DEPARTMENT DIRECTIVE

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.01 Purpose.

The purpose of this directive is to establish and maintain election and voting policy and procedure for use within the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services (Department) correctional facilities.

.02 Scope.

This policy applies to all Department correctional facilities with incarcerated individuals who may be eligible to vote in accordance with Election Law Article, §3-102, Annotated Code of Maryland, as well as to all correctional facilities from which an incarcerated individual may be released.

.03 Policy.

It is the policy of the Department to work collaboratively with the State Board of Elections (State Board) and all local boards of elections (local boards) in jurisdictions where Department

correctional facilities are located to ensure that an incarcerated individual:

A. In the custody of the Department, who is currently in a pretrial status, sentenced to imprisonment for a misdemeanor, or convicted of a felony who is not yet serving a sentence for the felony, is informed of the right and given the opportunity to vote in local, State, and federal elections; and

B. Serving a sentence for a felony is informed that the incarcerated individual's voting rights will be restored upon release from a Department correctional facility. The individual shall be provided with a voter registration application when released, in accordance with the procedures established in OPS.230.0005—Release Procedures.

.04 Definitions.

A. In this directive, the following terms have the meanings indicated.

B. Terms Defined.

(1) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Correction and the Commissioner of Pretrial Detention and Services.

(2) "Correctional facility" has the meaning stated in Correctional Services Article, §1-101, Annotated Code of Maryland: "'Correctional facility' means a facility that is operated for the purpose of detaining or confining adults who are charged with or found guilty of a crime."

(3) "Designated election official" means an employee or an individual designated by the State Board, or a local board, to collect an incarcerated individual's voter registration application, mail-in ballot request form, completed ballot, and any other official election document.

(4) "Director" means the Director of Patuxent Institution.

(5) "Election cycle" means the period beginning on the day after the previous general election and ending on the day of the next general election.

(6) Eligible incarcerated individual.

(a) "Eligible incarcerated individual" means a United States citizen, Maryland resident, and an incarcerated individual in a Department correctional facility, who is:

(i) Being held in a pretrial status; or

(ii) Serving a sentence of imprisonment for a misdemeanor offense(s).

(b) "Eligible incarcerated individual" includes the meaning of "eligible voter" as stated in Election Law Article, §1-303.1, Annotated Code of Maryland.

(c) "Eligible incarcerated individual" does not include an individual convicted of a felony and currently serving a sentence of imprisonment for that felony in a Department correctional facility, or who is otherwise ineligible to vote under Maryland law.

(7) Incarcerated Individual.

(a) "Incarcerated individual" has the meaning stated in Correctional Services Article, §1-101, Annotated Code of Maryland which states, "'Incarcerated individual' means an

individual who is actually or constructively detained or confined in a correctional facility."

(b) "Incarcerated individual" includes the term "inmate" as stated prior to October 1, 2023 in Correctional Services Article, §1-101, Annotated Code of Maryland.

(c) "Incarcerated individual" includes the term "incarcerated person".

(8) "Managing official" has the meaning stated in Correctional Services Article, §1-101, Annotated Code of Maryland: "'Managing official' means the administrator, director, warden, superintendent, sheriff, or other individual responsible for the management of a correctional facility."

(9) "Misdemeanor" means a crime not declared by the Maryland General Assembly to be a felony.

(10) "Pretrial Status" refers to the period of time between the filing of criminal charges against a defendant and the disposition of the charges by the court that has jurisdiction over the defendant.

(11) Voting information packet (voting packet).

(a) "Voting information packet" has the meaning stated in COMAR 33.01.07.01.

(b) "Voting information packet" is a packet of documents provided by the State Board to eligible incarcerated individuals, which contains:

(i) A Voter Registration Application (VRA) with a foldable, postage-paid mailer on the reverse side;

(ii) A Mail-In Ballot Request form (MIBR) with a, postage-paid envelope; and

(iii) The applicable instructions for each form.

.05 Responsibilities.

A. Office of the Secretary.

(1) The Department's Office of Data Development shall provide the number of eligible incarcerated individuals in each Department correctional facility to the State Board on or before each of the following dates:

(a) December 15 of the year preceding a presidential election year;

(b) February 1 of a gubernatorial (governor) election year;

(c) July 1 of each even numbered year; and

(d) In the event of a special election, no later than sixty (60) days before the deadline date to submit a VRA to vote in the special election.

(2) The lists of eligible incarcerated individuals identified in §.05A(1) of this directive shall be forwarded to the Commissioner of Correction, Commissioner of Pretrial Detention and Services, and Director of Patuxent Institution to be disseminated to the managing official of each correctional facility.

(3) Following the delivery of the first eligible incarcerated individual list for a new election cycle, an updated list of eligible incarcerated individuals shall be made available to the managing officials at least six times a year on the DOC (X): drive in the "Eligible Voters" folder until the election cycle is complete.

B. Commissioners and Director.

(1) Each Commissioner and the Director shall designate one managing official from Baltimore City and each county where a Department correctional facility is located, to arrange and carry out the required background investigations for designated election officials assigned to collect VRAs, MIBRs, and ballots.

(2) The Director of Patuxent Institution shall designate one managing official from the facility to ensure that the background investigations are complete for designated election officials assigned by the local board in Howard County.

C. Managing Officials.

(1) The managing official shall designate one individual to be the primary contact person for the local board's designated election officials.

(2) For each election cycle, a managing official or designee shall:

(a) Ensure that time-sensitive election notices, deadlines, and promotional information provided by the State Board are posted in incarcerated individual housing and recreation areas to advise incarcerated individuals of the:

(i) Voter eligibility requirements;

(ii) Right to request a VRA and MIBR; and

(iii) Deadlines for returning a VRA, MIBR, and ballot to the correct local board.

(b) Access the DOC drive X:\Eligible Voters to retrieve the most recent eligible incarcerated individual list for the managing official's facility;

(c) Receive and distribute the voting packets to eligible incarcerated individuals:

(i) Within 3 business days of receipt from the State Board; and

(ii) No later than 3 business days after the initial classification process is completed, if an eligible incarcerated individual was processed for intake after dissemination of voting packets received in §.05C(2)(a); or

(iii) Upon request.

(d) Store the State Board voting packets in a secure location prior to distribution to eligible incarcerated individuals and any extra packets that remain after distribution;

(e) Immediately notify the State Board if a facility needs additional voting packets; and

(f) Ensure that outgoing election mail is postmarked on the day it was initially received by a Department employee for delivery to the facility's mailroom.

(3) The managing official or designee shall ensure that:

(a) Restoration of voting rights notices are posted throughout the facility to inform ineligible incarcerated individuals that upon release they may be eligible to register to vote; and

(b) A VRA and information about the restoration of voting rights is included in every incarcerated individual's release envelope in accordance with OPS.230.0005—Release Procedures.

(4) The managing official or designee shall:

(a) Designate non-custody staff identified in §.06C(2) to:

(i) Assist an incarcerated individual to complete a VRA; and

(ii) Assist an eligible incarcerated individual to complete a MIBR and ballot.

(b) Provide designated staff with:

(i) Training to ensure that designated staff are knowledgeable of the voting procedures;

(ii) *Guidelines for DPSCS Support Staff Helping an Individual who is in the Custody of the Department to Participate in the Electoral Process* (Appendix A); and

(iii) *The State Board's Voter Registration Volunteer Training and Information Guide* (Appendix B).

(c) Review the State Board's *Ballot Drop Boxes: Chain of Custody Procedures for Removal & Return of Election Materials* (Appendix C) and work with local boards to facilitate the collection of VRAs, MIBRs, and ballots;

(d) Make available to incarcerated voters the nonpartisan information created by the SBE about electoral candidates and ballot contents as described in § .05D(1) of this directive;

(e) Provide sufficient time and resources to escort eligible incarcerated individuals to official ballot boxes in order to deposit completed VRAs, MIBRs, and ballots;

(f) Ensure the safety and security of designated election officials entering the facilities to collect VRAs, MIBRs, and ballots; and

(g) Ensure the security and integrity of the official ballot boxes.

(5) A managing official shall ensure that a mail-in ballot sent from the State or local board to an eligible incarcerated individual is received and delivered in accordance with the procedures for distribution of legal mail as established in Executive Directive OPS.250.0001 – Inmate Mail – Mail Room Procedures.

D. State Board—Notifications and Responsibilities.

(1) The State Board shall:

(a) Provide informational posters and flyers that explain voter eligibility requirements and restoration of voting rights (Appendices D, F1 and F2);

(b) Provide voting packets to each Department correctional facility at least thirty (30)

days before the deadline to submit a VRA for a primary, general, or special election;

(c) Provide instructions for completion of the VRA, MIBR, and at least thirty (30) days before the deadline to submit a VRA for a primary, general, or special election;

(d) Provide nonpartisan information about electoral candidates and ballot contents to each Department correctional facility; and

(e) If a local board declines to collect completed VRAs, MIBRs, and ballots placed in a facility's official ballot box, provide a designated election official to collect the contents of each official ballot box within the facility on and before the deadline dates.

(2) At the beginning of each election cycle, but not later than March 1 of each even year, the State Board shall provide the Department's Assistant Secretary of Programs and Reentry Services with the:

(a) Contact information and mailing addresses for each local board within Maryland;

(b) Specific deadline dates for the return of a completed VRA to the local board;

(c) Specific deadline dates for the return of a completed MIBR to the local board; and

(d) Specific deadline dates for the return of a completed ballot to the local board.

(3) The State Board shall work with local boards and State Board contractors to ensure that VRAs, MIBRs, and ballots deposited into a correctional facility's official ballot box are collected on or before the specified deadline dates.

.06 Procedures.

A. Eligible Incarcerated Individuals.

(1) An eligible incarcerated individual shall be offered a voting packet.

(2) Before receiving a voting packet, an eligible incarcerated individual shall present their incarcerated individual identification card to the managing official or designee, verify their registered name, sign, and date the Voting Packet Form Log indicating receipt of the voting packet.

(3) Any incarcerated individual may request and shall receive a voting packet even if staff believes that the incarcerated individual may be ineligible to register to vote or a deadline for submission has been missed. The State Board shall determine whether an individual is eligible to register as a Maryland voter.

(4) Except as provided in §.06C of this directive, before each applicable deadline, an eligible incarcerated individual is responsible for:

(a) Researching candidates and ballot questions;

(b) Reading and completing the VRA, MIBR, and ballot;

(c) Properly folding, sealing, and addressing the VRA and MIBR;

(d) Properly folding, sealing, addressing, and signing a ballot return envelope; and

(e) Depositing the individual's own completed VRA, MIBR, and ballot in an official ballot box or in the correctional facility's outgoing mail.

(5) An eligible incarcerated individual only needs to submit a completed VRA to a local board one time for all future elections. A VRA may also be used to change your voting address or political party affiliation.

B. Deadlines.

(1) For each election cycle, deadline dates for the return of a VRA, MIBR, and ballot shall be posted in housing and recreation areas.

(2) If an eligible incarcerated individual is unsure of the deadline date for a VRA, MIBR, or ballot, the eligible incarcerated individual may request the information from their housing officer, case manager, or librarian.

(3) **VRA**. An eligible incarcerated individual is responsible for returning a completed VRA to the correct local board so that it is postmarked, received, or placed in the facility's official ballot box at least 21 days before the:

(a) Primary election date if participating in the primary election;

(b) Special election date if participating in a special election; or

(c) General election if participating in the general election.

