

Washington

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Upcoming Elections

No Federal Elections Scheduled

Please mail your voting materials early enough to account for mail delivery times. Check the recommended mailing dates section in Chapter 1 for details.

Important information

<p>What is UOCAVA?</p>	<p>The <i>Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act</i> is commonly referred to as <i>UOCAVA</i>. <i>UOCAVA</i> citizens are U.S. citizens who are active members of the Uniformed Services, the Merchant Marine, the commissioned corps of the Public Health Service and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, their eligible family members and other U.S. citizens residing outside the United States. The law provides the legal basis for absentee voting requirements for federal offices.</p>
<p>What is the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA)?</p>	<p>The FPCA (federal form SF 76) allows <i>UOCAVA</i> citizens to register to vote and request an absentee ballot. This form is also used to update your contact information.</p>
<p>What is the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB)?</p>	<p>The FWAB (federal form SF 186) serves as an emergency backup ballot for <i>UOCAVA</i> citizens. If you do not receive your absentee ballot from your State in time to return it to your election official to participate in the election, use the FWAB.</p>
<p>What is the DoD Electronic Transmission Service (ETS)* ?</p>	<p>The DoD ETS allows you to email or fax your election materials toll-free. To email your election materials using ETS, use the cover sheet available in Chapter 1 or online at FVAP.gov and email to ETS@FVAP.gov. To fax your election materials using ETS, use the cover sheet available in Chapter 1 or online at 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 in the Appendix of the Voting Assistance Guide or online at FVAP.gov.</p> <p><i>* DISCLAIMER: The Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) provides an Electronic Transmission Service to assist you with transmitting your election materials. FVAP does not guarantee the acceptance or processing of your materials by your election official. As a user of this service, we encourage you to contact your election official directly to verify whether your information was received timely.</i></p>
<p>What is the Prepaid Mail Label 11- DoD?</p>	<p><i>Overseas Uniformed Service members</i> can use this label for general election absentee ballots. It provides free express mail service to your election official for general election absentee ballots. You can request to have a Prepaid Mail Label 11-DoD applied to your absentee ballot at Military Postal Office locations (APO/FPO). A portion of the label is kept by you for tracking your absentee ballot through the U.S. postal service.</p>

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What is a primary election?	A primary election is an election held before the general election to determine the candidates that can be placed on the general election ballot.
I am an American citizen, but I have never lived in the U.S., can I vote in this State?	A U.S. citizen who has never resided in the U.S. and has a parent or legal guardian that was last domiciled in Washington is eligible to vote in Washington.
I am a National Guardsman activated on State orders; does my State afford me UOCAVA privileges?	No.
Does my State have any online tools?	You can see if your State has any online tools available here: http://www.fvap.gov/washington
How can I check the status of my ballot?	You can check the status of your absentee ballot here: http://www.sos.wa.gov/elections/myvote/

Registering and requesting your absentee ballot

Under federal law, the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) registers you to vote and requests absentee ballots for a minimum of all federal elections in the current calendar year. Be sure to complete a new FPCA each year and every time your address changes.

Complete the following blocks of the FPCA

Block 1	Select the category that best describes you.
Block 2	Not required.
Block 3	Enter your current name (Last, First). If you are registered under a different name, provide this information in the previous name area.
Block 4	Your date of birth is required.
Block 5	Your contact information is recommended so your election official can contact you if they need additional information from you in order to accept your FPCA. If you want to receive your absentee ballot by email/online or fax, you must provide your email address or fax number.

Block 6	You can receive your absentee ballot by mail, email/online or fax. Rank your preferred method of receiving your absentee ballot.
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Block 7	Enter the complete street address of your voting residence. You cannot use a post office box mailing address. If your address is a rural route, use Block 9 to describe the location of your voting residence.
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Block 8	Enter your current mailing address, even if you are requesting your ballot by email/online or fax. If you want your election materials sent to a different address or have a forwarding address, use Block 9 to provide this information.
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Block 9	Provide any information that may assist your election official in accepting this form. You can use this space to designate particular elections or the period you wish to receive ballots.
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Affirmation	Sign and date. No witness signature required.
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How and where to submit your FPCA

You can submit the FPCA by **mail, email or fax**. Contact information can be found in the "Local Election Offices" section or online at FVAP.gov.

