

Notice to Voters

Due to COVID-19, all 2020 General Election voters are encouraged to cast a ballot prior to Election Day on November 3, either by mail or during early voting. Voting by mail is an easy option for voters, and you can request a vote by mail ballot through email, mail, online, or in person.

Step 1: Complete an Application for a Vote by Mail Ballot

Pursuant to Public Act 101-642, an application for vote by mail is enclosed for your convenience, or you can submit an application online through your election authority's website. Your ballot can be mailed to the address where you are registered, or any address that you specify on your application.

Step 2: Submit Your Application for Ballot to Your Election Authority

Your application must be submitted by one of the following methods:

1. Mail delivery or in-person delivery to the address listed on the application
2. Send a scanned copy or photo of the application to your election authority
3. Apply for a vote by mail ballot through your election authority's website

Applications for Vote by Mail Ballots must be received by October 29, 2020, if sent through the mail, or by November 2, 2020, if delivered in person.

Step 3: Receive Your Ballot in the Mail

For voters who return their applications early, ballots will be mailed out starting on September 24, 2020, and the voter should receive them no later than October 5, 2020.

For applications received after voting by mail has started on September 24, 2020, the ballots will be mailed within two business days after our office receives the application. If you do not receive your ballot or have questions, you may contact our office at (309) 582-7021 or by email at sblaser@mercercountyil.org.

Step 4: Vote and Return Your Ballot

Your ballot may be returned to the election authority by mail, or delivered in person. In person delivery can be by either the voter or by any person authorized by the voter, or by a company licensed as a motor carrier of property by the Illinois Commerce Commission under the Illinois Commercial Transportation Law, which is engaged in the business of making deliveries. If delivered, the ballot must be received by the election authority prior to the polls closing (at 7:00 PM) on Election Day: November 3, 2020. If mailed, you must affix postage, and the ballot must be postmarked by Election Day (please note that special rules apply to a voter who has been admitted to a hospital, nursing home or rehabilitation center within 14 days of the election; you may contact your election authority for further information if this is your situation).

You may confirm receipt of your ballot by your election authority on their website, or by calling their office.

APPLICATION FOR VOTE BY MAIL BALLOT

Applicant's Name	
Street Address	
City, State, Zip	
County	
Date of Birth*	
Phone Number*	
Email*	
To be voted at the	GENERAL Election
Date of Election	NOVEMBER 3, 2020
Precinct	

For Election Authority's Use Only	
Ballot Style:	
Voter ID:	

For Election Judge's Use Only	
Initials:	
Voter's Consecutive Number:	
(Primary Only) I request a ballot for the: _____ Party.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Check here if you would like a nonpartisan ballot (referenda only)	

*Optional information; even though this is not required, providing it may aid in the processing of your ballot

I certify that I reside at the address specified above, in the stated precinct and county, that I have lived at such address for 30 days or more preceding this election, that I am lawfully entitled to vote in such precinct at said election to be held therein, and that I wish to vote by vote by mail ballot.

I hereby make application for an official ballot or ballots to be voted by me at such election, and I agree that I shall return such ballot or ballots to the official issuing the same prior to the closing of the polls on the date of the election or, if returned by mail, postmarked no later than election day, for counting no later than during the period for counting provisional ballots, the last day of which is the 14th day following election day.

I understand that this application is made for an official vote by mail ballot or ballots to be voted by me at the election specified in this application and that I must submit a separate application for an official vote by mail ballot or ballots to be voted by me at any subsequent election.

Under penalties as provided by law pursuant to 10 ILCS 5/29-10, the undersigned certifies that the statements set forth in this application are true and correct.

Signature of Applicant

Today's Date

Address to which ballot should be mailed:
(if different from above)

IMPORTANT: You must return the completed and signed application to the election authority with jurisdiction over your registration. This application may be submitted via email, through the jurisdiction's website (where available), through the mail, or by personal delivery. If submitting in by mail, please direct it to:

**Mercer County Clerk
100 SE 3RD STREET
ALEDO, IL 61231**