(4) **MIBR.** An eligible incarcerated individual is responsible for returning a completed MIBR to the correct local board so that it is received by the local board at least seven (7) days before the:

(a) Primary election date if participating in the primary election;

(b) Special election date if participating in a special election; or

(c) General election if participating in the general election.

(5) **Ballot.** An eligible incarcerated individual is responsible for returning a completed ballot to the correct local board so that it is postmarked or placed in the facility's official ballot box by the:

(a) Primary election day if participating in the primary election;

(b) Special election date if participating in a special election; or

(c) General Election Day if participating in the general election.

C. Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Accommodations and Reading and Language Assistance.

(1) If an eligible incarcerated individual has a disability, is unable to read or write, or has limited English proficiency, the eligible incarcerated individual may make a request for an ADA accommodation or language assistance in accordance with the procedures established in DPSCS.200.0007— ADA Title II Non-discrimination and Accommodations for Persons with Disabilities and OEEO.020.0032—Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Policy to receive assistance completing a VRA, MIBR, and ballot.

(2) Of the individuals who work or volunteer in a facility, only the following staff are authorized to provide voting assistance, language assistance, or ADA accommodations to an eligible incarcerated individual upon their request:

(a) Facility ADA Coordinators;

(b) Chaplains;

(c) Librarians;

(d) Reentry Coordinators;

(e) Social Workers;

(f) Educators;

(g) OFPI's LEP Coordinator or designee; and

(h) Volunteers trained and designated to provide assistance to an individual with a disability or limited English proficiency.

(3) In accordance with Election Law Article, §9-308. Annotated Code of Maryland the following individuals are not permitted to provide voting assistance:

(a) A candidate on the ballot;

(b) the voter's employer or an agent of the employer; or

(c) An officer or agent of the voter's union.

(4) Certification of Assistance.

(a) Designated staff assisting an incarcerated individual to complete a VRA, MIBR, and ballot shall complete and sign all required certifications and acknowledgements for providing assistance, and cannot suggest how an eligible incarcerated individual should register or vote.

(b) MIBR. If an eligible incarcerated individual needs help completing the MIBR, the designated staff may assist the eligible incarcerated individual with completing Parts 1 through 6; however, the eligible incarcerated individual must complete Part 7 of the application. If the eligible incarcerated individual is unable to sign the MIBR, the designated staff should print the eligible voter's name in Part 7 and write their initials after the eligible incarcerated individual's name.

(c) Ballot. If an eligible incarcerated individual needs help completing the ballot, the designated staff helping the eligible incarcerated individual must mark the ballot according to the eligible incarcerated individual's wishes and cannot make an effort to influence the eligible incarcerated individual's decision. The designated staff must also complete and sign the *Certification of Person Assisting Mail-in Voter* form that is provided with a mail-in ballot (Appendix E5 and E6). This certification must be returned with the completed ballot.

(5) A managing official or designee, shall ensure that an incarcerated individual who is visually

impaired receives, upon request, a large type format Voter Registration Application provided on the State Board of Elections' website or by calling 1-800-222-8683 for large type format Maryland Mail-In Ballot Request Form. These forms are also available on the SafetyNet as supporting documents to this directive.

(6) In facilities located in jurisdictions that participate in the Language Assistance Program described in Maryland Election Law Article §15.5-102, and whenever services and documents are available, a managing official shall ensure that eligible incarcerated individuals with limited English proficiency receive the following on request:

(a) An appointment with a member of the support staff to read the VRA, MIBR, and ballot to the eligible incarcerated individual;

(b) A printed copy of:

(i) A translated version Voter Registration Application from the Board of Elections' website;

(ii) A translated version of the Maryland Mail-In Ballot Request from the Board of Elections' website;

(iii) A translated version of a specimen ballot from a local board of Elections website; and

(c) Translation services if a translation of the VRA, MIBR, and ballot in the appropriate language is not available.

D. Misuse of Prepaid Postage.

(1) If an eligible incarcerated individual has used the prepaid postage on the reverse side of a VRA or MIBR for a purpose not intended by the State Board and subsequently requests a new VRA or MIBR, the eligible incarcerated individual shall be given a downloaded version of the VRA – postage required or MIBR – postage required to complete and return to the local board. The eligible incarcerated individual shall either pay the required postage or place the VRA or MIBR in the official ballot box.

(2) If an eligible incarcerated individual has used the prepaid postage on the reverse side of a VRA or MIBR for a purpose not intended by the State Board; and requests a new VRA or MIBR, the eligible incarcerated individual shall:

(a) Be given a downloaded version of the VRA – postage required or MIBR – postage required to complete; and

(b) May either place the VRA or MIBR in the official ballot box or return the completed document to the mailroom supervisor so that postage can be affixed at the same time the VRA or MIBR is stamped with a postmark.

E. Security and Collection of Applications and Ballots.

(1) Designated Election Officials. Before entry into a correctional facility to collect VRAs, MIBRs, and ballots, a designated election official shall complete a background investigation

and written agreements and acknowledgements as required by law and Department policy.

(2) Incarcerated Individuals. In accordance with COMAR 12.03.01.03:

(a) An incarcerated individual is required to comply with a rule, policy, procedure, regulation, statute, or other provision of law that was established by a government, the Department, or the facility to which the incarcerated individual is assigned, or a program in which the incarcerated individual is assigned or is voluntarily participating.

(b) A staff member may charge an incarcerated individual with a Category III rule violation if the incarcerated individual:

(i) Tampers with or damages an official ballot box;

(ii) Intimidates, threatens, or coerces another individual; or

(iii) Interferes with another individual's vote or right to vote.

(3) A managing official shall:

(a) Ensure that an official ballot box is under 24-hour video surveillance;

(b) Provide custody staff to escort designated election officials throughout the facility while collecting VRAs, MIBRs, and ballots from official ballot boxes; and

(c) Enact procedures to:

(i) Ensure that official ballot boxes are protected from damage, disablement, and weather-related elements; and

(ii) Efficiently replace or repair an official ballot box that has been damaged or made unsecure.

(4) Department employees, contractors, and program volunteers may not engage in electioneering or campaign activities within or on the grounds of the facility. These individuals may not wear or display campaign materials.

(5) Designated election officials may only collect VRAs, MIBRs, and ballots from an official ballot box.

.07 Appendix.

A. Guidelines for DPSCS Support Staff Helping an Individual who is Under the Custody of the Department to Participate in the Electoral Process.

B. The State Board of Elections Voter Registration Volunteer Training and Information Guide (2026)

C. Ballot Drop Boxes: Chain of Custody Procedures for Removal & Return of Election Materials (BCBIC and other correctional facilities)

D. State Board of Elections Restoration of Voting Rights Information Guide

E. State Board of Elections Forms:

(1) Voter Registration Application (English)

(2) Voter Registration Application (Spanish)

(3) Mail-in Ballot Application (English)

(4) Mail-in Ballot Application (Spanish)

(5) Certification of Voter Assistance for a Ballot (English)

(6) Certification of Voter Assistance for a Ballot (Spanish)

F. Maryland State Board of Elections Infographics

(1) Voter Registration Infographics (English)

(2) Voter Registration Infographics (Spanish)

.08 History.

A. This directive has been reissued as OPS.200.0008 to better reflect the current organizational structure of the Department and supersedes provisions established in DPSCS.200.0008 dated March 27, 2024.

B. DPSCS.200.0008 dated March 27, 2024 superseded provisions established in DPSCS.200.0008 dated June 21, 2022.

C. DPSCS.200.0008 dated June 21, 2022 superseded DPSCS.200.0008, September 25, 2021.

D. DPSCS.200.0008, September 25, 2021 superseded DPSCS.200.0008, dated September 17, 2020.

E. This directive supersedes provisions of any other prior existing communication with which it may be in conflict.

.09 Distribution.

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Appendix A: Guidelines for DPSCS Non-Custody Staff Helping an Eligible Individual in the Custody of the Department to Participate in the Electoral Process

.01 General Guidelines.

A. If designated by the managing official, you may assist an eligible individual with registering to vote, requesting a mail-in ballot, or completing a ballot.

B. An eligible individual in the custody of the Department is required to vote by mail-in ballot and the mail-in ballot must be returned to the local election board by placing it in:

(1) The outgoing mail; or

(2) A facility's official ballot box.

C. Ask the eligible individual what type of assistance the eligible individual needs.

(1) You may:

(a) Read the information on a voter registration application (VRA), mail-in ballot request form (MIBR), or a ballot;

(b) Complete a VRA, MIBR, or mark a ballot; or

(c) Read and complete a VRA, MIBR, or ballot.

(d) If necessary and when asked by the eligible individual, you may print the eligible individual's name in the required signature area and place your initials next to the printed name.If a certification is required, complete the certification.

(2) If qualified, you may translate the VRA, MIBR, or ballot for the eligible individual.

D. How to Provide Assistance. When reading an eligible individual a VRA, MIBR, or a ballot:

(1) Do not influence, suggest, or persuade a voter to choose a specific candidate, political party, or cause.

(2) Do not attempt to influence, suggest, or persuade a voter to choose a specific candidate, political party, or cause.

(3) Do not communicate with the voter in a way that makes the eligible individual feel forced to make certain choices. *Example:* Never say, "X, Y, and Z are running for this position, but really, only X and Y stand a chance. Any votes for Z are just a waste of time."

(4) Do not make any statement or take any action that may lead the eligible individual to believe that a decision to register or not to register has any bearing on the availability of services or privileges. *Example:* Never say, "You won't be able to vote in the primary if you register as an X" or "If that initiative doesn't get enough 'Yes' votes, they are going to cut all your services."

(5) Do not display any political or candidate preference or political party allegiance.

(6) Do not make assumptions about an eligible individual's voting preferences. *Example:* Don't assume that because an eligible individual belongs to political party X, that the eligible individual will choose all of the candidates with political party X by their name.

(7) Do not make suggestions about the eligible individual's voting preference. *Example:* Never say, "That county council president X really botched things up last year. Do you really want to vote for him or this other person?"

E. Misinformation.

(1) Never alter the content of the information provided for each selection, as doing so can unintentionally influence the individual's vote.

(2) Never withhold information that is printed on the VRA, MIBR, or ballot from the eligible individual you are assisting.

(3) Never give false information about what is printed on the VRA, MIBR, or ballot to an eligible individual you are assisting.

F. Decision Making. When completing a VRA, MIBR, or a ballot for an eligible individual:

(1) Do not make decisions for the eligible individual even if asked to do so.

(2) Never mark or change the application or ballot to reflect a choice other than the choice expressed by the eligible individual.

(3) A voter <u>is not</u> required to cast a vote on every measure or candidate on the ballot.

G. Protect the eligible individual's privacy.

(1) Respect the privacy of the voter at all times during the registration and voting process.

(2) Ensure that the voter's choices remain private even after completing a VRA, MIBR, or ballot.

(3) Do not discuss the assistance you provided. It is the voter's choice whether to disclose this information to individuals outside of the voting process.

.02 Voter Eligibility.

A. To determine if the individual is already registered to vote in Maryland you can search here: Maryland State Board of Elections - Voter Lookup (https://voterservices.elections.maryland.gov/VoterSearch).

B. General Eligibility.

(1) To be eligible to register to vote, a person must be:

(a) A U.S. citizen;

(b) A Maryland resident; and

(c) At least 16 years old.

(2) A person cannot have been:

(a) Convicted of buying or selling votes;

(b) Under guardianship for mental disability and found by a court to be unable to communicate a desire to vote; or

(c) Convicted of a felony and currently serving a court-ordered sentence of imprisonment for the felony. See State Board of Elections website: https://elections.maryland.gov/voter_registration/restoration.html.