Mail your FPCA: Once your FPCA is complete, mail your FPCA directly to your election official.

E-Mail your FPCA: Scan the signed FPCA into your computer. Be sure to also include the Electronic Transmission Sheet. Email this package directly to your election official. You may also use the DoD Electronic Transmission Service (ETS)* to email your FPCA. Information about ETS can be found in the "Important Information" section or online at FVAP.gov.

Fax your FPCA: Fax your FPCA directly to your election official. Be sure to also include the Electronic Transmission Sheet. You may use the DoD Electronic Transmission Service (ETS)* to fax your FPCA toll-free. Instructions for ETS are in the "Important Information" section or online at FVAP.gov.

To find out the status of your FPCA, contact your election official. Your election official will contact you if your FPCA is not accepted.

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Voting your ballot

Once you receive your absentee ballot from your State it must be returned according to the deadlines and requirements in the "Federal Election Deadlines" chart. For special federal elections, visit FVAP.gov for specific deadlines.

You can submit the State absentee ballot by **mail**, **email** or **fax**. Contact information can be found in the "Local Election Offices" section. You may use the DoD Electronic Transmission Service (ETS)* to email or fax your ballot. *Overseas Uniformed Service members* can request to have the Prepaid Mail Label 11-DoD applied to the general election ballot. Additional information about this label can be found in the "Important Information" section.

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Haven't received your ballot? Use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot

The FWAB can be used to register to vote. If you are using the FWAB to register to vote, it **must** be received by the registration deadline listed in the "Federal Election Deadlines" chart.

You can use the FWAB to vote in federal, State and local elections, including ballot measures.

Complete the following blocks of the FWAB's voter declaration/affirmation

Block 1	Check this box if you would like to register to vote and/or request an absentee ballot.
Block 2	Select the category that best describes you.
Block 3	Enter your current name (Last, First). If you are registered under a different name, provide this information in the previous name area.
Block 4	Your date of birth is required.
Block 5	Your contact information is recommended so your election official can contact you if they need additional information from you to accept your FWAB.
Block 6	Not required.
Block 7	Enter the complete street address of your voting residence. You cannot use a post office box mailing address. If your address is a rural route, use Block 9 to describe the location of your voting residence.
Block 8	Enter your current mailing address. If you want your election materials sent to a different address or have a forwarding address, use Block 9 for this information.
Block 9	Provide any information that may assist the election official in accepting this form. You can use this space to designate particular elections or the period you wish to

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receive ballots, as well as the method in which you would like to receive your ballot.

Affirmation	Sign and date. No witness signature required.
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Vote your FWAB

To vote, write in either a candidate's name or political party for each office. You are not required to make a selection for each and every contest.

How and where to submit your FWAB

You can submit the FWAB by **mail**, **email** or **fax**. Contact information can be found in the "Local Election Offices" section or online at FVAP.gov.

Mail your FWAB: Once your FWAB is complete, fold and place it in the security envelope and seal the envelope. Place only the voted ballot in the security envelope and do not write on the security envelope. Insert the sealed security envelope and the Voter's Declaration/ Affirmation into the mailing envelope and mail your FWAB directly to your election official. *Overseas Uniformed Service members* can request to have the Prepaid Mail Label 11-DoD applied to the general election ballot. Additional information about this label can be found in the "Important Information" section or online at FVAP.gov.

Email your FWAB: Scan the signed Voter's Declaration/Affirmation and the FWAB into your computer. Be sure to also include the Electronic Transmission Sheet with secrecy waiver. Email this ballot package directly to your election official. You may also use the DoD Electronic Transmission Service (ETS)* to email your FWAB. Information about ETS can be found in the "Important Information" section or online at FVAP.gov.

Fax your FWAB: Fax your FWAB directly to your election official. Be sure to include your ballot, signed Voter Declaration/Affirmation and cover sheet with secrecy waiver. You may use the DoD Electronic Transmission Service (ETS)* to fax your FWAB toll-free. Instructions for ETS are in the "Important Information" section or online at FVAP.gov.

See the "Federal Election Deadlines" chart for the deadline for submitting the FWAB. If you receive the State absentee ballot after transmitting your voted FWAB, you may also vote and return the State absentee ballot. If both are received by the deadline, only the State absentee ballot will be counted.

