



# North Carolina Absentee Ballot Request Form for 2021

2021.05

## Request an absentee ballot

You can request an absentee ballot for 1 voter at a time. You can request an absentee ballot for 1 election at a time.

The information that you provide on this form will be used to update your current voter record.

If you are not registered, you must submit a voter registration form with this request.

## How to return this form

Return your completed and signed form to your county board of elections by **5:00 pm on the Tuesday before the election**. You can:

- Drop it off in-person
- Mail it

This form can only be returned by:

- The voter
- The voter's near relative or verifiable legal guardian
- A Multipartisan Assistance Team

## Return this form to:

### Questions?

Call  
or visit

### Request online

Complete, sign, and submit your request online at [votebymail.ncsbe.gov](http://votebymail.ncsbe.gov).

## Instructions

### 1: Election

You can request 1 absentee ballot for 1 election. If you are not affiliated with a political party and you are requesting a ballot for a primary election, choose 1 party. View elections at [www.ncsbe.gov](http://www.ncsbe.gov).

### 2: Voter name

Provide your full legal name. If your name has changed, this form will be used to update your current voter record.

### 3: Voter identification

You must provide your date of birth **and** one of the following:

- A NC Driver's License or DMV ID card number
- The last 4 digits of your social security number

### 4: Permanent voter address

Provide the street address where you live as of today. If you are temporarily living away or displaced from the address where you live and you plan to return later, provide your permanent residential address for voting. **However**, if you have abandoned your place of residence and intend to stay at a new address indefinitely, you must provide your new address here. Signing in section 11 will update your voter registration. If your new address is in a different county, you will not be able to update your address using this form and will need to submit a new voter registration in your new county.

### 5: Ballot mailing address

Indicate where you would like your ballot to be sent. If you do not want your ballot to be sent to your residential or mailing address, provide another address here.

### 6: Accessibility options

Check if you require an absentee ballot for other possible elections in 2021 due to your continued or expected illness or disability. Check if you require an accessible ballot due to blindness or visual impairment.

### 7: Contact information

This section asks for your contact information, in case we have questions about your request. Provide the contact information for the voter or near relative or legal guardian.

### 8: Requesting for a near relative

A near relative or legal guardian may request a ballot for a voter. A near relative is a voter's:

- Spouse
- Brother or sister
- Parent or stepparent
- Mother/father-in-law
- Child or stepchild
- Son/daughter-in-law
- Grandparent
- Grandchild

If you are a near relative or legal guardian who is requesting a ballot on behalf of a voter, you:

- **must sign in the box in this section**
- may **not** make changes to the voter's registration record

### 9: Assisting a voter

If you are assisting a voter, complete this section.

Any voter may receive assistance from their near relative or verifiable legal guardian.

A voter who is blind, disabled, or unable to read or write may receive assistance from somebody else if no near relative or legal guardian is available.

### If the voter is a patient in a hospital, clinic, nursing home, or adult care home ("facility") in North Carolina,

a member of a Multipartisan Assistance Team (MAT) can also assist the voter. Contact the county board of elections to request a MAT. If a near relative or legal guardian is not available and a MAT is not available within 7 calendar days of a request, the voter may get assistance from anyone who is **not**:

- An owner, manager, director, or employee of the facility
- An elected official, a candidate, or an

officeholder in a political party

- A campaign manager or treasurer for a candidate or political party

### 10: Military or overseas

Complete this section if you claim North Carolina as your voting residence and are:

- A U.S. citizen currently outside of the United States

**Or** a member of one of the following, **or** a spouse or dependent of a member of one of the following:

- The active or reserve components of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard of the United States who is on active duty
- A member of the Merchant Marines, the Commissioned Corps of the Public Health Service, or the Commissioned Corps of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration of the United States
- A member of the National Guard or State militia unit who is on activated status

### 11: Voter's signature

This form must be signed **by the voter** (unless a near relative is requesting a ballot on the voter's behalf and fills out section 8). If the voter cannot physically sign this form, they can make a mark. **A typed signature or signature fonts are not allowed.**

If you indicate that you have changed your name (section 2) or address (section 4), signing in this section will update your voter registration.

Fraudulently or falsely completing this form is a Class I Felony under Chapter 163 of the NC General Statutes.