C. Incarcerated Individual Eligibility.

(1) An incarcerated individual must meet all of the conditions listed in §.02B(1);

(2) Be incarcerated in a DPSCS correctional facility; and

(a) Held in a pretrial status; or

(b) Currently serving a sentence for only a misdemeanor offense(s).

.03 Voter Registration Application.

A. If an incarcerated individual in custody of the Department requests an VRA, regardless of whether you believe the incarcerated individual is eligible to vote, you must provide a voter registration application or direct the incarcerated individual on how to obtain one.

B. When assisting an eligible individual to register to vote, you must also inform the individual that while incarcerated, the individual will only be permitted to vote by mail-in ballot. You must also inform the eligible individual that he or she must complete a MIBR in order to obtain a mail-in ballot.

C. VRA.

(1) Familiarize yourself with the VRA form and instructions.

(2) If the eligible individual requires reading assistance:

(a) Read the instructions in the VRA to the eligible individual; and

(b) If asked, explain or carefully and accurately reword the instructions as appropriate for the needs of the eligible individual.

(3) If needed, assist the eligible individual in obtaining the individual's driver's license number or the last four (4) digits of the individual's Social Security number. This information shall be kept confidential.

(4) If the eligible individual requires writing assistance you may:

(a) Complete items 1 through 12 on the application at the direction of the eligible individual;

(b) If the eligible individual is already registered to vote but wants to change address or political party affiliation, complete Items A–B at the bottom of the form at the direction of the eligible individual; and

(c) Address the VRA to the local board of elections for the jurisdiction where the individual is registering to vote.

(5) The individual registering to vote is responsible for providing all postage for mailing the VRA to the local board of elections, unless:

(a) The postage is prepaid; or

(b) The individual is indigent and receives free postage from the mailroom administrator.

.04 Mail-In Ballot Request Form.

A. If an eligible individual has previously registered to vote in an earlier election cycle, the eligible individual may automatically receive a MIBR from the local elections board.

B. If the eligible individual is newly registered to vote and does not receive an MIBR from the local board, an MIBR form is available in the packets provided by the State Board of Elections (SBE) and on the SBE website in English-MBR and Spanish-MBR (https://elections.maryland.gov/voting/absentee.html).

C. MIBR.

(1) Familiarize yourself with the MIBR form and instructions.

(2) If the eligible individual requires reading assistance:

(a) Read the instructions in the MIBR to the eligible individual; and

(b) If asked, explain or carefully and accurately reword the instructions as appropriate for the needs of the eligible individual.

(3) If the eligible individual requires writing assistance you may:

(a) Complete items 1 through 7 on the application at the direction of the eligible individual; and

(b) Address the MIBR to the local board of elections for the jurisdiction where the individual is registered to vote.

(4) MIBR Section 4: Be aware of an eligible individual's upcoming release date when completing Section 4 of a MIBR form. Make sure the eligible individual will still be incarcerated at the time the ballot is delivered. The eligible individual may indicate on the form whether to receive a mail-in ballot for the:

(a) Primary election only;

(b) General election only;

(c) Primary and general election for the current year; or

(d) All future federal and state elections.

(5) MIBR Section 5: An individual incarcerated within a Department correctional facility does not have access to an email account or a facsimile machine. You should advise the eligible individual to have the ballot sent via the U.S. Mail.

(6) MIBR Section 7: Signatures and Certification of Assistance. The person assisting the voter must complete this section by signing in the section labelled "Assistant, sign here" and acknowledge, "Under penalty of perjury, I hereby certify that this voter

needed help with this form because he or she has a disability or is unable to read or write. The voter authorized me to complete this form. If the voter could not sign this form, I printed the voter's name [on the Signature of Voter line] and wrote my initials."

(7) Seal the completed MIBR in the provided return envelope.

(8) The eligible individual is responsible for providing all postage for mailing the MIRB to the local board of elections, unless:

(a) The postage is prepaid; or

(b) The individual is indigent and receives free postage from the mailroom administrator.

D. Direct or assist the eligible individual to return the ballot by mail or to place the ballot in the designated ballot box.

.05 Assisting an Individual Complete an Election Ballot.

A. Familiarize yourself with the ballot and instructions.

B. When assisting an eligible individual to mark a ballot, remember:

(1) To use or provide a black ink to mark the ballot.

(2) That the eligible individual does not sign the ballot. The eligible individual signs the return envelope.

(3) To seal the return envelope.

(4) To send the ballot using the postage-paid return envelope.

C. If the eligible individual requires reading assistance:

(1) Read the instructions that accompany the ballot to the eligible individual;

(2) If asked, explain or carefully and accurately reword the instructions as appropriate for the needs of the eligible individual; and

(3) Repeat the questions and possible answers on the ballot as many times as is needed by the eligible individual.

D. If the eligible individual requires writing assistance you may:

(1) Mark the ballot as directed by the eligible individual. If unsure of the eligible individual's selection, ask for clarification without adding influencing language.

(2) If the eligible individual chooses more than one selection for a single ballot question that only allows one answer, inform the eligible individual of the error, explain the effect of the error, and provide the opportunity to fix the error before the ballot is cast.

(3) Address the ballot envelope to the local board of elections for the jurisdiction where the individual is registered to vote.

E. If you are providing any form of assistance to an eligible individual who is voting a ballot, you must complete and sign the *Certification of Person Assisting Mail-in Voter* form (provided with ballot). This certification must be returned in the envelope with the marked ballot.

F. Ballot Review.

(1) Before sealing the ballot and the certification in the return envelope, give the eligible individual the opportunity to privately review the ballot answers; and

(2) Give the eligible individual the opportunity to privately and independently change the ballot before it is cast.

G. The eligible individual is responsible for providing all postage for mailing the ballot to local board of elections, unless:

(a) The postage is prepaid; or

(b) The individual is indigent receives free postage from the mailroom administrator.

H. If a ballot is being mailed, the ballot will only be counted if it is returned in the return envelope and the affidavit is signed with a valid signature in the place provided for the signature on the envelope.

I. Direct or assist the individual to return the ballot by mail or to place the ballot in the designated ballot box.

.06 Providing Candidate Information.

A. A voter may request a facility librarian, who maintains the resources in a correctional library operated by the Maryland Department of Labor, to assist him or her in researching a candidate who appears on the ballot.

B. The State Board of Elections provides candidate information on their website but the link will change with each primary, general, and special election. 2024 Primary

https://www.elections.maryland.gov/elections/2024/primary_candidates/index.html.

C. The League of Women Voters Educational Fund maintains a non-partisan website entitled VOTE411.org (https://www.vote411.org/maryland) that provides voting information by election jurisdiction. On the website, add the mailing address where the incarcerated individual is registered to vote and a list of candidates and ballot measures for that jurisdiction will be provided. The League often provides candidates with surveys and will post the candidate responses to the website.

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Voter Registration Distributor Training - Correctional Facilities

Changes in Election Laws that Affect Voter Registration

Continuous Registration Law - Effective June 1, 2001

Before June 1, 2001, a voter's registration was canceled when an election office received information that the voter had moved from one county to another within Maryland. To vote in the new county of residence, the voter had to re-register. The provisions of Continuous Registration ensure that a voter's registration is permanent as long as the voter continues to live in Maryland and keeps their address current with the board of elections where they live. If a registered voter moves within Maryland, whether it is within the same county or from one county to another, and the voter notifies the Motor Vehicle Administration (MVA) of that change, their registration should automatically be moved to the new county of residence. The voter may also fill out a new Voter Registration Application (VRA), send a signed, written notice to the board of elections, or utilize the Online Voter Registration (OLVR) system to update their voter registration information to reflect the change.

Election Law §3-102. Qualifications for voter registration - Effective June 1, 2010

Effective June 1, 2010, Maryland Election Law was changed to allow individuals who are at least 16 years old to register to vote. Please note that being eligible to register to vote does not equate to being eligible to vote. Registrants that will be 18 years old on or before a general election may vote in the primary election prior to the general election if they have not yet reached 18 years of age.

Voting Rights - Ex-Felons Act- Effective March 10, 2016

The Ex-Felons Act amended the qualifications to register to vote in Maryland for criminal offenders. These qualifications are contained in the Election Law Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, §3-102.

The Ex-Felons Act gives qualified reformed offenders an opportunity to register to vote and participate in the election process. The conditions preventing an offender from registering have been changed and now read:

> §3-102 (b) Exceptions. - An individual is not qualified to be a registered voter if the individual:
> (1) has been convicted of a felony and is currently serving a court-ordered sentence of imprisonment for the conviction.

Completion of the court-ordered sentence requires the service of any time in prison. The Act also prohibits individuals who have been convicted of buying or selling votes from registering to vote. If an individual is unsure whether or not they qualify to register, the Division of Parole and Probation and the court where the conviction was recorded should be able to provide information about whether and when the sentence was completed.

Help America Vote Act of 2002 (HAVA)

Congress enacted significant election reform legislation after the 2000 Presidential Election that mandates (1) identification for registrants who apply by mail after January 1, 2003 and will be voting in the state for the first time after January 1, 2004, (2) modification of the voter registration application form to include affirmation of citizenship and a requirement for a personal identification number (a driver's license or MVA identification card number, or if the individual has no MVA identification, the last four digits of a social security number), (3) provisional ballots, (4) voting system accommodations for individuals with disabilities, and (5) a uniform statewide voter registration system.

In 2003, Maryland modified the content of the statewide voter registration application and amended the State's instructions for the federal NVRA form to ensure compliance. Local boards should be certain that Voter Registration Distributors are provided with the most recent forms to ensure prompt processing of mail-in voter registration applications.

Meeting the Verification Requirement - Personal Identification Number Must Be Provided by All New Applicants

A new voter registration applicant ***must*** provide their driver's license number or MVA Identification card number or learners permit number; or, if the applicant does not have a driver's license number, the last four digits of their social security number. The driver's license number or social security number provided by all new applicants must be verified by the Motor Vehicle Administration or Social Security Administration.

If the applicant does not provide this information, or the driver's license or social security number is not verified, the applicant will be placed in "pending" status. Election officials will notify the applicant that the application was incomplete and request additional identification. If the applicant does not respond to the notice and attempts to vote, they will be given the opportunity to vote a provisional ballot. Identification must be received prior to the provisional ballot canvass.

Affirmation of Citizenship for Mail-In Registrants

HAVA requires that Maryland's voter registration application include the question *"Are you a US citizen?"* This question appears in Box 1 of the Maryland Statewide Voter Registration Application. HAVA also requires that if an applicant fails to answer the citizenship question, election officials must notify the applicant of the failure and provide the applicant with an opportunity to complete the form in a timely manner. The status of the voter's registration record will be made pending if the citizenship question is not answered. If time permits, the local election board may return a form to the applicant; or it may require the applicant to appear in person at the election office if a voter registration application deadline is approaching. If the applicant checks the "No" box in response to the citizenship question, their voter registration application will not be processed. However, if the application has previously been processed, the registration will immediately be canceled.

Methods used to Register Voters in Maryland

Maryland recognizes two basic types of applications for voter registration: the Statewide Voter Registration Application, designed and produced by the State Board of Elections (SBE) as required by EL §3-202, and the National Voter Registration Application (known as the federal form), prescribed by the Election Assistance Commission (EAC) pursuant to the National Voter Registration Act (NVRA) of 1993.

The statewide form helps to ensure that all voter registration applications consistently meet all State and federal laws, provides uniform voter registration information to all Maryland voters, and enables jurisdictions across the State to obtain the same information from voters. SBE revises the statewide voter registration application after a change in voter registration law and/or the certification/decertification of a political party.

