

Voting by Mail in Wisconsin

Step 1: Request an absentee ballot

If you have requested an absentee ballot in prior elections and included a copy of your ID with the ballot request:

Fill in the form at **MyVote.Wi.Gov** or send a request on paper or by email or phone call to your municipal clerk's office. You need not provide another copy of your ID.

If this is your first time requesting an absentee ballot or if you have moved or changed your name:

Fill in the form at **MyVote.Wi.Gov** or send a request on paper or by email to your municipal clerk's office. You must also provide a photocopy of your acceptable photo ID*

If you are an "indefinitely confined" voter:

Fill in the form at **MyVote.Wi.Gov** or send a request on paper or by email or phone call to your municipal clerk's office. Select "indefinitely confined voter" when prompted. You are not required to provide a copy of your photo ID.

Indefinitely confined means you are elderly or have a disability or medical condition that might make it hard for you to vote in-person at a polling place.

TIPS: The deadline to request a ballot is the Thursday before Election Day; however, if you plan to receive and return your ballot by mail, please request it at least 14 days before Election Day. Be sure you have entered your correct mailing address. You can download and print a paper form to request a ballot here: **Elections.Wi.Gov**. Under "Voters" select "Absentee Voting."

Step 2: Complete the ballot

Use a ball point pen to fill in your choices on the ballot in the presence of your witness. Any US citizen 18 or older may witness your ballot.

Step 3: Complete the envelope "certificate"

Your witness will sign the envelope and fill in their complete address (#, street, city) in the space provided. You must also sign the envelope in the space provided.

Step 4: Get the ballot to your municipal clerk (City or Village Hall)

If by mail, please allow 7 days for delivery. You may also drop off your ballot at your clerk's office (business hours) or at either your polling place or your municipality's Central Count or ballot drop-off location on Election Day. Voters in cities with central count, including **Milwaukee**, should follow the instructions that they received with the ballot. Ballots must be received by 8 pm on Election Day.

***Providing your ID:** On a **computer or tablet**, take a photo of your photo ID and save it to your computer. If applying online at MyVote.Wi.Gov, upload the photo file when prompted. If using a **smart phone** with MyVote.Wi.Gov, at the prompt "add file," select "take a photo," Use your phone's camera to photograph your ID; when the photo appears on screen, select "use photo" and "continue." If using a **paper application**, print a copy of the ID and enclose it with your application. If applying by **email**, attach a photo of the ID to your email.

Need more help? Wisconsin Elections Commission **(608) 266-8005**

Milwaukee Election Commission **(414) 286-3491**