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Local election offices for county

County	Mailing Address
Adams	Adams County Auditor 210 W. Broadway Ave, Ste 200 Ritzville, WA 99169-1897 Phone: (509) 659-3249 Fax: (509) 659-3254 Email: heidih@co.adams.wa.us
Asotin	Asotin County Auditor P.O. Box 129 Asotin, WA 99402-0129 Phone: (509) 243-2084 Fax: (509) 243-2087 Email: dmckay@co.asotin.wa.us
Benton	Benton County Auditor P.O. Box 470 Prosser, WA 99350-0470 Phone: (509) 736-3085 Fax: (509) 786-5482 Email: elections@co.benton.wa.us
Chelan	Chelan County Auditor P.O. Box 4670 Wenatchee, WA 98807-0400 Phone: (509) 667-6808 Fax: (509) 667-6818 Email: elections.ballots@co.chelan.wa.us
Clallam	Clallam County Auditor 223 E. 4th St, Ste 1 Port Angeles, WA 98362-3026 Phone: (360) 417-2221 Fax: (360) 417-2312 Email: jmaxion@co.clallam.wa.us
Clark	Clark County Auditor P.O. Box 8815 Vancouver, WA 98666-8815 Phone: (360) 397-2345 Fax: (360) 397-2394 Email: elections@clark.wa.gov
Columbia	Columbia County Auditor 341 E Main St, Ste 3 Dayton, WA 99328-1361 Phone: (509) 382-4541 Fax: (509) 382-4830 Email: sharon_richter@co.columbia.wa.us
Cowlitz	Cowlitz County Auditor 207 N 4th Ave, Room 107 Kelso, WA 98626-4124 Phone: (360) 577-3005 Fax: (360) 442-7879 Email: elections@co.cowlitz.wa.us
Douglas	Douglas County Auditor P.O. Box 456 Waterville, WA 98858-0456 Phone: (888) 578-7707 Fax: (509) 745-8812 Email: elections@co.douglas.wa.us

County	Mailing Address
Ferry	Ferry County Auditor 350 E Delaware Ave, #2 Republic, WA 99166-9747 Phone: (509) 775-5225 x2500 Fax: (509) 775-5208 Email: elections@co.ferry.wa.us
Franklin	Franklin County Auditor P.O. Box 1451 Pasco, WA 99301-1451 Phone: (509) 545-3538 Fax: (509) 543-2995 Email: elections@co.franklin.wa.us
Garfield	Garfield County Auditor P.O. Box 278 Pomeroy, WA 99347-0278 Phone: (509) 843-1411 Fax: (509) 843-3941 Email: ddeal@co.garfield.wa.us
Grant	Grant County Auditor P.O. Box 37 Ephrata, WA 98823-0037 Phone: (509) 754-2011 Fax: (509) 754-6562 Email: elections@co.grant.wa.us
Grays Harbor	Grays Harbor County Auditor 100 W Broadway, Ste 2 Montesano, WA 98563-3614 Phone: (360) 249-4232 Fax: (360) 249-3330 Email: elections@co.grays-harbor.wa.us
Island	Island County Auditor P.O. Box 1410 Coupeville, WA 98239-1410 Phone: (360) 679-7366 Fax: (360) 678-2326 Email: elections@co.island.wa.us
Jefferson	Jefferson County Auditor P.O. Box 563 Port Townsend, WA 98368-0563 Phone: (360) 385-9117 Fax: (360) 385-9228 Email: elections@co.jefferson.wa.us
King	King County Elections Division 919 SW Grady Way Renton, WA 98507-2906 Phone: (206) 296-8683 Fax: (206) 296-0108 Email: elections@kingcounty.gov
Kitsap	Kitsap County Auditor 619 Division St Port Orchard, WA 98366-4678 Phone: (360) 337-7128 Fax: (360) 337-5769 Email: auditor@co.kitsap.wa.us
Kittitas	Kittitas County Auditor 205 W 5th Ave, Ste 105 Ellensburg, WA 98926-2891 Phone: (509) 962-7503 Fax: (509) 962-7687 Email: elections@co.kittitas.wa.us
Klickitat	Klickitat County Auditor 205 S. Columbus Ave, Stop 2 Goldendale, WA 98620-9280 Phone: (509) 773-4001 Fax: (509) 773-4244 Email: voting@klickitatcounty.org