The content of the statewide application appears in several types of applications, including:

MAIL-IN REGISTRATION FORM

An applicant can complete a mail-in registration form with the required information, and return it to the appropriate election board for processing. Maryland has two mail-in registration forms: a regular VRA and an NVRA (specifically used at NVRA-designated agencies in Maryland). Both the VRA and NVRA forms are available in Spanish. The VRA form is also available in Amharic, Chinese (traditional and simplified), and Vietnamese.

VRA (SBE 03-202-1)- This application form is available at libraries and post offices throughout the State and is distributed by the election boards to voter registration distributors for registration drives and to citizens on request, in person, or through the internet.

NVRA (SBE 03-202-2)- This application is distributed to and used ONLY by designated NVRA agencies. The form is the same as the regular VRA but is distinguished by the logo "Register to Vote Now" on the back of the application. Election officials must ensure that only the NVRA form is distributed to designated NVRA agencies, so that the source of a registration can be properly credited on the monthly NVRA summary report compiled by SBE.

SBE WEBSITE APPLICATION

SBE provides additional access to the voter registration application form and other important election information through the agency website at www.elections.maryland.gov or via the QR code below. If the Voter Registration Distributor does not have enough printed voter registration applications, they may use the link above or the QR code below, as necessary.

NATIONAL VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATION

This is a generic federal form prescribed by the Election Assistance Commission pursuant to the National Voter Registration Act of 1993; it is available with State-specific instructions. Individuals who wish to use this form may obtain a printer-ready copy or a PDF version on the EAC website at www.eac.gov/voters/register-and-vote-in-your-state.

If an applicant is not a Maryland resident but seeks to apply to register to vote in another state, the applicant needs to complete this form. The VRD should advise the applicant to read and follow the instructions for the appropriate state. If these forms are returned to the State Board of Elections, the applications will be forwarded to the appropriate state board for processing.

Qualifications and Duties of a Voter Registration Distributor

What is the role of a Voter Registration Distributor (VRD)?
A Voter Registration Distributor, who has received training from a State or local election official, offers individuals an opportunity to apply to register to vote by distributing the statewide VRA, aiding with the completion of the application, and, when requested, returning the completed applications to a State or local election official for processing.

Who can be a Voter Registration Distributor?
To qualify as a VRD, an individual must be of legal voting age. VRD's are encouraged to complete VRD training with the State Board of Elections or a local board of elections within the State.

What is considered the legal voting age?
Someone who will be 18 years old by the next succeeding general or special election is of legal voting age.

Does an individual have to be a resident of Maryland to be a VRD?
No. As long as the individual meets all other qualifications, an individual who lives outside of Maryland is not prohibited from becoming a VRD.

What are the duties of a VRD?

a) Ensure that the VRA is filled out correctly, completely, and accurately.

b) Advise the registrant that they may personally return the application to the appropriate election board or permit the VRD to return it for processing.

c) When entrusted with the completed VRA, the volunteer must promptly return the application to the appropriate election office, either by mail or in person.

d) If the application is obtained immediately before an advanced voter registration deadline, the VRD must ensure that it is delivered timely.

Timeliness: To ensure that an individual is registered to vote prior to the beginning of early voting and qualifies to participate in an upcoming election, the VRD must deliver any application completed on or before the advanced voter registration deadline to an election official not later than 5:00 p.m. on the last day to pre-register to vote. Any application delivered to election officials after that time cannot be processed until voter

registration reopens 11 days after the election.

If a VRD mails an application to the appropriate election office, the application must bear a postmark indicating that it was mailed on or before the advanced voter registration deadline date in order to be processed for the election. Applications that bear a postmark after the advanced voter registration deadline will be processed when the books reopen.

e) All individuals, regardless of party or candidate preference, should be registered. A VRD may not attempt to influence the applicant's party affiliation decision or check off a party choice if the voter has not done so.

f) If, rather than entrusting the VRA to the VRD, the applicant decides to return the form "by mail" to the election board, the VRD should ensure that the applicant has provided either a personal identification number that can be verified or a copy of alternative identification information to satisfy HAVA requirements. While the VRA can be processed without the information, a first-time voter will have to provide identification before their vote can be counted.

Note: A VRD should carry identification, approved by the State Administrator, to establish that the VRD has been trained to register voters.

Can a VRD receive compensation for registering voters?
No. A VRD may not be paid on a per registrant basis for voter registration activity. A volunteer may, however, be served meals, beverages, or refreshments, or may be compensated for expenses actually incurred for meals or transportation, incidental to registration activities. In addition, a person who works in a facility of incarceration may assist with registration while earning pay if their registration activities are not the purpose of, but merely incidental to, their paid duties.

Can a VRD offer money or any other item of value as an incentive when providing applicants an opportunity to register to vote?
No. On August 22, 2000, the State Board of Elections unanimously adopted a strong policy that prohibits staff of the State Board, local boards and their staffs, designated agencies, and other official voter registration distributors from offering or permitting others **to offer money or any item of value** in connection with a voter registration drive. However, this policy does not prohibit giving those who register or others who accompany them a sticker, pin, or similar item of nominal value.

What is the VRD's duty to keep personal identification information *(i.e.,* ***social security numbers and driver's license numbers) confidential?***
A VRD or any individual assisting another individual to register to vote may not copy or retain personal information for any reason. The VRD could be blamed for identity theft or other problems caused by the improper release of personal information.

Can the VRD make copies of voter registration applications before returning them to election officials for processing?
Copying of VRAs is not sanctioned by SBE and could lead to the improper release of confidential personal information. However, there is currently no specific law prohibiting copying of an application. SBE recommends that a VRD never copy a voter registration application.

Completing the Statewide Voter Registration Application

When assisting an individual to register to vote, a VRD or agency employee should ensure that the applicant reviews the qualifications to register in items 1-9 on the voter registration application.

Box 1: Are you at least 16 years old? The **YES** box must be marked.
Are you a U.S. citizen? The **YES** box must be marked.

Box 2:**Reason for filling out the application:** This form can be used to register to vote in Maryland for the first time or to change a registered voter's name, address, or party affiliation.

Box 3:**Name:** The applicant must print full name including Last, First, Middle, Suffix (Jr, Sr, etc.).
Date of Birth: Ensure that the applicant entered month, day, and four-digit year.
Gender: Ensure that the applicant has checked Male, Female, Unspecified or Other.

Box 4: **Verification:** If the applicant has a current, valid Maryland driver's license, MVA identification card, or learner's permit, the applicant must enter the MVA number here. If the applicant has neither of these, the applicant must enter the last four digits of their social security number.

Box 5:**Maryland Residential Address:** The applicant must provide the actual physical street address of their residence, including any unit number. For voting purposes, an incarcerated person's residence is their last location prior to incarceration. **A post office box or a business or other non-residential address cannot be used.**

Box 6:**Mailing Address:** For currently incarcerated individuals, this will be their facility-provided mailing address. Post office boxes may be listed here. State law does not require that the mailing address be in the same county as residence.

Box 7:**Party:** If an individual does not select a party, the election board will enter the applicant as "unaffiliated."

Box 8:**Contact Information:** Unless they have regular access during incarceration to internet-enabled devices, voters who are incarcerated should leave this section blank.

Box 9:**Oath and Signature:** Confirm that the applicant has read the oath, and that the application is filled out completely, **signed** and dated. *(If the voter is unable to sign their name, assist them in completing all but Box 9, and then complete the form titled **"Assistance Provided to a Person Who, Because of a Handicap or Otherwise, is Unable to Complete or Sign the Voter Registration Application"** and attach it to the Voter Registration Application. If the form is not available, you can write the registrant's name in the signature space, and beside that, write the words "Assisted by:", sign the registration, and then print your name under your signature.)*

LAST VOTER REGISTRATION INFORMATION: If the applicant is currently registered to vote, whether in Maryland or in another state, the applicant should complete this section.

ELECTION LAW COMPLIANCE REMINDER: You **must** inform the applicant that they have the option of either

personally returning the Voter Registration Application to the county board of elections office by mail, or giving the Voter Registration Application to you for return.

Quick Reference Guide

Uses for a Statewide Voter Registration Application:

- Apply to Register to Vote in Maryland
- Change Current Voter Registration Address
- Change Current Party Affiliation
- Change or Update Registered Voter's Name

Qualifications to Register to Vote:

- Be a U.S. citizen
- Be a Maryland resident
- Be at least 16 years old
- Not have been found by a court to be unable to communicate a desire to vote
- Not have been convicted of buying or selling votes
- Not currently convicted of a felony and serving a court-ordered sentence of imprisonment.

Residency in Maryland:

To be considered a Maryland resident, an individual's domicile must be in **Maryland.** Your domicile is **the place that you consider to be your 'official' or 'permanent' home (the location you most recently lived at or intend to return to),** even though it may be different from the place where you are residing on a short-term or temporary basis. For example, the address that is most frequently used on tax returns or other government documents, driver's license, bank accounts, and insurance purposes, is generally considered to be your domicile.

Must be 18 by the next General Election to vote, and must be at least 16 years old to register to vote:

The 2005 Maryland Legislature passed Senate Bill 86, Rules of Interpretation - Computation of Age that was signed into law by the Governor on April 26, 2005. This legislation was for the purpose of establishing that an individual attains a specified age on the day of the anniversary of the individual's birth. This means that an individual for voting purposes would have to be 18 on or before the next general election for them to be able to vote. An individual born on February 29 attains a specified age on March 1 of any year that is not a leap year.

Local Board of Election Contact info can be found at: https://elections.maryland.gov/about/county_boards.html.

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Ballot Drop Boxes: Chain of Custody Procedures for Removal and Return of Election Materials from Correctional Facilities

Terms

1. "The facility" refers to a correctional facility under the purview of the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services.
2. "The local board" refers to the local board of elections in the jurisdiction of the referenced facility.
3. "The Department" refers to the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services.

Minimum Requirements for People Collecting Election Materials

1. The local board of elections must swear in any person it designates to empty the drop boxes.
2. Any person emptying the drop boxes at a correctional facility must have a criminal background conducted by the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services. Individuals who are exempt from the background check required by the State Board of Elections to empty standard ballot drop boxes are NOT exempt from the background check required by the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services.
3. Any person emptying drop boxes at a correctional facility must present a valid State-issued photo ID for entry. The facility will issue a visitor badge which must be worn for the entirety of the visit to the facility.
4. Any person emptying drop boxes at a correctional facility is subject to all applicable rules for visitors, including dress code, security screenings for entering the facility, and leaving prohibited items in their vehicle[1], and shall be escorted to each ballot drop box by a representative of the facility.
5. All ballot drop boxes must be under 24/7 camera surveillance, and the local board must have immediate access or access within a reasonable amount of time to the security camera monitoring the ballot box.[2]
6. Collectors shall make in-person visits in accordance with the schedule outlined online.

Recommendations

1. The person emptying the drop boxes should display their State or county employment ID while picking up the ballots. Board members may wear name badges in lieu of a State or county employment ID.
2. The person emptying the drop boxes should wear a top with the name of the election office (e.g., vest or shirt with "[County Name] Board of Elections") printed on it.
3. Wherever possible, work in a team of two election officials to retrieve ballots.

Retrieving Ballots – Schedule- Election Time

1. "Election time" refers to the time, during a statewide election year, starting when Voter Information Packets are delivered to each correctional facility for a primary election (approximately 60 days before the voter registration deadline) to date of the general election.

