

ABSENTEE BALLOTS 101

Millions of voters across the nation will be voting by absentee ballot this year. We want to make sure the President's supporters have that option as well!

What's the difference between vote-by-mail and absentee ballot?

In some states, all registered voters automatically receive a ballot in the mail whether they want to vote by mail or not. Experts believe that these types of mass vote-by-mail programs are susceptible to tampering and fraudulent voting. In other states, like our state, voters may vote by mail, but they must request an absentee ballot. This is more secure and is less likely to lead to widespread tampering and fraud. The quickest way for a voter to request a ballot is through their state's online portal. Visiting the website **www.vote.gop** is an easy way to request a ballot online.

Who can apply for an Absentee Ballot?

Any registered voter qualified to vote in an election may request and receive an absentee ballot for the November 3, 2020 election. This year, no special circumstance or reason is needed to receive and vote a mail-in absentee ballot in our state.

Questions about absentee voting and deadlines should be directed to the county election office.

Follow the Law!

- 1. Never write on or alter the absentee ballot application form in any way. The person applying to absentee vote must complete the application form and sign their name.
- 2. Never discourage anyone from completing an absentee ballot application form.
- 3. Never make a copy or take a picture of a completed absentee ballot application form.
- 4. Do not accept a complete absentee ballot application form from a voter unless your Field Director has instructed you in writing to do so. Some states prohibit anyone but a family member of the voter from returning applications to the state

Violations of absentee ballot application and election laws can result in fines and/or incarceration.



ABSENTEE BALLOT SCRIPT

Q1. Sign up for vote by mail (absentee ballot)?

"Hello, I'm so sorry to bother you, I'm not selling anything, I'm looking for <<NAME OF VOTER>>? President Trump sent me here to ask you to sign up to vote by mail. His team has verified that the vote by mail system in our state is secure. The president has voted by mail himself this year! Would you help him by signing up as well? Being signed up doesn't mean you have to vote this way, but it does give you the option in case there's a COVID outbreak or something right before Election Day." If voter does want to vote by mail, have them complete a paper form or go to www.vote.gop

Q2. If voter does not want to vote by mail:

"Will you commit to the President that you will vote during Early Voting then? Or on Election Day?"

If voter will vote by mail, early vote, or vote on Election Day, get their verbal commitment (a voter that commits verbally to vote is much more likely to do it!): "I'm going to report back to the President that you will vote by mail. Is that okay?"

OR

"I'm going to report back to the President that you will vote during Early Voting. Is that okay?"

OR

"I'm going to report back to the President that you will vote on Election Day. Is that okay?"

- **Q3. Cell phone for updates:** "We want to make sure you stay up to date on any other changes the government might make regarding the election. Can we get your cell phone number for text updates?"
- **Q4. Volunteer or Donate?** "Can I ask you one last thing? You seem like you might be as worried about the future of our country as I am, is there any chance you'd want to volunteer some of your time or perhaps donate \$5 or something to help us?" If yes, let them know that the campaign will be in touch.

If the response is negative:

"Thank you so much. Have a great day!"