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Lewis	Lewis County Auditor P.O. Box 29 Chehalis, WA 98532-0029 Phone: (360) 740-1278 Fax: (360) 740-1421 Email: elections@lewiscountywa.gov
Lincoln	Lincoln County Auditor P.O. Box 28 Davenport, WA 99122-0028 Phone: (509) 725-4971 Fax: (509) 725-0820 Email: sjohnston@co.lincoln.wa.us
Mason	Mason County Auditor P.O. Box 400 Shelton, WA 98584-0400 Phone: (360) 427-9670 x469 Fax: (360) 427-1753 Email: elections@co.mason.wa.us
Okanogan	Okanogan County Auditor P.O. Box 1010 Okanogan, WA 98840-1010 Phone: (509) 422-7240 Fax: (509) 422-7163 Email: elections@co.okanogan.wa.us
Pacific	Pacific County Auditor P.O. Box 97 South Bend, WA 98586-0097 Phone: (360) 875-9313 Fax: (360) 875-9333 Email: jkidd@co.pacific.wa.us
Pend Oreille	Pend Oreille County Auditor P.O. Box 5015 Newport, WA 99156-5015 Phone: (509) 447-6472 Fax: (509) 447-2475 Email: elections@pendoreille.org
Pierce	Pierce County Auditor 2501 S 35th St, Ste C Tacoma, WA 98409-7484 Phone: (253) 798-7430 Fax: (253) 798-2761 Email: pcelections@co.pierce.wa.us
San Juan	San Juan County Auditor P.O. Box 638 Friday Harbor, WA 98250-0638 Phone: (360) 378-3357 Fax: (360) 378-8856 Email: elections@sanjuanco.com
Skagit	Skagit County Auditor P.O. Box 1306 Mt. Vernon, WA 98273-1306 Phone: (360) 336-9305 Fax: (360) 336-9429 Email: sselections@co.skagit.wa.us
Skamania	Skamania County Auditor P.O. Box 790 Stevenson, WA 98648-0790 Phone: (509) 427-3730 Fax: (509) 427-3740 Email: elections@co.skamania.wa.us
Snohomish	Snohomish County Auditor 3000 Rockefeller Ave. # 505 Everett, WA 98201-4046 Phone: (425) 388-3444 Fax: (425) 259-2777 Email: elections@snoco.org

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Spokane	Spokane County Auditor 1033 W Gardner Ave Spokane, WA 99260-0020 Phone: (509) 477-2320 Fax: (509) 477-6607 Email: elections@spokanecounty.org
Stevens	Stevens County Auditor 215 S Oak St, Rm 106 Colville, WA 99114-2836 Phone: (509) 684-7514 Fax: (509) 684-7568 Email: elections@co.stevens.wa.us
Thurston	Thurston County Auditor 2000 Lakeridge Drive, SW Olympia, WA 98502-6090 Phone: (360) 786-5408 Fax: (360) 786-5223 Email: elections@co.thurston.wa.us
Wahkiakum	Wahkiakum County Auditor P.O. Box 543 Cathlamet, WA 98612-0543 Phone: (360) 795-3219 Fax: (360) 795-0824 Email: tischerd@co.wahkiakum.wa.us
Walla Walla	Walla Walla County Auditor P.O. Box 2176 Walla Walla, WA 99362-0176 Phone: (509) 524-2530 Fax: (509) 524-2552 Email: elections@co.walla-walla.wa.us
Whatcom	Whatcom County Auditor P.O. Box 369 Bellingham, WA 98227-0369 Phone: (360) 778-5102 Fax: (360) 778-5101 Email: elections@co.whatcom.wa.us
Whitman	Whitman County Auditor P.O. Box 191 Colfax, WA 99111-0191 Phone: (509) 397-5284 Fax: (509) 397-5281 Email: elections@co.whitman.wa.us
Yakima	Yakima County Auditor P.O. Box 12570 Yakima, WA 98909-2570 Phone: (509) 574-1340 Fax: (509) 574-1341 Email: ivote@co.yakima.wa.us