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[1] All restrictions and requirements of visitors are listed at the end of this document as Appendix #1.

[2] *See* Election Law Article, §2-305(a)(1) (SB 683 and HB 1048 of the 2021 Laws of Maryland).

2. During Election time, assigned personnel shall empty the ballot drop boxes on scheduled days (and to the extent possible, regularly scheduled times) that shall be predetermined and agreed upon with the facility.
3. When a specified election deadline occurs, assigned personnel shall empty ballot drop boxes on the day of the deadline, or if facility administrators agree to lock a ballot drop box at the end of the day on the day of the deadline, within two days after the deadline.
    a. For the 2026 Primary Election, the election deadlines are as follows:
        i. Deadline to Register to Vote & Update Registration Information (including Party Affiliation): Tuesday, June 2, 2026.
        ii. Deadline to Request a Mail-In Ballot: Tuesday, June 16, 2026
        iii. Election Day: Tuesday, June 23, 2026.
    b. For the 2026 General Election, the election deadlines are as follows:
        i. Deadline to Register to Vote & Update Registration Information (including Party Affiliation): Tuesday, October 13, 2026.
        ii. Deadline to Request a Mail-In Ballot to be received via the mail: Tuesday, October 27, 2026.
        iii. Election Day: Tuesday, November 3, 2026.
4. On the deadline to register to vote, the ballot drop boxes shall be emptied as close to 5 pm as possible, but not before 5 pm.
5. On the deadline to request a mail-in ballot, empty containers as close to 8 pm as possible, but not before 8 pm.
6. On Election Day, the ballot drop boxes shall be emptied as close to 8 pm as possible, but not before 8 pm.

Retrieving Ballots – Schedule- Non-Election Time

1. "Non-election time" refers to the time period starting the day after a general election, through 60 days prior to the voter registration deadline for the primary election of the next election cycle.
2. The State Board shall make arrangements to empty the ballot drop boxes at minimum quarterly during non-election time, on regularly scheduled days (and to the extent possible, regularly scheduled times) that shall be predetermined and agreed upon with the facility.

Emptying the Drop Boxes – Process

In advance of each Election Time period, SBE shall create and provide to assigned personnel a *Ballot Drop Box Integrity/Transportation Log* ("Integrity Report") that is specific to each facility. People collecting materials must use a lockable canvassing bag or lockable provisional ballot bag to transport picked-up election materials from the drop box to the local board's office.[3] For each ballot drop box to be emptied:

1. Check that and confirm that[4]:
    a. The lock on the ballot drop box is intact;
    b. The tamper tape is intact; and

[3] If a canvassing or provisional ballot bag is not available, a lockable ballot bin or other secure lockable container can be used, but the facility must pre-approve the container in advance of the visit. Pre-approval can be obtained by contacting the Warden's office.

[4] If the lock or tamper tape is not intact, or the tamper tape numbers do not match the numbers from the previous retrieval, follow the steps listed on Page 4 of these procedures for evidence of tampering under "Other Procedures."

   c. The tamper tape numbers match the tamper tape numbers on the *Integrity Report* from the previous pick up.
2. Remove the tamper tape and unlock the door of the ballot drop box.
3. Put all contents of the ballot drop box into the canvassing bag.
4. Count the total number of envelopes, applications, ballots, or other miscellaneous correspondence returned in each ballot drop box and record on the *Integrity Report*.[5]
5. Close and lock the ballot drop box front panel.
6. Apply a new tamper tape to the ballot drop box.
7. Record the new tamper tape number on the *Integrity Report.*
8. If there is more than one ballot box to be emptied, close the canvassing bag using the zipper but do not lock the bag yet.
9. After all the ballot drop boxes have been emptied, lock the canvassing bag and put a new seal on the lock. Record the seal number in appropriate column on the *Integrity Report.*

If a voter hands over election materials while an assigned person is retrieving ballots, the collector should take the items and put them in the canvassing bag before sealing.

If a voter wants to deliver materials after the cutoff time for a drop off on a deadline day, the collector should inform the voter that the drop off is not timely. If the voter insists on the collector taking the materials, the collector should write the date and time and their initials on the return envelope, place it in the canvassing bag if not locked, or collect and hold the envelope with the canvassing bag if it is already locked.

Other Procedures

If a ballot box is required to be opened outside of a scheduled ballot retrieval process:

1. Check that the tamper tape number matches the seal number on the *Integrity Report*.
2. Unlock the ballot drop box lid.
3. Perform whatever task necessitated opening the ballot drop box.
4. Close and lock the ballot drop box lid.
5. Attach a new tamper tape to the drop box.
6. Record the new tamper tape number on the Integrity Report.

If there is evidence of tampering:

1. Report the incident to the facility (report to Shift Commander via the facility escort) and ask the warden or facility officer to take pictures of the damage or evidence of tampering.
2. Record the incident on the back of the *Integrity Report*.
3. If possible, remove all ballots and attach a new seal.
4. Upon exiting the correctional facility, call your supervisor immediately and inform them of the evidence of tampering.
5. A local board or other supervisor should report the incident to SBE.
   a. If the damage appears to be tampering with ballots, call SBE staff instead of emailing. Start with a regional manager, then Russell Hicks, then Mary Ann

[5] Voter Registration Applications and Requests for Mail-in Ballots will most likely be returned in the same envelope, which is different than the mail-in ballot return envelope. However, an individual may choose to return these forms in separate or non-official envelopes, or in no envelope at all. The local board representative should count the total number of 1) mail-in ballot envelopes, and 2) all other voting information packet envelopes, non-official envelopes, and loose applications received deposited and record both numbers on the Integrity Report.

Mogavero, then Melissia Dorsey or Katherine Berry until you reach someone. If you can't reach any of the SBE staff listed, then call the main office number. If you still can't reach anyone, send an urgent email to everyone listed.

b. If the damage appears to be from roughhousing and did not affect the integrity of any ballots, then an email to the SBE staff listed will suffice.

6. SBE will determine if additional law enforcement should be notified.

Returning Ballots to Office

Note: The local election official performing the tasks listed below cannot be the same official that picked up and delivered the voted ballots and election mail to the office.

When the ballots or election mail (in the canvassing bag) are returned to the office, a local board official should:

1. Verify the seal number on the canvassing bag matches the seal number on the *Integrity Report*.
2. Remove all collected election envelopes from the canvassing bag.
3. Sort envelopes into three piles: 1) voter registration applications and mail-in ballot applications; 2) ballots, 3) miscellaneous other correspondence.
4. Count the number of application envelopes and the number of ballot packets.[6]
5. Record the number of each on the *Drop Box Acceptance Log for Election Mail from Correctional Facilities.*
6. Process received voter registration applications and requests for mail-in ballots using the normal process.
7. Process ballots following the mail-in ballot process, including recording in MDVOTERS that these ballots were dropped off at a ballot drop box.
8. Election mail that is returned to the local board from the drop box but needs to be forwarded to a different local board should be forwarded to the correct local board in the same manner as for any other election mail received that was sent or delivered to the incorrect drop box.

Notes on Drop Box Installation

When any new drop boxes are being installed and used for the first time, the following procedures should be followed.

For each ballot drop box to be installed, the facility shall:

1. Confirm having the locks and keys for each drop box.
2. Open the cover to verify that the container is empty.
3. Confirm that the location where the drop box is to be installed is in the view of video monitoring cameras.
4. Install the ballot drop box securely to the wall.
5. Close and lock the front panel.

[6] Voter Registration Applications and Requests for Mail-in Ballots will most likely be returned in the same envelope, which is different than the mail-in ballot return envelope. However, an individual may choose to return these forms in separate or non-official envelopes, or in no envelope at all. When counting ballots returned to the office from the facility, the local board should count the total number of 1) mail-in ballot envelopes (ballot packets), and 2) all other voting information packet envelopes, non-official envelopes, and loose applications received and record both numbers on the Integrity Report.

6. Keep the keys in a secure location until the first visit by the local board.

On the first visit to the facility after installation, the local board shall:

1. Receive the keys from the facility representative.
2. Check that the ballot slot opening is clear.
3. Confirm that the keys unlock and lock each respective drop box.
4. Attach tamper tape to the drop box so that it attaches to the cover and box.
5. Record the tamper tape number on the *Integrity Report*.

Restoration of Voting Rights in Maryland

Can I have my voting rights restored in Maryland if I have previously been convicted of a felony?

YES. Effective March 10, 2016, if you have been convicted of a felony AND have completed serving a court-ordered sentence of imprisonment, you are eligible to register to vote. You can register to vote even if you are on parole after your release.

However, if you were convicted of buying or selling votes, you are not eligible to register to vote, regardless of if you have completed your court-ordered sentence of imprisonment.

But what if I was released from my sentence early, can I still have my voting rights restored?

YES. As soon as you are released from the correctional facility, whether released on parole, or because you completed your sentence in full, you are eligible to register to vote.

What if I am arrested again after my release?

It depends. If you are arrested for a misdemeanor, even if you are convicted, you are still eligible to register to vote, including while awaiting trial and while serving a court-ordered sentence of imprisonment. If you are arrested for a felony, even if you are remanded while awaiting trial, you can register and vote until you are convicted. If you are convicted again of a felony, you will have to wait until released again to be able to register to vote.

That's great news. But HOW do I register to vote?

Registering to vote is easy! Either complete the paper application given to you upon your release and return by mail to the local board of election in the county (or Baltimore City) where you live, or you can register online using your smartphone, a tablet, or a computer. Scan the QR Code to the right register online.

Scan to Register

What if I have more questions?

You can find information on how to register, how to request a mail-in ballot, and where to vote by going to https://elections.maryland.gov/index.html, or by scanning the QR Code to the right.

Scan for more information

Maryland Voter Registration

There are three ways to register to vote

1. Register online

You can also go online to register to vote.

Go to: vote.md.gov/VoterApply or scan the QR code

Mail-in applications available in español, français, 中文 and 한국어.

Large type Voter Registration Applications are available upon request to your County Board of Elections or State Board of Elections.

2. Mail in a voter registration application

What can I use this form for?

- To register to vote in federal, state, county, and municipal elections in Maryland.
- To change your name, address, or party affiliation.

3. Register to vote during early voting or on election day.

Go to an early voting center in the county where you live during early voting, or go to your assigned election day polling place and bring a document that proves where you live.

Maryland voter registration form instructions

How do I complete this form?

1. Complete Sections 1–8 of the Voter Registration Application,
2. If you need to submit a name change or address change also complete Section 10.
3. Sign and date Section 9.

This form must be completed in black ink.

How do I submit this form?

1. Tear off this panel at the dotted line
2. Mail your completed application to your County Board of Elections. The mailing addresses are listed on the back panel.

- Do not fax or email the form because it requires an original signature.
- Submitting the Statewide VRA to an individual other than an official, employee, or agent of a local board does not assure that the form will be filed or filed timely

What is the deadline to mail in my application?

To be eligible to vote in the next election, you must mail your application at least 21 days before election day.

What can I expect after I submit my application?

If your application is complete and you qualify, you will get a Voter Notification Card in the mail.

Do I need to pick a political party?

- You only need to choose a party if you want to vote in that party's primary, caucus, or convention.
- If you do, check one box only.

Confidentiality

- Except for items specified as confidential, voter registration records are generally available to the public.
- If you decide not to register to vote, that choice stays confidential. This information is only used for voter registration purposes.
- If you do register, the name of the office where you turned in your application will stay confidential.

Maryland's Safe at Home Address Confidentiality Program can help protect the addresses of survivors of domestic violence and human trafficking. For details, call 1-800-633-9657, ext. 3875.

