

# Washington

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| <b>DEADLINES</b>      | <b>State Primary<br/>August 17, 2010</b>   | <b>General Election<br/>November 2, 2010</b>  |
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| <b>Registration</b>   | August 17, 2010  | November 2, 2010  |
| <b>Ballot Request</b> | August 17, 2010  | November 2, 2010  |
| <b>Ballot Return</b>  | <b>Signed and Dated by:</b><br>August 17, 2010<br><b>Received by:</b><br>September 1, 2010 | <b>Signed and Dated by:</b><br>November 2, 2010<br><b>Received by:</b><br>November 23, 2010 |

**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 November 2009. Check [www.fvap.gov](http://www.fvap.gov) for updates.

## Registering and Requesting Your Absentee Ballot

The Federal Post Card Application permanently registers you to vote and requests absentee ballots for all regularly scheduled Federal elections. Alternately, if you have a valid Washington State Driver's License or State identification card, you may complete your voter registration online or download a paper application at [www.vote.wa.gov](http://www.vote.wa.gov).

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

**Block 1:** Select the category that describes you.

**Block 2.a:** Name (Last, First, Middle)

**Block 2.e:** Date of Birth

**Blocks 2.f and 2.g:** Your valid Washington Driver's License number OR the last four digits of your Social Security number is required for voter registration. If you do not possess either of these identification numbers, the State shall assign a number that will serve to identify you for voter registration purposes.

**Blocks 2.h through 2.j:** Recommended but not required. Provide your contact information to allow your local election official to follow up if more information is required.

**Blocks 3.a through 3.e:** Complete street address of your Washington voting residence. A post office box is not sufficient. If your address includes a rural route, describe its location in Block 6. This address must be within the county where you claim legal voting residence.

**Block 4.a:** Complete address where you want your ballot sent, usually where you live now.

**Block 4.c:** Washington allows you to receive your absentee ballot by mail, email, or fax. Check how you would like to receive your absentee ballot. Provide your email address or fax number in Block 2. If you do not make a selection, then your local election official will mail your ballot to you.

**Block 6:** In addition to mailing a regular ballot, Washington provides a State Special Write-In Absentee Ballot up to 90 days before the election to any voter unable to vote using the regular absentee voting process. This ballot allows you to vote in local, State and Federal elections. To request it, write in Block 6: "I am unable to vote and return a regular absentee ballot by normal mail delivery within the time provided for regular absentee ballots. I request a special write-in absentee ballot."

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

**Block 7:** Sign and date. No witness or notary required.

### How and Where to Submit Your FPCA:

Washington 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.secstate.wa.gov/elections/auditors.aspx](http://www.secstate.wa.gov/elections/auditors.aspx). If you are using the FPCA to register, you must also submit it by mail.

If you choose to fax your FPCA, fax the form directly to your local election official. If you are using the FPCA to register, you must also submit it by mail. Fax numbers can be found at [www.vote.wa.gov](http://www.vote.wa.gov). 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](http://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](http://www.fvap.gov).

### Follow-Up on Your FPCA

To find out the status of your registration/absentee ballot request, contact your local election office or refer to Washington's voter registration verification website at: [www.vote.wa.gov](http://www.vote.wa.gov) and click the MyVote icon.

Your jurisdiction will contact you regarding the status of your application.

### Ballot Request by Phone, Fax, or Email

You may request a ballot or change your mailing address by calling, faxing, or emailing your local election official. Phone numbers, fax numbers, or email addresses can be found at [www.vote.wa.gov](http://www.vote.wa.gov).

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

A U.S. citizen who was born abroad and who is eligible to vote and who has never lived in the U.S. may register and vote in the county where a parent would be eligible to register and vote. Use the most recent residential address in Washington of a family member.

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## Voting Your Ballot

Local election officials send absentee ballots approximately 30 days before elections.

**Voted ballots must be received by the local election office 15 days after primaries and special elections and 21 days after general elections. The oath accompanying your voted ballot must be signed and dated no later than Election Day.**

No witness or notary is required on voted ballots.

Voted ballots must be returned by mail.

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## Recommended Mailing Dates for the November 2010 General Election

Send your FPCA by August 15, 2010 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 2, 2010
- Voters in other overseas military installations should send voted ballots by October 9, 2010
- Stateside Uniformed Service members and their families should send voted ballots by October 25, 2010.

If you do not receive your State absentee ballot by October 2, 2010, 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.

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

Washington allows you to use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) for registering and voting in primary and general elections for local, State and Federal offices. 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.a:** Select the category that describes you.

**Block 1.b:** Washington allows you to use this form for registration.

**Block 2.a:** Name (Last, First, Middle)

**Block 2.e:** Date of Birth

**Blocks 2.f and 2.g:** Enter your valid Washington Driver's License number, the last four digits of your Social Security, OR your State voter registration number. If you do not possess either of these identification numbers, the State shall assign a number that will serve to identify you for voter registration purposes.

**Blocks 2.h through 2.j:** Recommended but not required. Provide your contact information to allow your local election official to follow up if more information is required.

**Blocks 3.a through 3.e:** Complete street address of your Washington voting residence. A post office box is not sufficient. If your address includes a rural route, describe its location in Block 6. This address must be within the county where you claim legal voting residence.

**Block 4.a:** Enter your current mailing address.

**Block 6:** Provide any information that may assist the local election official in accepting this ballot or application.

