304-457-5983 Email: barbourcounty@wvsos.com
Berkeley	Berkeley Clerk of the County Commission 100 West King Street Martinsburg, WV 25401-3210 Fax: 304-260-4882 Email: berkeleyco@wvsos.com
Boone	Boone Clerk of the County Commission 200 State Street Madison, WV 25130-1189 Fax: 304-369-7329 Email: boonecounty@wvsos.com
Braxton	Braxton Clerk of the County Commission PO Box 486 Sutton, WV 26601-1313 Fax: 304-765-2093 Email: braxtoncounty@wvsos.com
Brooke	Brooke Clerk of the County Commission 201 Courthouse Square Wellsburg, WV 26070-0474 Fax: 304-737-4023 Email: brookecounty@wvsos.com
Cabell	Cabell Clerk of the County Commission 750 5th Avenue, Suite 300 Huntington, WV 25701-0545 Fax: 304-526-8632 Email: mmiller2@cabellcountyclerk.org

County	Mailing Address
Calhoun	Calhoun Clerk of the County Commission PO Box 230 Grantsville, WV 26147-0266 Fax: 304-354-6725 Email: calhouncounty@wvsos.com
Clay	Clay Clerk of the County Commission PO Box 190 Clay, WV 25403-0129 Fax: 304-587-7329 Email: claycounty@wvsos.com
Doddridge	Doddridge Clerk of the County Commission 118 East Court Street, Room 102 West Union, WV 26546-1297 Fax: 304-873-1840 Email: doddridgecounty@wvsos.com
Fayette	Fayette Clerk of the County Commission PO Box 569 Fayetteville, WV 25840-1517 Fax: 304-574-4335 Email: fayettecounty@wvsos.com
Gilmer	Gilmer Clerk of the County Commission 10 Howard Street Glenville, WV 26351-1246 Fax: 304-462-8855 Email: gilmercounty@wvsos.com
Grant	Grant Clerk of the County Commission 5 Highland Avenue Petersburg, WV 26847-1795 Phone: 304-257-4550 Fax: 304-647-6694 Email: grantcounty@wvsos.com
Greenbrier	Greenbrier Clerk of the County Commission 200 North Court Street Lewisburg, WV 24901-0751 Fax: 304-647-6694 Email: greenbriercounty@wvsos.com
Hampshire	Hampshire Clerk of the County Commission 66 North High Street Romney, WV 26757-1696 Fax: 304-822-4039 Email: estrite@hampshirecountywv.org
Hancock	Hancock Clerk of the County Commission PO Box 367 New Cumberland, WV 26047-0428 Fax: 304-564-5941 Email: hancockcounty@wvsos.com
Hardy	Hardy Clerk of the County Commission 204 Washington Street Moorefield, WV 26836-1155 Fax: 304-530-0251 Email: hardycounty@wvsos.com
Harrison	Harrison Clerk of the County Commission 301 West Main Street Clarksburg, WV 26301-2967 Fax: 304-624-8575 Email: harrisoncounty@wvsos.com
Jackson	Jackson Clerk of the County Commission PO Box 800 Ripley, WV 25271-0427 Fax: 304-372-1107 Email: jeff.waybright@jacksoncountywv.com
Jefferson	Jefferson Clerk of the County Commission PO Box 208 Charles Town, WV 25414-1072 Fax: 304-728-1957 Email: jeffersoncounty@wvsos.com
Kanawha	Kanawha Clerk of the County Commission 415 Quarrier Street Charleston, WV 25301-2500 Fax: 304-357-0588 Email: vote@kanawha.us
Lewis	Lewis Clerk of the County Commission PO Box 466 Weston, WV 26452-0069 Fax: 304-269-8202 Email: lewiscounty@wvsos.com