State Board of Elections Confidentiality Program can help protect the contact information of voters at risk in select scenarios. To apply, visit https://elections.maryland.gov/forms/voter.html

Am I eligible to vote?

To register to vote you must be:

- a U.S. citizen
- a Maryland resident
- at least 16 years old

You are not eligible to vote if you:

- are under guardianship for mental disability, or if you are, have not been found by a court to be unable to communicate a desire to vote
- have been convicted of buying or selling votes
- are currently serving a sentence of imprisonment for a felony conviction

What information is necessary to confirm I can register to vote?

- If you have a current, valid Maryland driver's license, learner's permit or MVA ID card, use that ID number.
- If you don't, you must write the last 4 digits of your Social Security number (Election Law § 3-202). This number is only used for registration and other administrative purposes and will be kept confidential.

What if I'm already registered to vote in another county or state?

- You must fill out Previous registration information (Section 10) if you are already registered in another Maryland county or in another state. We will then notify the appropriate voter registration agency.

Questions?

Visit the State Board of Elections website at **www.elections.maryland.gov** to verify your registration, find your polling place, and find out other important information.

If you have any questions, **call your County Board of Elections or the State Board of Elections** at the numbers listed on the back of the application.

Use of your information

- This form collects personal information for voter registration purposes.
- If you do not provide the required information, you cannot register or vote in Maryland.
- You can update your voter registration anytime through your County Board of Elections or by visiting vote.md.gov/Register.
- Most voter registration records are public and may be shared with jury commissioners/clerks or other government agencies, as allowed by law.
- Voter registration records cannot be used for commercial solicitation purposes.

WARNING

Giving false information on an application for voter registration is perjury, punishable by imprisonment for up to 10 years, and a violation of the election laws, punishable by a fine of up to $1,000, or by imprisonment for up to 5 years, or both.

Maryland Voter Registration Form

Please compete in BLACK INK. Detach form and fold where indicated to mail.

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Eligibility
Required

1

Are you a U.S. Citizen? ○ Yes ○ No

Are you are least 16 years old? ○ Yes ○ No

If you answer "No" in response to either of these questions, do not complete this form.

Reason
Required

2

Check boxes that apply and complete sections 3–9.

☐ New registration ☐ Name change ☐ Party affiliation change ☐ Address change

Voter information
Required

3

Last name	First name	Middle name	Suffix

Birthdate *(Not today's date)*

Month	Day	Year

Gender ○ Male ○ Female ○ Unspecified or Other

Verification
Required
Confidential
See instructions

4

MD Driver's License (DL) #, MD Learner's Permit # or MD Non-Driver ID #

Last 4 digits of your SSN

☐ I do not have either a current, valid Maryland driver's license / MVA ID card or a Social Security Number

Residence address
Required
(No PO boxes)

5

Address where you live	Apt or Lot #	City or Town	State	Zip Code
			MD	

Mailing address
If different from your address in section 5.

6

Address where you receive mail	Apt or Lot #	City or Town	State	Zip Code

Party affiliation
Check one box only.

7

You must register with a political party if you want to take part in that political party's primary election, caucus, or convention. Check one box only. If you do not choose a party, you will automatically be registered as unaffiliated.

○ Democratic ○ Green ○ Other — Specify _____

○ Republican ○ Working Class ○ Unaffiliated (independent of any party)

Contact information

8

Email address	Phone number

Signature
Required

9

I swear or affirm under penalty of perjury that:

- I am a U.S. citizen.
- I am a Maryland resident.
- I am at least 16 years old.
- I have not been convicted of buying or selling votes.
- I am not currently serving a prison sentence for a felony conviction.
- The information on this application is true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Voter, sign here (power of attorney not allowed)

X		Month	Day	Year

Today's Date

Previous registration information
(If applicable)

10

Last name	First name	Middle name	Suffix

Former address	Apt or Lot #	City or Town	State	Zip Code

Applicant's Return Address

_____

_____

_____



Place Stamp Here

County Board of Elections

_____

_____

_____

Fold here and close with adhesive strip to mail.

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410-887-5700

Calvert County
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410-535-2214

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403 S. Seventh Street, Suite
247 Denton, MD 21629-1378
410-479-8145

Carroll County
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21158
410-386-2080

Cecil County
200 Chesapeake Blvd.
Suite 1900
Elkton, MD 21921-6395
410-996-5310

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301-934-8972
301-870-3167

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410-228-2560

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301-334-6985

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410-313-5820

Kent County
135 Dixon Drive
Chestertown, MD 21620-1141
410-778-0038

Montgomery County
P.O. Box 4333
Rockville, MD 20849-4333
240-777-VOTE (8683)
TDD 800-735-2258

Prince George's County
1100 Mercantile Lane, Suite 115A
Largo, MD 20774
301-341-7300

Queen Anne's County
110 Vincit St, Suite 102
Centreville, MD 21617-0274
410-758-0832

St. Mary's County
P.O. Box 197 Leonardtown,
MD 20650-0197 301-475-4200
ext. *1625

Somerset County
P.O. Box 96
Princess Anne, MD 21853-0096
410-651-0767

Talbot County
P.O. Box 353
Easton, MD 21601-0353
410-770-8099

Washington County
17718 Virginia Avenue
Hagerstown, MD 21740-7084
240-313-2050

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To:

County Board of Elections

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Registro de votantes de Maryland

Hay tres maneras de registrarse para votar

1. Registrarse en línea

También puede registrarse para votar en línea.
Visite: vote.md.gov/VoterApply o escanee el código QR
Solicitudes por correo disponible en español, français, 中文 y 한국어.

Las solicitudes de registro de votantes de tipografía grande están disponibles a pedido en la Junta Electoral del Condado o la Junta Electoral Estatal.

2. Enviar por correo una solicitud de registro de votantes

¿Para qué puedo usar este formulario?

- Para registrarse para votar en las elecciones federales, estatales, del condado y municipales en Maryland.
- Para cambiar su nombre, dirección o afiliación a un partido.

3. Regístrese para votar durante la votación anticipada o el día de las elecciones.

Vaya a un centro de votación anticipada en el condado donde vive durante la votación anticipada, o diríjase al lugar de votación asignado el día de las elecciones y lleve un documento que demuestre dónde vive.

Instrucciones para el formulario de registro de votantes de Maryland

¿Cómo completo este formulario?

1. Complete las secciones 1 a 8 de la Solicitud de Registro de Votantes,
2. Si necesita presentar un cambio de nombre o de dirección, complete también la Sección 10.
3. Firme y ponga la fecha en la Sección 9.

Este formulario debe completarse con tinta negra.

¿Cómo puedo presentar este formulario?

1. Arranque este panel en la línea de puntos.
2. Envíe su solicitud completa por correo a la Junta Electoral de su condado. Las direcciones postales aparecen en el panel posterior.

- No envíe el formulario por fax ni correo electrónico, porque requiere una firma original.
- Presentar la Solicitud de Registro del Votante (VRA, en inglés) estatal a una persona que no sea un funcionario, empleado o agente de una junta local no garantiza que el formulario se presente o se presente a tiempo.

¿Cuál es la fecha límite para enviar mi solicitud por correo?

Para poder votar en las próximas elecciones, debe enviar su solicitud por correo al menos 21 días antes del día de las elecciones.

¿Qué puedo esperar después de presentar mi solicitud?

Si su solicitud está completa y reúne los requisitos, recibirá una Tarjeta de notificación electoral por correo.

¿Tengo que elegir un partido político?

- Solo tiene que elegir un partido si quiere votar en las elecciones primarias, el caucus o la convención de ese partido.
- Si lo hace, marque solo una casilla.

Confidencialidad

- A excepción de los artículos especificados como confidenciales, los archivos de registro de votantes generalmente están disponibles para el público.
- Si decide no registrarse para votar, esa elección se mantiene confidencial. Esta información solo se usa para fines de registro de votantes.
- Si se registra, el nombre de la oficina en la que entregó su solicitud se mantendrá confidencial.

El Programa de Confidencialidad de Direcciones Safe at Home de Maryland puede ayudar a proteger las direcciones de los sobrevivientes de la violencia doméstica y la trata de personas. Para obtener más información, llame al 1-800-633-9657, ext. 3875.

El Programa de Confidencialidad de la Junta Estatal de Elecciones puede ayudar a proteger la información de contacto de los votantes en riesgo en determinadas circunstancias. Para postularse, visite https://elections.maryland.gov/forms/voter.html

¿Tengo derecho a votar?

Para registrarse para votar, usted debe:

- ser ciudadano estadounidense
- ser residente de Maryland
- Tiene al menos 16 años de edad.

No es elegible para votar si:

- está bajo tutela por discapacidad mental o, si lo está, un tribunal no ha determinado que no puede comunicar su deseo de votar;
- ha sido condenado por comprar o vender votos;
- está cumpliendo actualmente una condena de prisión por un delito grave.

¿Qué información necesito para confirmar que puedo registrarme para votar?

- Si tiene una licencia de conducir, un permiso de aprendizaje o una tarjeta de identificación de la Administración de Vehículos Motorizados (MVA, en inglés) vigente y válida de Maryland, use ese número de identificación.
- Si no lo hace, debe escribir los últimos 4 dígitos de su número del Seguro Social (Ley Electoral § 3-202). Este número solo se utiliza para registro y otros fines administrativos y se mantendrá confidencial.

¿Qué sucede si ya estoy registrado para votar en otro condado o estado?

- Debe completar la información de registro anterior (Sección 10) si ya está registrado en otro condado de Maryland o en otro estado. Luego notificaremos a la agencia de registro de votantes correspondiente.

¿Tiene preguntas?

Visite el sitio web de la Junta Estatal de Elecciones en **www.elections.maryland.gov** para verificar su registro, encontrar su lugar de votación y obtener otra información importante.

Si tiene alguna pregunta, **llame a la Junta Electoral de su condado o a la Junta Electoral del Estado** a los números que figuran en el reverso de la solicitud.

Uso de su información

- Este formulario recopila información personal para fines de registro de votantes.
- Si no proporciona la información obligatoria, no puede registrarse ni votar en Maryland.
- Puede actualizar su registro de votante en cualquier momento a través de la Junta Electoral de su condado o visitando vote.md.gov/Register.
- La mayoría de los archivos de registro de votantes son públicos y pueden compartirse con las oficinas del jurado u otras agencias gubernamentales, según lo permita la ley.
- Los registros de registro de votantes no pueden utilizarse con fines de solicitud comercial.

ADVERTENCIA

Proporcionar información falsa en una solicitud de inscripción de votantes constituye perjurio, punible con una pena de prisión de hasta 10 años, y una infracción de las leyes electorales, punible con una multa de hasta $1,000, con una pena de prisión de hasta 5 años, o con ambas.

Formulario de registro de votantes de Maryland

Complete con TINTA NEGRA. Despegue el formulario y doble donde se indica para enviar por correo.

Junta Electoral del Estado de Maryland SBE Rev. 12/25 VRA

Elegibilidad **Obligatorio**

1

¿Usted es ciudadano de los Estados Unidos? ○ Sí ○ No

¿Tiene al menos 16 años? ○ Sí ○ No

Si responde "No" a cualquiera de estas preguntas, no complete este formulario.

Motivo **Obligatorio**

2

Marque las casillas correspondientes y complete las secciones 3 a 9.

