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Frequently Asked Questions

Q - Can I fax/email my application or ballot?

A - No. Not at this time. Under NJ law voters can only mail or fill out an application in person (Unless you are a Military/Overseas voter).

Q - Is there a deadline for Vote By Mail Applications?

A - Yes. Applications by mail must be received at least 7 days before Election Day for a ballot to be mailed to you. However, voters can obtain ballots in person beginning 45 days before an election until 3:00 pm the day before the election.

Q - Is there a deadline for returning Vote By Mail Ballots?

A - Yes. Your voted Mail-in ballot must be received by the County Board of Elections before the close of polls on Election Day.

Q - If I apply, receive, and return a Vote By Mail Ballot, can I still vote at the polls?

A - No. However, if you did not receive, or did not return your issued ballot, you may vote by provisional ballot at the polls.

Q - If I vote by mail, will my ballot be counted?

A - Yes. All votes are counted and included in the official results.

Q - Can I apply for another voter?

A - NO. Registered voters MUST apply for and sign their own Vote By Mail application. However, they may receive assistance in filling out and delivering the application. The assistor must complete Section 11 of the application and sign where indicated.



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Voting in New Jersey is easier than ever. All registered voters can Vote By Mail. It allows you to vote without going to the polls on Election Day. **No waiting. No long lines.** In fact, **voters can start voting 45 days before an election** - expanding the opportunity to cast your ballot without being limited to Election Day.

Many NJ County Clerk Offices offer Vote By Mail access at more than one location, in addition to expanded office hours prior to an election.

Numerous County Clerks offer postage-paid applications as well as postage-free ballot mailing, so in some cases you never even have to leave your home to vote. And no more worries

about mailing costs, inclement weather, working hours on Election Day, vacations, sudden illness, being out of state, at college or traveling - or even driving to your polling place.

You even have **the option of obtaining a Vote By Mail Ballot for more than one election** to ensure that you don't miss an opportunity to have your voice heard.

Numerous, **easy options** are available to obtain a Vote By Mail Ballot from your County Clerk:

- ◆ **Call your County Clerk** and simply ask to have a Vote By Mail Ballot Application mailed to your address.
- ◆ **Go online, download the application from your County Clerk's website** and mail to your County Clerk. (A list of all 21 NJ County Clerks' phone numbers & websites are printed in this brochure).
- ◆ **Apply in person** at your County Clerk's Office. If you apply in person 45 days or less prior to an election, you can obtain your ballot while you wait. Many County Clerk Offices offer evening and weekend voting hours prior to an Election.

Once you obtain an application, simply complete it and sign where indicated. Return it to the County Clerk who will issue you a ballot. After you have voted your ballot, either personally return it or mail it back to your County Board of Elections.

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