

Absentee Voting in Arkansas

If you are a registered voter in Arkansas but you will not be able to make it to the polls you can still vote by requesting an absentee ballot. An absentee ballot is sent to you in the mail and you can fill it out and return it by mail or in person.

To receive an absentee ballot, you need to request an <u>Absentee Ballot Application</u> by contacting your County Clerk in the county where you are registered to vote.

You can also download an absentee ballot application online at:

https://www.sos.arkansas.gov/uploads/elections/Absentee_Ballot_Application.pdf

Please contact your Arkansas County Clerk with any questions about the absentee voting process. If you don't know how to contact your County Clerk you can find that information here:

https://www.sos.arkansas.gov/uploads/elections/county_clerks_for_website.pdf

Can I vote Absentee?

There are four ways to qualify for an absentee ballot:

- 1. You will be unavoidably absent from your polling site on election day
- 2. You will be unable to attend your polling site on election day due to illness or physical disability
- You are a member of the Uniformed Services, or a spouse or dependent family member, and are away from your polling location due to the member's active duty status
- 4. You are a U.S. citizen who is temporarily living outside of the United States.

Deadline for Submitting your Absentee Ballot Application:

(A Designated Bearer is anyone you choose to pick up or deliver your application or ballot)

In Person: by close of business the day BEFORE the election

By Designated Bearer or Administrator: by close of business the day BEFORE the election

By Mail: by 7 days before the election

By Authorized Agent: by 1:30 p.m. ON Election Day.

An Authorized Agent must give the County Clerk an affidavit from the administrator of a hospital or nursing home saying that the applicant is a patient of a hospital or long-term care or residential care facility licensed by the state and will be unable to vote on Election Day at their regular polling site.

Deadline for Delivery of Completed Ballot to County Clerk:

In Person: by close of business the day BEFORE the election

By Designated Bearer: by 7:30 p.m. ON Election Day

By Mail: received at clerk's office by 7:30 p.m.

ON Election Day You may NOT fax or email a ballot.

For More Information or Assistance

Contact: Disability Rights Arkansas 400 W. Capitol Ave., Suite 1200 Little Rock, AR 72202 www.disabilityrightsar.org 800-482-1174