

## 2020 ABSENTEE VOTER REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS AND INSTRUCTIONS

**You may register to vote by absentee (by mail) if one of the following is true:**

- You are concerned about exposure to infection from COVID-19 or exposing others. See attached COVID-19 Related Registration and Voting Instructions;
- You will be absent from the town or city on the dates/times when the Supervisors of the Checklist meet to receive voter registration applications. The supervisors are required to meet on a date 6 to 13 days before the September 8, 2020 primary and again before the November 3, 2020 general election;
  - Absence includes an employment obligation that prevents you from attending a session of the supervisors. The term “employment” includes the care of children and infirm adults, with or without compensation.
- You cannot appear in public because of observance of a religious commitment;
- You are unable to vote in person by reason of a physical disability; or
- You are a victim of domestic violence, have an active protective order, or are participating in the Attorney General’s address confidentiality program.

**IF ANY OF THE ABOVE CIRCUMSTANCES APPLIES TO YOU, PLEASE CAREFULLY READ THESE ABSENTEE VOTER REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS.**

**STEP 1:** Follow the instructions on the application form and absentee registration affidavit. Ensure you provide all required information. Call your clerk’s office if you have any questions.

**STEP 2:** If you require assistance due to being blind or have a disability, you may have someone else assist you.

**STEP 3:** Complete and sign the Voter Registration Form.

**STEP 4:** Complete and Sign the Absentee Registration Affidavit:

Use the “disability” affidavit for COVID-19 concerns or other disability.

Use the “temporarily absent” affidavit if you will be unable to attend the supervisors’ sessions.

Have a witness observe you signing the Absentee Registration Affidavit. Have the witness sign the form.

**STEP 5:** Enclose copies of proof of identity and domicile with the completed Voter Registration Form and Absentee Registration Affidavit.

**If you are registering before applying for and receiving an absentee ballot:**

**STEP 6:** Mail the completed forms and copies of proof to your clerk.

These instructions are for applicants who are applying for absentee voter registration (registration by mail). To vote in the September 8, 2020 Primary and/or November 3, 2020 General election by absentee, submit an absentee ballot request to the clerk. The Request form is available from your clerk or on the Secretary of State’s web site. <https://sos.nh.gov/elections/voters/voting-during-covid-19-state-of-emergency>

**If you are registering, have received your absentee ballot, and are returning both the absentee registration and absentee ballot in one envelope see the instructions on the back:**

**If you are unable to complete any of these steps, contact your clerk for assistance. You may request accommodation if you do not have access to a witness or the ability to provide copies of proof of identity and domicile.**