☐ Nuevo registro ☐ Cambio de nombre ☐ Cambio de afiliación partidaria ☐ Cambio de dirección

Información del votante **Obligatorio**

3

Apellido	Nombre	Segundo nombre	Sufijo

Fecha de nacimiento *(No es la fecha de hoy)*

Mes	Día	Año

Género ○ Masculino ○ Femenino ○ Sin especificar u otro

Verificación **Obligatorio** **Confidencial**
Consulte las instrucciones

4

Número de licencia de conducir (DL, en inglés) de Maryland (MD, en inglés), Número de permiso de estudiante de MD o Número de identificación de no conductor de MD

Últimos 4 dígitos de su número del Seguro Social (SSN, en inglés)

☐ No tengo una licencia de conducir o tarjeta de identificación del MVA vigente y válida de Maryland ni un número de Seguro Social

Dirección residencial **Obligatorio**
(Sin apartados postales)

5

Dirección donde vive	Número de apartamento o lote	Ciudad o Pueblo	Estado	Código postal
			Maryland	

Dirección postal
Si es diferente a su dirección en la sección 5.

6

Dirección donde recibe correo	Número de apartamento o lote	Ciudad o Pueblo	Estado	Código postal

Afiliación a un partido
Marque solo una casilla.

7

Debe registrarse en un partido político si desea participar en las elecciones primarias, comités o convenciones de ese partido político. Marque solo una casilla. Si no elige un partido, se lo registrará automáticamente como no afiliado.

○ Democratic ○ Green ○ Otros — Especifique _____

○ Republican ○ Working Class ○ No afiliado (independiente de cualquier partido)

Información de contacto

8

Dirección de correo electrónico	Número de teléfono

Firma **Obligatorio**

9

Juro o prometo bajo pena de perjurio que:

- Soy ciudadano de los EE. UU.
- Soy residente de Maryland.
- Tengo al menos 16 años.
- No me han condenado por comprar o vender votos.
- Actualmente no estoy cumpliendo una sentencia de prisión por un delito grave.
- La información de esta solicitud es fiel a mi leal saber y entender, mi información y mis creencias.

Votante, firme aquí (no se permite el poder notarial)

X		Fecha de hoy: Mes	Día	Año

Información del registro previo
(Si corresponde)

10

Apellido	Nombre	Segundo nombre	Sufijo

Dirección anterior	Número de apartamento o lote	Ciudad o pueblo	Estado	Código postal

Junta Electoral del Condado

_____

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Colocar Estampilla Aqui

Para

_____

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Doblé aquí y cierre con cinta adhesiva para enviarlo por correo.

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Maryland
Instrucciones para solicitar una papeleta por correo

2025.06

Solicitar una papeleta por correo

Cualquier votante registrado puede usar este formulario para solicitar una papeleta por correo para las elecciones de Maryland.

Solicitar en línea

Ahorre tiempo y solicite una papeleta en línea en **vote.md.gov/NeedBallot**.

Necesitará una licencia de conducir de MD o una tarjeta de identificación emitida por la MVA para usar el formulario en línea.

¿Cómo devuelvo este formulario?

Devuelva su formulario completo y firmado a la oficina electoral local. Puede devolverlo por **correo**, fax o correo electrónico. También puede entregarlo en persona.

Busque la dirección de su oficina electoral local en **vote.md.gov/LBElist**.

Asegúrese de devolver este formulario antes de la fecha límite correcta que se indica a continuación.

¿Cómo recibiré la papeleta?

La forma principal de recibir su papeleta es por **correo**.

Enviaremos su papeleta a cualquier dirección que desee. También recibirá un sobre de retorno con franqueo prepago.

También tiene otras opciones. Podemos enviarle un enlace por correo electrónico para que pueda imprimir su papeleta, enviarle su papeleta por fax, o puede recogerla en persona. Si elige recoger su papeleta en persona, visite a la oficina electoral local mas o menos 45 días antes de las elecciones. Si desea que alguien recoja su papeleta por usted, debe proveer un formulario de Designación de Agente.

Obtenga este formulario en línea en **vote.md.gov/AgentSpanish**.

¿Cuándo recibiré mi papeleta?

Después de enviar este formulario, le enviaremos su papeleta de **30 a 45 días antes de la elección.**

Fechas límites para entregar este formulario

Su fecha límite depende de cómo entregue este formulario y de cómo desee recibir su papeleta. Si lo envía por correo o lo entrega en persona, debemos recibir su formulario en nuestra oficina antes de la fecha y hora límite. Las solicitudes recibidas después de esa fecha no cuentan.

Elección Primaria

Para recibir su boleta por correo o fax, debe enviar este formulario antes del martes, 16 de junio de 2026

¿La devolverá por correo o entrega en mano? Enviar antes de las 8pm.
¿La devolverá por correo electrónico o fax? Enviar antes de las 11:59pm.

Para imprimir su boleta desde un enlace enviado por correo electrónico, debe enviar este formulario antes del viernes, 19 de junio de 2026

¿La devolverá por correo o entrega en mano? Enviar antes de las 5pm.
¿La devolverá por correo electrónico o fax? Enviar antes de las 11:59pm.

Elección General

Para recibir su boleta por correo o fax, debe enviar este formulario antes del martes, 27 de octubre de 2026

¿La devolverá por correo o entrega en mano? Enviar antes de las 8pm.
¿La devolverá por correo electrónico o fax? Enviar antes de las 11:59pm.

Para imprimir su boleta desde un enlace enviado por correo electrónico, debe enviar este formulario antes del viernes, 30 de octubre de 2026

¿La devolverá por correo o entrega en mano? Enviar antes de las 5pm.
¿La devolverá por correo electrónico o fax? Enviar antes de las 11:59pm.

Rastrear su solicitud

Puede rastrear su solicitud y su papeleta en **vote.md.gov/search**.

Contacto

Maryland State Board of Elections
P.O. Box 6486
Annapolis, MD 21401-0486
800-222-8683
800-735-2258 (MD Relay Service)
elections.maryland.gov

Información en español

Si le interesa obtener este formulario en español, llame al 800-222-8683.

Puede solicitar este formulario en letra grande llame 800-222-8683.

Maryland
Solicitud de Maryland para una papeleta para votar por correo

Para votar por correo, debe estar registrado para votar en Maryland. Visite vote.md.gov/VoterSvcs para registrarse o actualizar su registro de votante.

Escriba la información del votante

Utilice tinta negra o azul.

1

Apellido _____ Jr, Sr., III, IV *(si aplica)* _____

Nombre _____ Segundo nombre o inicial _____

Fecha de nacimiento *(mm/dd/aaaa)* _____

Domicilio residencial

Provea la dirección donde esta registrado para votar.

No se permiten apartados de correos en esta seccíon.

2

Esta dirección debe ser igual a la de su registro de votante para que podamos compararla y enviarle la papeleta correcta.

Domicilio _____ Número de dpto. _____

Ciudad/Pueblo _____ Estado **MD** Código postal _____

Elija su partido político

Para votar en las primarias de un partido, debe eligir ese partido político.

3

- ◯ Democrático
- ◯ Republicano
- ◯ No afiliado *(ninguno partido político)*
- ◯ Verde
- ◯ Partido de la Clase Trabajadora
- ◯ Otro: _____

Elección

Puede registrarse para recibir una boleta por correo en las próximas elecciones o de forma permanente.

4

- ◯ Elección Primaria **solamente** - 23 de junio de 2026
- ◯ Elección General **solamente** - 3 de noviembre de 2026
- ◯ **Tanto** la Elección Primaria como la General de 2026
- ◯ Quiero recibir una papeleta por correo para **todas las elecciones ESTATALES y FEDERALES futuras**

¿Cómo quiere recibir la papeleta?

Si elige la opción B, le enviaremos un enlace por correo electrónico para imprimir su papeleta unas 3 semanas antes de la elección.

*Si elige la opción B o C, utilizaremos la información de su papeleta para marcarle una papeleta que pueda escanearse. Luego escanearemos esa papeleta.

Si elige la opción B or C, deberá usar su proprio sobre y sello para enviar su papeleta por correo. O puede entregarlo en su oficina electoral local o en una caja de entrega (cuando esté disponible).

Consulte las instrucciones para conocer los plazos.

5

Elija A, B o C *(elija solo 1)*

A ◯ **Enviar por correo de EE.UU.**

- ◯ **Igual** que la dirección residencial que figura en la sección 2
- ◯ Una dirección **diferente** o un apartado de correo: Domicilio _____ Número de dpto. _____ Ciudad _____ Estado _____ Código postal _____

B ◯ **Enviar un enlace por correo electrónico para imprimir mi papeleta**

Dirección de correo electrónico _____

Y

Número de licencia de conducir o tarjeta de identificación de la MVA ☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐

Fecha de emisión *(mm/dd/aaaa)* _____

O

Los últimos 4 dígitos de seguro social son X X X - X X - ☐☐☐☐

C ◯ **Enviar por fax**

Número de Fax _____

Actualizaciones del estado de la boleta

Para recibir información sobre su boleta, debe indicar su número de celular o dirección de correo electrónico.

6

¿Cómo prefiere recibir actualizaciones sobre su boleta? *(elija 1)*

- ◯ Mensaje de texto *(número de celular habilitado para recibir mensajes de texto)* _____
- ◯ Dirección de correo electrónico _____

Firma

Obligatorio.

Usa un bolígrafo. No se permiten firmas electrónicas.

Cualquiera puede ayudarlo a completar este formulario excepto

- un candidato en su papeleta
- su empleador o un agente de su empleador
- un funcionario o agente de su sindicato

7

Votante, firme y feche el formulario aquí *(Obligatorio)*

X		Fecha de hoy *(mm/dd/aaaa)*

Asistente, firme aquí *(obligatorio si el votante tuvo ayuda)*

Bajo pena de perjurio, por el presente certifico que este votante necesitaba ayuda con este formulario porque tiene una discapacidad o no puede leer ni escribir. El votante me autorizó a completar este formulario. Si el votante no pudo firmar este formulario, escribí el nombre del votante y mis iniciales.

X		Escribir el nombre de votante

Maryland
Cómo encontrar su oficina electoral local

Allegany County
701 Kelly Rd., Ste. 231
Cumberland, MD 21502
301-777-5931
301-777-2430 (fax)
elections@alleganygov.org

Anne Arundel County
6740 Baymeadow Dr.
P.O. Box 490
Glen Burnie, MD 21060
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elections@aacounty.org

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Westminster, MD 21157
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301-870-3167
301-934-6487 (fax)
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electionboard@
frederickcountymd.gov

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410-313-5833 (fax)
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410-778-0265 (fax)
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absentee@montgomerycountymd.gov

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301-726-3352 (TDD)
301-341-7399 (fax)
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Maryland
Mail-in Ballot Request Instructions

2025.06

Request a mail-in ballot

Any registered voter can use this form to request a mail-in ballot for Maryland elections.

Request online

Save time and request a ballot online at **vote.md.gov/NeedBallot**.

You will need a MD driver's license or MVA-issued ID card to use the online form.

How do I return this form?

Return your completed signed form to your local board of elections. You can return it by **mail**, fax, email. You can also drop it off in person.

Find your local board of elections address at **vote.md.gov/LBElist**.

Make sure to return this form by the correct deadline listed below.

How will I receive my ballot?

The primary way to receive your ballot is by **mail**.

We can mail your ballot to any address you want. You will also receive a return envelope with prepaid postage.

You also have other options. We can email you a link so you can **print your ballot**, we can fax your ballot, or you can pick it up in person.

If you choose to pick up your ballot in person, go to your local election office about 45 days before an election. If you want somebody to pick up your ballot for you, you must provide a Designation of Agent form. Find this form at **vote.md.gov/MDagent**.