**Block 7:** Sign and date. No witness or notary required.

### Vote Your FWAB:

Vote for any local, State or Federal office in any primary or general election. To find out the races and candidates for which you can vote, go to [www.vote.wa.gov](http://www.vote.wa.gov). For each office for which you vote, write in a candidate's name. 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 FWAB must be received by the local election office by the ballot return deadline. If you receive the State ballot after submitting the voted FWAB, you may also vote and return the State ballot. If both ballots are received by the deadline, only the State ballot will be counted.

Insert the sealed security envelope and the Voter's Declaration/Affirmation into the mailing envelope and mail your FWAB directly to your local election official.

## Local Election Office Addresses

| County   | Mailing Address   |
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| Adams    | Adams County Auditor<br>210 W. Broadway Ave, Ste 200<br>Ritzville, WA 99169-1897    |
| Asotin   | Asotin County Auditor<br>PO Box 129<br>Asotin, WA 99402-0129                        |
| Benton   | Benton County Auditor<br>PO Box 470<br>Prosser, WA 99350-0470                       |
| Chelan   | Chelan County Auditor<br>PO Box 400<br>Wenatchee, WA 98807-0400                     |
| Clallam  | Clallam County Auditor<br>223 E. 4th Street, Suite 1<br>Port Angeles, WA 98362-3026 |
| Clark    | Clark County Auditor<br>PO Box 8815<br>Vancouver, WA 98666-8815                     |
| Columbia | Columbia County Auditor<br>341 East Main Street, Suite 2<br>Dayton, WA 99328-1361   |
| Cowlitz  | Cowlitz County Auditor<br>207 - 4th Avenue N, Room 107<br>Kelso, WA 98626-4124      |
| Douglas  | Douglas County Auditor<br>PO Box 456<br>Waterville, WA 98858-0456                   |
| Ferry    | Ferry County Auditor<br>350 E Delaware Avenue, # 2<br>Republic, WA 99166-9747       |
| Franklin | Franklin County Auditor<br>PO Box 1451<br>Pasco, WA 99301-1451                      |
| Garfield | Garfield County Auditor<br>PO Box 278<br>Pomeroy, WA 99347-0278                     |
| Grant    | Grant County Auditor<br>PO Box 37<br>Ephrata, WA 98823-0037                         |

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| Grays Harbor | Grays Harbor County Auditor<br>100 Broadway Avenue., W., Ste 2<br>Montesano, WA 98563-3614      |
| Island       | Island County Auditor<br>PO Box 1410<br>Coupeville, WA 98239-1410                               |
| Jefferson    | Jefferson County Auditor<br>PO Box 563<br>Port Townsend, WA 98368-0563                          |
| King         | King County Elections Division<br>919 SW Grady Way<br>Renton, WA 98057-2906                     |
| Kitsap       | Kitsap County Auditor<br>614 Division Street<br>Port Orchard, WA 98366-4678                     |
| Kittitas     | Kittitas County Auditor<br>205 W 5th Ave, # 105<br>Ellensburg, WA 98926-3129                    |
| Klickitat    | Klickitat County Auditor<br>205 S. Columbus, Stop 2<br>Goldendale, WA 98620-9280                |
| Lewis        | Lewis County Auditor<br>PO Box 29<br>Chehalis, WA 98532-0029                                    |
| Lincoln      | Lincoln County Auditor<br>PO Box 28<br>Davenport, WA 99122-0028                                 |
| Mason        | Mason County Auditor<br>PO Box 400<br>Shelton, WA 98584-0400                                    |
| Okanogan     | Okanogan County Auditor<br>PO Box 1010<br>Okanogan, WA 98840-1010                               |
| Pacific      | Pacific County Auditor<br>PO Box 97<br>South Bend, WA 98586-0097                                |
| Pend Oreille | Pend Oreille County Auditor<br>PO Box 5015<br>Newport, WA 99156-5015                            |
| Pierce       | Pierce County Auditor<br>2501 S. 35th Street, Suite C<br>Tacoma, WA 98409-7484                  |
| San Juan     | San Juan County Auditor<br>PO Box 638<br>Friday Harbor, WA 98250-0638                           |
| Skagit       | Skagit County Auditor<br>PO Box 1306<br>Mt. Vernon, WA 98273-1306                               |
| Skamania     | Skamania County Auditor<br>PO Box 790<br>Stevenson, WA 98648-0790                               |
| Snohomish    | Snohomish County Auditor<br>3000 Rockefeller Ave., #505<br>Everett, WA 98201-4060               |
| Spokane      | Spokane County Auditor<br>1033 W Gardner<br>Spokane, WA 99260-0020                              |
| Stevens      | Stevens County Auditor<br>215 S Oak St, Rm 106<br>Colville, WA 99114-2836                       |
| Thurston     | Thurston County Auditor<br>2000 Lakeridge Drive, SW<br>Olympia, WA 98502-6001                   |
| Wahkiakum    | Wahkiakum County Auditor<br>PO Box 543<br>Cathlamet, WA 98612-0543                              |
| Walla Walla  | Walla Walla County Auditor<br>Elections Department<br>PO Box 1856<br>Walla Walla, WA 99362-0356 |
| Whatcom      | Whatcom County Auditor<br>PO Box 398<br>Bellingham, WA 98227                                    |
| Whitman      | Whitman County Auditor<br>PO Box 350<br>Colfax, WA 99111-0350                                   |
| Yakima       | Yakima County Auditor<br>128 N Second Street, #117<br>Yakima, WA 98901-2639                     |

