

OKLAHOMA

The Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) is the primary form for requesting registration and/or an absentee ballot from your local election official. **Read all instructions printed below and on the FPCA before completing and signing your application.**

FEDERAL POST CARD APPLICATION

SAMPLE FORM

REGISTRATION AND ABSENTEE BALLOT REQUEST - FEDERAL POST CARD APPLICATION (FPCA)			
APPLICATION FOR STATE OF _____ COUNTY OF _____ CITY OR TOWNSHIP OF _____ §		I REQUEST ABSENTEE BALLOTS FOR ALL ELECTIONS IN WHICH I AM ELIGIBLE TO VOTE.	
1. APPLICANT INFORMATION (See instruction 1.)		6. POLITICAL PARTY AFFILIATION (This information is required by most states to send you a ballot for primary elections. See instructions.) D	
a. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) _____ b. SEX _____ c. RACE _____		7. REMARKS (Provide additional information which will assist local election officials in determining your eligibility to register and vote. See instructions.)	
d. DATE OF BIRTH _____ e. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER _____ f. OTHER IDENTIFICATION NO. (passport, ID card) _____			
2. I LAST VOTED or PLACE OF LAST REGISTRATION (Do not leave this section blank. See instructions.)			
a. YEAR _____ b. COUNTY, CITY, OR TOWNSHIP _____ c. STATE _____ d. VOTER REGISTRATION NO. (if known) _____			
3. VOTING RESIDENCE (For military, legal residence. For overseas civilians, last residence in U.S. IF USING RURAL ROUTE, SEE INSTRUCTIONS.)		8. AFFIRMATION BY APPLICANT E	
a. LAST DAY OF RESIDENCY _____		X only one: a, b, c or d I swear/affirm, under penalty of perjury, that I am: (See instructions)	
b. NUMBER AND STREET (do not use Post Office Box) _____		a. a member of the Uniformed Services or merchant marine on active duty, or an eligible spouse or dependent.	
c. CITY, TOWN OR VILLAGE _____ d. STATE _____		b. a U.S. citizen temporarily residing outside the U.S.	
e. COUNTY OR PARISH _____ f. ZIP CODE (9-digit, if known) _____		c. a U.S. citizen overseas by virtue of employment or accompanying spouse or dependent.	
4. MAIL ABSENTEE BALLOT TO: (Mailing address where you want the ballot to be sent.)		d. other U.S. citizen residing outside the U.S.	
_____		e. I am a U.S. Citizen, eligible to vote in the above jurisdiction, and subscribe to any required state/local oath or statement.	
_____		f. I have not been convicted of a felony or other disqualifying offense or been adjudicated mentally incompetent, or if so, my voting rights have been reinstated.	
_____		g. I am not registering, requesting a ballot, or voting in any other jurisdiction in the U.S.	
_____		h. The information on this form is true and complete.	
5. YOUR FAX NUMBER (If this application is faxed, include all international prefixes. See Instructions.)		i. SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT F	
_____		j. DATE _____	
_____		DATE SIGNED _____	
_____		(If required by state law)	

The information contained herein is for official use only. Any unauthorized release of this information may be punishable by law.

Application Instructions

Circled letters on the form above correspond to the instructions below. You must complete all shaded areas.

- A** Do not leave blank. Enter "N/A" if not applicable or if you are a first time voter.
- B** Provide the complete street address of your Oklahoma voting residence. A post office box is not sufficient. If your address includes a rural route, describe its location in Item 7. For example: "on Highway _____, 2 miles past Highway _____, across the street from the _____ gas station." This address must be different from the one provided in Item 4 and must be within the county where you claim legal voting residence.
- C** Print the complete address where you want your ballot sent - usually your current mailing address. It must be different from the address you provided in Item 3.
- D** If you do not list a party affiliation, you cannot vote in primary elections. You must indicate your political party

- affiliation when applying for a primary ballot (Example: Democrat, Republican) or write "none" in Item 6 of the FPCA. Political party choice is not required if only requesting absentee ballots for general elections. If you have previously submitted an FPCA and want to change your political party affiliation or you have previously declined to indicate a political party and you now want to vote in a primary election, you must submit a completed FPCA which includes your new political party choice to the local election official not later than the Wednesday before the election.
- E** Check ONE box.
- F** You must sign and date the FPCA. When signing, you are swearing or affirming that the information is true and correct.