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Required sections are in red

**Select 1 election**  
You can request 1 ballot for only 1 election at a time.  
**Required**

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|----------|---------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <b>1</b> | <p>11/2/2021 Election</p> | <p>If you are requesting a ballot for a <i>primary election</i> and you are <i>not affiliated</i> with a political party (unaffiliated), select your primary ballot preference.</p> | <p>Democratic<br/>Libertarian</p> | <p>Republican<br/>Nonpartisan</p> |
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**Print voter name**  
The name you give on this form will be used to update your registration.  
**Required**

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| <b>2</b> | <p>Last name _____ Suffix (Jr, Sr., III, IV, if applicable) _____</p> <p>First name _____ Middle name _____</p> <p>Former name (if your name has changed) _____</p> |
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**Voter identification**  
**Required**

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| <b>3</b> | <p>Date of birth (mm/dd/yyyy) _____</p> | <p><b>AND</b></p> | <p>NC Driver's License/DMV ID number _____</p> <p><b>OR</b></p> <p>Last 4 digits of your Social Security number _____</p> |
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**Permanent voter address**  
Provide your residential address (where you live) and your mailing address (if different).  
**Required**

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| <b>4</b> | <p>Street _____ Unit # _____</p> <p>City _____ NC Zip _____ County _____</p> <p>Have you moved in the last 30 days? Yes No If yes, date moved? (mm/dd/yyyy) _____</p> <p>If you receive mail at a different address or at a Post Office box, provide your full mailing address</p> <p>Street _____ Unit # _____</p> <p>City _____ State _____ Zip _____</p> |
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**Where should we send your ballot?**  
Check 1.  
**Required**

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| <b>5</b> | <p>Your residential address in section 4<br/>A different address:</p> <p>Street _____ Unit # _____</p> <p>City _____ State _____ Zip _____</p> | <p>Your mailing address in section 4</p> |
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**Accessible voting options**

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| <b>6</b> | <p>I request absentee ballots for all elections this year due to continued or expected illness or disability.</p> <p>I require an accessible absentee ballot due to visual impairment. (Provide your email address in section 7)</p> |
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**Contact information**  
If we have a question.

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| <b>7</b> | <p>Phone _____ Email _____</p> |
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**Requesting a ballot for a near relative?**  
If yes, the requester must complete and sign this section. See the instructions for a list of who can request a ballot for a voter.

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| <b>8</b> | <p>Requester's name _____ Relationship to voter _____</p> <p>Street _____ Unit # _____</p> <p>City _____ State _____ Zip _____</p> <p><b>Relative/legal guardian, sign and date here (if applicable)</b></p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 30%; text-align: center;"><b>X</b></td> <td style="width: 40%;"></td> <td style="width: 30%; text-align: right;">Date (mm/dd/yyyy)</td> </tr> </table> | <b>X</b>          |  | Date (mm/dd/yyyy) |
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**Assisting a voter?**  
If yes, the assistant must complete this section. The voter must sign or make their mark in section 11.

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| <b>9</b> | <p>Assistant's full name _____</p> <p>Assistant's full address _____</p> | <p>If the voter is in an eligible facility and needs assistance in voting and returning the ballot, enter the facility name below (if applicable).</p> <p>Facility Name _____</p> |
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**Military or Overseas (UOCAVA)?**  
*See instructions*

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| <b>10</b> | <p>Member of the Uniformed Services or Merchant Marines on active duty or eligible spouse/dependent U.S. citizen outside the U.S. (Overseas address required)</p> <p>Overseas full address _____</p> | <p>I want my ballot delivered to my:</p> <p>Email _____</p> <p>Fax _____</p> <p>Address indicated in section 5</p> <p>Overseas address provided in this section</p> |
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**Voter's signature**  
Use a pen. No electronic signatures allowed.  
**Required**

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| <b>11</b> | <p><b>Voter, sign and date here (Required unless requesting for a near relative)</b></p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 30%; text-align: center;"><b>X</b></td> <td style="width: 40%;"></td> <td style="width: 30%; text-align: right;">Date (mm/dd/yyyy)</td> </tr> </table> | <b>X</b>          |  | Date (mm/dd/yyyy) |
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