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Lincoln	Lincoln Clerk of the County Commission PO Box 497 Hamlin, WV 25523-1419 Fax: 304-824-2444 Email: lincolncounty@wvsos.com
Logan	Logan Clerk of the County Commission 300 Stratton Street Logan, WV 25601-3939 Fax: 304-792-8621 Email: logancounty@wvsos.com
Marion	Marion Clerk of the County Commission PO Box 1267 Fairmont, WV 26554-1269 Fax: 304-367-5448 Email: janicecosco@marioncountywv.com
Marshall	Marshall Clerk of the County Commission PO Box 459 Moundsville, WV 26041-2129 Fax: 304-845-5891 Email: elections@marshallcountywvclerk.com
Mason	Mason Clerk of the County Commission 200 6th Street Point Pleasant, WV 25550-1131 Fax: 304-675-2521 Email: masoncounty@wvsos.com
McDowell	McDowell Clerk of the County Commission 90 Wyoming Street, Suite 109 Welch, WV 24801-0400 Fax: 304-436-8576 Email: mcdowellcounty@wvsos.com
Mercer	Mercer Clerk of the County Commission 1501 West Main Street Princeton, WV 24740-2626 Fax: 304-487-9842 Email: mercercounty@wvsos.com
Mineral	Mineral Clerk of the County Commission 150 Armstrong Street Keyser, WV 26726-3597 Fax: 304-788-4109 Email: mineralcounty@wvsos.com
Mingo	Mingo Clerk of the County Commission PO Box 1197 Williamson, WV 25661-0435 Fax: 304-235-0565 Email: mingocounty@wvsos.com
Monongalia	Monongalia Clerk of the County Commission 243 High Street Morgantown, WV 26505-5427 Fax: 304-291-7233 Email: elections@monongaliacountyclerk.com
Monroe	Monroe Clerk of the County Commission PO Box 350 Union, WV 24983-0350 Fax: 304-772-4191 Email: monroecounty@wvsos.com
Morgan	Morgan Clerk of the County Commission 77 Fairfax Street Berkeley Springs, WV 25411-1501 Fax: 304-258-8545 Email: morgancounty@wvsos.com
Nicholas	Nicholas Clerk of the County Commission 700 Main Street, Suite 2 Summersville, WV 26651-1489 Fax: 304-872-9600 Email: nicholascounty@wvsos.com
Ohio	Ohio Clerk of the County Commission 1500 Chapline Street, Room 215 Wheeling, WV 26003-3592 Fax: 304-234-3827 Email: ohiocomm@aol.com
Pendleton	Pendleton Clerk of the County Commission PO Box 1167 Franklin, WV 26807-0089 Fax: 304-358-2473 Email: pendletoncounty@wvsos.com
Pleasants	Pleasants Clerk of the County Commission 301 Court Lane, Room 101 St. Marys, WV 26170-1317 Fax: 304-684-7569 Email: pleasantscounty@wvsos.com

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Pocahontas	Pocahontas Clerk of the County Commission 900-C 10th Avenue Marlinton, WV 24954-1394 Fax: 304-799-6947 Email: pocahontascounty@wvsos.com
Preston	Preston Clerk of the County Commission Preston County Courthouse Annex 106 West Main Street, Suite 103 Kingwood, WV 26537-1127 Fax: 304-329-0198 Email: prestoncounty@wvsos.com
Putnam	Putnam Clerk of the County Commission 3389 Winfield Road Winfield, WV 25213-0358 Fax: 304-204-1408 Email: putnamcounty@wvsos.com
Raleigh	Raleigh Clerk of the County Commission 215 Main Street Beckley, WV 25801 Fax: 304-255-9352 Email: raleighcounty@wvsos.com
Randolph	Randolph Clerk of the County Commission 2 Randolph Avenue Elkins, WV 26241-4099 Fax: 304-636-0544 Email: randolphcounty@wvsos.com
Ritchie	Ritchie Clerk of the County Commission 115 East Main Street, Room 201 Harrisville, WV 26362-1271 Fax: 304-643-2906 Email: ritchiecounty@wvsos.com
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Summers	Summers Clerk of the County Commission 120 Ballengee Street Hinton, WV 25951-1058 Fax: 304-466-7146 Email: summerscounty@wvsos.com
Taylor	Taylor Clerk of the County Commission 214 West Main Street Grafton, WV 26354-1387 Fax: 304-265-5450 Email: taylorcounty@wvsos.com
Tucker	Tucker Clerk of the County Commission 215 First Street Parsons, WV 26287-1235 Fax: 304-478-2217 Email: tuckercounty@wvsos.com
Tyler	Tyler Clerk of the County Commission PO Box 66 Middlebourne, WV 26149-0008 Fax: 304-758-2126 Email: tylercounty@wvsos.com
Upshur	Upshur Clerk of the County Commission 38 West Main Street Buckhannon, WV 26201-2259 Fax: 304-472-1029 Email: upshurcounty@wvsos.com
Wayne	Wayne Clerk of the County Commission PO Box 248 Wayne, WV 25570-0038 Fax: 304-272-5318 Email: waynecounty@wvsos.com
Webster	Webster Clerk of the County Commission 2 Court Square Webster Springs, WV 26288-1095 Fax: 304-847-5780 Email: webstercounty@wvsos.com
Wetzel	Wetzel Clerk of the County Commission PO Box 156 New Martinsville, WV 26155-0263 Fax: 304-455-5256 Email: wetzelcounty@wvsos.com

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Wood	Wood Clerk of the County Commission #1 Court Square Parkersburg, WV 26101-5353 Fax: 304-424-1982 Email: woodcounty@wvsos.com
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