When will I receive my ballot?

After you submit this form, we will send your ballot about **30-45 days before the election**.

Deadlines to return this form

Your deadline depends on how you return this form and on how you want to receive your ballot. If you mail or hand deliver your request, your form **must be in the office** before the deadline. Postmarks don't count.

Primary Election

To receive your ballot by mail or fax, you must submit this form by Tuesday, June 16, 2026

Returning by mail or hand delivery? Submit by 8pm.
Returning by email or fax? Submit by 11:59pm.

To print your ballot from an emailed link, You must submit this form by Friday, June 19, 2026

Returning by mail or hand delivery? Submit by 5pm.
Returning by email or fax? Submit by 11:59pm.

General Election

To receive your ballot by mail or fax, you must submit this form by Tuesday, October 27, 2026

Returning by mail or hand delivery? Submit by 8pm.
Returning by email or fax? Submit by 11:59pm.

To print your ballot from an emailed link, You must submit this form by Friday, October 30, 2026

Returning by mail or hand delivery? Submit by 5pm.
Returning by email or fax? Submit by 11:59pm.

Track your request status

You can track your request and your ballot at **vote.md.gov/search**.

Contact

Maryland State Board of Elections
P.O. Box 6486
Annapolis, MD 21401-0486
800-222-8683
800-735-2258 (MD Relay Service)
elections.maryland.gov

Información en español

Si le interesa obtener este formulario en español, llame al 800-222-8683.

You can ask for this form in large type. Call 800-222-8683.

Maryland Mail-in Ballot Request Form

To vote by mail, you must be registered to vote in Maryland. Visit vote.md.gov/VoterSvcs to register or update your voter record.

1 Print voter information

Use blue or black ink.

Last name _____ Suffix (Jr., Sr., III, IV, *if applicable* _____

First name _____ Middle name or initial _____

Date of birth *(mm/dd/yyyy)* _____

2 Residential address

Provide the address where you are registered to vote.

No P.O. Boxes in this section.

This address must match your voter registration so that we can send the correct ballot for your precinct or ward.

Street _____ Unit # _____

City _____ State **MD** Zip _____

3 Political party affiliation

To vote in a party's primary, you must choose that political party.

- ◯ Democratic
- ◯ Republican
- ◯ Unaffiliated (independent of any party)
- ◯ Green
- ◯ Working Class
- ◯ Other: _____

4 Election

You can sign up for a mail-in ballot for upcoming elections or for all future elections.

- ◯ June 23, 2026 Primary Election **only**
- ◯ November 3, 2026 General Election **only**
- ◯ **Both** the 2026 Primary and General Elections
- ◯ I would like to receive a mail-in ballot for **all future federal and state elections**

5 Where should we send your ballot?

If you choose option B, we will email you a link to print your ballot about 3 weeks before the election.

*If you choose option B or C, we will use the information on your ballot to mark a scannable ballot for you. Then we will scan that ballot.

If you choose option B or C, you will need to use your own envelope and stamp to return your ballot by mail. Or you can deliver it to your election office or a drop box (when available).

Please see the instructions for deadlines.

Choose A, B, or C *(only choose 1)*

A ◯ **Send my ballot by U.S. Mail to**

- ◯ **Same** as residential address in section 2
- ◯ Or a **different** address or P.O. Box: Street _____ Unit # _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

B ◯ **Email a link to print my ballot**

Email _____

AND

MD Driver's License or ID Card # ☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐

Issue date *(mm/dd/yyyy)* _____

OR

Last 4 digits of your Social Security # X X X - X X - ☐☐☐☐

C ◯ **Fax my ballot**

Fax _____

6 Ballot status updates

To receive updates about your ballot, you must provide your cell phone or email address.

How should we send you updates on your ballot? *(choose 1)*

- ◯ Text message *(cell phone that can receive text messages)* _____
- ◯ Email _____

7 Signature

Required

Use a pen. No electronic signatures allowed.

Anyone can help you fill out this form except

- A candidate on your ballot
- Your employer or an agent of your employer
- An officer or agent from your union.

Voter, sign and date here *(Required)*

X		Date *(mm/dd/yyyy)*

Assistant, sign here *(Required if the voter received help on this form)*

Under penalty of perjury, I hereby certify that this voter needed help with this form because he or she has a disability or is unable to read or write. The voter authorized me to complete this form. If the voter could not sign this form, I printed the voter's name and wrote my initials.

X		Print voter name

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Maryland Voter Assistance Form

ASSISTANCE

Use this form if a voter asks for help with voting. The helper can only do the following things:

- Read instructions, ballot content, or the provisional ballot application
- Fill out a provisional ballot application as directed by the voter
- Mark or cast the ballot, or operate the voting equipment

Voter Information

This part must be completed by the election judge.

1

Name of Voter _____

Street _____ Unit # _____

City _____ State **MD** Zip _____

The voter named above has asked for help with voting. The helper is:

◯ A person chosen by the voter (**Go to Part 2**)

◯ Two election judges (**Go to Part 3**)

For a helper who was chosen by the voter

This part must be completed by the helper.

2

Name of helper _____

Street _____ Unit # _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

I affirm that:

1. I am not the voter's employer or agent of the voter's employer;
2. I am not an officer or agent of the voter's union;
3. I have not been appointed as a challenger or watcher for this election;
4. I am not a candidate who is on the voter's ballot;
5. The voter asked me to help mark or cast their ballot, or to help fill out a provisional ballot application;
6. I will only help the voter in these ways:
   - A. read the instructions, ballot content, or the provisional ballot application;
   - B. fill out a provisional ballot application as directed by the voter;
   - C. mark or cast the ballot, or operate the voting equipment
7. I will not suggest how the voter should vote in any contest or question or influence the voter in any way.

Helper, sign and date here *(Required)*

X		Today's Date *(mm/dd/yyyy)*

For the election judges helping the voter

This part must be completed by two judges of different parties.

3

Election judge, sign here *(Required)*

X		Party Affiliation

Election judge, sign here *(Required)*

X		Party Affiliation

Formulario de asistencia al votante de Maryland

ASISTENCIA

Utilice este formulario si un votante solicita asistencia para votar. El asistente sólo puede hacer lo siguiente:

- Leer las instrucciones, el contenido de la boleta o la solicitud de voto provisional.
- Rellenar una solicitud de voto provisional según las indicaciones del votante.
- Marcar o depositar la boleta, o utilizar los dispositivos de votación.

Voter Information

This part must be completed by the election judge.

1

Name of Voter _____

Street _____ Unit # _____

City _____ State **MD** Zip _____

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Para un asistente elegido por el votante

Esta parte debe ser completada por el asistente.

2

Nombre del asistente _____

Calle _____ No. _____

Ciudad _____ Estado _____ Código postal _____

Afirmo que:

1. No soy el empleador del votante ni agente del empleador del votante;
2. No soy funcionario ni agente del sindicato de votantes;
3. No he sido designado impugnador ni vigilante para estas elecciones;
4. No soy un candidato que figure en la boleta electoral;
5. El votante me pidió que lo asistiera a marcar o depositar la boleta, o que le ayudara a rellenar una solicitud de voto provisional;
6. Sólo ayudaré al votante a:
   - A. leer las instrucciones, el contenido de la boleta o la solicitud de voto provisional;
   - B. rellenar una solicitud de voto provisional según las indicaciones del votante;
   - C. marcar o depositar la boleta, o utilizar los dispositivos de votación
7. No sugeriré al votante cómo debe votar en ningún debate o asunto, ni influiré en él de ningún modo.

Asistente, firme y escriba la fecha aquí *(Obligatorio)*

X		Fecha de hoy *(mm/dd/aaaa)*

For the election judges helping the voter

This part must be completed by two judges of different parties.

3

Election judge, sign here *(Required)*

X		Party Affiliation

Election judge, sign here *(Required)*

X		Party Affiliation

YOUR VOICE MATTERS →

VOTE AND BE HEARD

EXERCISE YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE

1 SEE IF YOU CAN VOTE

YOU **CAN** VOTE **IF**:
You are awaiting trial for any charge, including a felony, and have not otherwise had your right to vote revoked.

OR

You are serving time for a misdemeanor conviction.

YOU CANNOT VOTE IF AND **ONLY** IF:
You are currently serving time for a felony conviction.

BUT

You will become eligible to vote after leaving your correctional facility, even while on probation.

2 OBTAIN APPLICATION MATERIALS

Ask for a voter registration and mail-in ballot application packet, which can be obtained from administration and resource fairs.

3 COMPLETE YOUR APPLICATIONS

Mail them in or drop them in the ballot drop box at your facility before the following deadlines:

- **June 2** — Deadline for voter registration.
- **June 16**— Deadline to request a mail-in ballot.

4 VOTE!

Once you have received your ballot you can vote for Governor and other important elected positions. Mail it in or drop it in your facility's drop box by election day, **June 23**.

Maryland State Board of Elections
elections.maryland.gov
1-800-222-8683



MD VOTES

VOTE BY MAIL



1. REGISTER to vote by mailing a Voter Registration Form by **JUNE 2.**

2. REQUEST a mail-in ballot by mailing a Request Form by **JUNE 16.**

3. RECEIVE your ballot.

4. COMPLETE your ballot.



5. SIGN the envelope.



6. RETURN by dropbox or mail. Ensure the envelope is postmarked by **8:00 p.m.** on **JUNE 23.**

Learn more about registering, requesting a ballot, and voting by calling 1-800-222-8683.

SU OPINIÓN IMPORTA ⟶

VOTE Y HÁGASE ESCUCHAR

EJERZA SU DERECHO AL VOTO

1 CONSULTE SI PUEDE VOTAR

PUEDE VOTAR **EN LOS SIGUIENTES CASOS:** Si está a la espera de juicio por cualquier cargo, incluido un delito mayor, y no se le ha revocado el derecho de voto por ningún otro motivo.

O

Si está cumpliendo una condena por un delito menor.

NO PODRÁ VOTAR ÚNICAMENTE EN LOS SIGUIENTES CASOS:
Si está cumpliendo una condena por un delito grave.

PERO

Podrá ser elegible para votar después de salir de su establecimiento penitenciario, incluso mientras esté en libertad condicional.

2 OBTENGA LOS MATERIALES

Pida un paquete de solicitud de registro del votante y de papeleta por correo, que se pueden obtener en la administración y las feriasde recursos.

3 RELLENE SUS SOLICITUDES

Envíelas por correo o deposítelas en el punto de entrega de papeletas de su establecimiento antes de los siguientes plazos:

- **2 de junio:** — Fecha límite para el registro de votantes.
- **16 de junio:** — Fecha límite para solicitar una papeleta por correo.

4 ¡VOTE!

Una vez que haya recibido su papeleta, podrá votar para gobernador/a y otros cargos electos importantes. Envíe la por correo o deposítela en el punto de entrega de su establecimiento antes del día de las elecciones, el **23** de **junio**.

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Maryland Vota

VOTE POR CORREO



1. REGÍSTRESE para votar enviando un formulario de registro de votantes por correo antes del **2 DE JUNIO.**

2. SOLICITE una papeleta por correo enviando un formulario de solicitud antes del **16 DE JUNIO.**

3. RECIBA su papeleta.

4. COMPLETE su papeleta.



5. FIRME el sobre.



6.DEVUÉLVALO en el punto de entrega o por correo. Fechar con sello postal antes de **las 8:00 p.m. del 23 DE JUNIO.**

Obtenga más información sobre cómo registrarse, cómo solicitor una papeleta y la votación llamando al 1-800-222-8683.