

Hawaii

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DEADLINES	Presidential Primary* N/A	State Primary August 11, 2012	General Election November 6, 2012
Registration	N/A	July 12, 2012	October 8, 2012
Ballot Request	N/A	August 4, 2012	October 30, 2012
Ballot Return	N/A	August 11, 2012	November 6, 2012

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

Information is current as of October 2011. Check www.fvap.gov for updates.

*Hawaii has a Caucus system for selecting Presidential Nominees.

Registering and Requesting Your Absentee Ballot

The Federal Post Card Application registers you to vote and requests absentee ballots for all regularly scheduled Federal elections for the calendar year in which it is submitted.

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

Block 1: Select the category that describes you.

Block 3: Name (Last, First, Middle)

Block 4: Sex

Date of Birth

Enter your Social Security number. If you do not have a Social Security number, provide a copy of a document issued from the Social Security Administration stating that you were never issued one. The local election office shall assign you a number for voter registration purposes.

Block 5: Recommended but not required. Provide your contact information to allow your local election official to follow up if more information is required.

Block 6: Hawaii allows you to receive your ballot by fax or email. Please rank your preference of how you would like to receive your absentee ballot. Provide your fax number or email address in Block 5. If you do not make a selection, your local election official will mail your ballot to you.

Block 7: Complete street address of your Hawaii voting residence. A post office box is not sufficient. If your

address includes a rural route, describe its location in Block 9. This address must be within the county where you claim legal voting residence.

Block 8: Complete address where you want your ballot sent, usually where you live now.

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

Affirmation: Sign and date. No witness or notary required. If you are unable to sign, your mark must be witnessed by another individual 18 years or older.

How and Where to Submit Your FPCA:

Hawaii allows you to submit the FPCA by mail, email or fax.

If you choose to mail your FPCA, mail the form directly to your local election office. Addresses can be found at the end of this section.

If you choose to email your FPCA, you should send the form as a signed, scanned attachment. Email directly to your local election office. Email addresses can be found at: www.hawaii.gov/elections.

If you choose to fax your FPCA, fax the form directly to your local election official. Fax numbers can be found at www.hawaii.gov/elections. You may also use the DoD Electronic Transmission Service to fax your FPCA toll-free. To use the Electronic Transmission Service, use the cover sheet available in Chapter 1 or at www.fvap.gov, and fax to: (703) 693-5527, DSN 223-5527, or toll-free from the U.S., Canada, Guam, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands to 1-

800-368-8683. International toll-free numbers can be found on the inside back cover or at www.fvap.gov.

Follow-Up on Your FPCA

To find out the status of your registration/absentee ballot request, contact your local election office. Contact information can be found at: www.hawaii.gov/elections.

Your jurisdiction will contact you if your application is denied.

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

U.S. citizens who have never resided in the U.S. but have a parent who is eligible to vote in Hawaii are eligible to vote at the same voting residence claimed by their parent (for Federal office ballots only).

Voting Your Ballot

Local election officials send ballots no later than 45 days before an election.

Voted ballots must be received by the local election office by the close of polls on Election Day.

No witness or notary is required on voted ballots.

You may return the voted ballot by mail (or by fax only if you requested the blank ballot by fax within 5 days before the election). If returning the ballot by fax, you must submit a waiver of secrecy with it. The faxed waiver and ballot must be received by the local election office no later than 6 pm on Election Day. Use FPCA fax instructions under “How and Where to Submit Your FPCA.”

Overseas uniformed service members and their family members with access to the Military Postal Service, may use the “Prepaid Expedited Mail- Label 11-DOD”. This label is available at APO/FPO locations and can only be used for the general election. It provides expedited mail service up to seven days prior to the election. You can return your ballot with this label attached at any MPO/FPO, American embassy or consulate. A portion of the label is retained by you for tracking your ballot through the U.S. Postal Service.

Tracking Your Ballot

Once received at the local election office, you may also track the status of your voted ballot at:
http://hawaii.gov/elections/info/uocava_receipt_of_ballots.

Recommended Mailing Dates for the November 2012 General Election

Send your FPCA by August 15, 2012 to ensure that you receive your ballot in time to vote and return it to be counted.

- Voters in Iraq, Afghanistan, ships at sea, and other overseas locations without access to the military postal system should send voted ballots by October 6, 2012
- Voters in other overseas military installations should send voted ballots by October 13, 2012
- Stateside Uniformed Service members and their families should send voted ballots by October 29, 2012.

If you do not receive your State absentee ballot by October 2, 2012, use the Federal Write-in Absentee Ballot. If you receive your State absentee ballot, vote and return it. If both ballots are received by the deadline, only the State ballot will be counted.

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

Hawaii allows you to use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) for voting in general elections for Federal office. If you have requested your absentee ballot, feel free to use the FWAB to vote anytime before an election.

Complete the Following Blocks of the FWAB's Voter Declaration/ Affirmation:

Block 1: Hawaii does not allow you to use this form for registration. Do not check the registration box.

Block 2: Select the category that describes you.

Block 3: Name (Last, First, Middle)

Block 4: Date of Birth

Enter your Social Security number or your assigned voter registration number.

Block 5: Recommended but not required. Provide your contact information to allow your local election official to follow up if more information is required.

Block 7: Complete street address of your Hawaii voting residence. A post office box is not sufficient. If your

address includes a rural route, describe its location in Block 9. This address must be within the county where you claim legal voting residence.

Block 8: Enter your current mailing address.

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

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

Vote Your FWAB:

Vote for any Federal office in a general election. To find out the races and candidates for which you can vote, go to www.hawaii.gov/elections. For each office for which you vote, write in either a candidate's name or a political party designation. Once the ballot is complete, fold and place it in the security envelope and seal. Place only the voted ballot in the security envelope and do not write on the security envelope.

How and Where to Submit Your FWAB:

The deadlines for submitting the FWAB are the same as for regular State absentee ballots. If you receive the regular ballot after submitting the voted FWAB, you may also vote and return the regular ballot. If both ballots are received by the deadline, only the regular ballot will be counted.

When mailing your FWAB, insert the sealed security envelope and the Voter's Declaration/Affirmation into the

mailing envelope and mail your FWAB to your local election official.

You may also use the DoD Electronic Transmission Service to fax your FWAB toll-free. To use the Electronic Transmission Service, use the cover sheet available in Chapter 1 or at www.fvap.gov, and fax to: (703) 693-5527, DSN 223-5527, or toll-free from the U.S., Canada, Guam, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands to 1-800-368-8683. International toll-free numbers can be found on the inside back cover or at www.fvap.gov. Include ballot, voter affirmation, and cover sheet with secrecy waiver.

Local Election Office Addresses

Addressee	Mailing Address
Hawaii	Hawaii County Clerk 25 Aupuni Street, Room 1502 Hilo, HI 96720-4245 Fax: (808) 961-8673 Email: hiloelec@co.hawaii.hi.us
Honolulu	Honolulu County Clerk 530 S. King Street, Room 100 Honolulu, HI 96813-3099 Fax: (808) 768-3835 Email: clerks@honolulu.gov
Kauai	Kauai County Clerk 4386 Rice Street, Room 101 Lihue, HI 96766-1819 Fax: (808) 241-6207 Email: elections@kauai.gov
Maui	Maui County Clerk 200 S. High Street, Room 708 Wailuku, HI 96793-2155 Fax: (808) 270-7171 Email: county.clerk@mauicounty.us