I. UNIFORMED SERVICES

A. Who Can Do It

These procedures apply to persons who are U.S. citizens, residents of Oklahoma and members of the Uniformed Services and their family members. Uniformed Services are defined as the U.S. Armed Forces, merchant marine, commissioned corps of the Public Health Service and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

B. Registering and Requesting an Absentee Ballot

You should send an FPCA to your local election official early every year and whenever you change your mailing address (see Chapter 2).

Registration is not required.

To request an absentee ballot, send a completed FPCA to the County Election Board so that it arrives not later than 5 p.m. on the Wednesday before an election.

C. Casting Your Vote

Ballot Return Deadline: Voted ballot must arrive not later than 7 p.m. on election day. Special provision is made for Runoff Primary Election Ballots, which must be returned by 5 p.m. on the fourteenth day following the election.

Local election officials mail out ballots approximately 30 days before an election (as soon as the County Election Board receives them from the printer).

You may also use the **Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot**. See instructions below.

D. Notary/Witness Requirements

No registration or voting materials are notarized or witnessed.

E. Electronic Transmission of FPCAs and Ballots

- Oklahoma allows you to send the FPCA for absentee ballot request by fax. After faxing, submit the FPCA by mail.
- Under certain limited circumstances, Oklahoma allows you to receive the blank ballot by fax.
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DSN 223-5527
(703) 693-5527
1-800-368-8683

Additional international toll-free fax numbers are listed on the inside back cover.

F. Special Write-In Absentee Ballot

A state special write-in absentee ballot is available 90 days before an election if you will be unable to vote by regular absentee ballot, or in person due to military contingencies or due to living in an isolated or extremely remote area of the world.

You may use the FPCA or a written letter to request this state special write-in absentee ballot. In Item 7 of the FPCA, place one of the state special write-in labels from Section III.D. If no labels are available, write in Item 7 or in your letter: “Due to military contingencies or due to living in an isolated or extremely remote area of the world, I cannot follow the regular application procedure for an absentee ballot. I request a special write-in absentee ballot.”

You must request the state special write-in absentee ballot within 90 days before an election. Vote for Federal candidates in a primary, run-off primary or general election by writing in the names of specific candidates or the names of persons whom you prefer. In general elections, you may write in party preference for each office.

Instructions continue in Section III: Uniformed Services & Civilians Outside U.S.

G. Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot

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For further instructions on the FWAB see Chapter 2, page 12.

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Notify Your Local Election Official About Your Current Mailing Address

II. CIVILIANS OUTSIDE U.S.

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- Oklahoma residents temporarily residing outside the U.S. (for local, state and Federal office ballots)
- overseas electors (for Federal office ballots only)

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III. UNIFORMED SERVICES & CIVILIANS OUTSIDE U.S.

A. Bars to Registration and Voting

Persons convicted of a felony for which a period of time equal to the original sentence has not expired and those found to be incapacitated or partially incapacitated and prohibited from registering to vote shall be ineligible to register to vote.

B. Late Registration

If you are honorably discharged from the U.S. Armed Forces or terminated in your service or employment overseas, and you are returning home to Oklahoma too late to register for the upcoming election, you may vote in that election only (in the precinct where you are a qualified voter) without being registered (provided that you have satisfied the precinct inspector that you are entitled to vote in the election).

C. Action Upon Denial of Registration or Absentee Ballot Request

Upon denial of your voter registration application or absentee ballot request, Oklahoma shall provide you with the reason(s) for the rejection.

D. Voting By Citizens Who Have Never Resided In The U.S.

If a U.S. citizen outside the U.S. has never lived in the U.S. and either parent is a qualified Oklahoma voter, then he or she is eligible to register and vote where his or her parent is a qualified voter.

E. Where To Send It

Mail the FPCA to the [Secretary, County Election Board](#), county of voting residence, as listed below:

County	County Seat	Zip Code
Adair	Stilwell	74960-0006
Alfalfa	Cherokee	73728-2548
Atoka	Atoka	74525-2056
Beaver	Beaver	73932-0639
Beckham	Sayre	73662-3046
Blaine	Watonga	73772-3843
Bryan	Durant	74701-3607
Caddo	Anadarko	73005-0277
Canadian	El Reno	73036-0307
Carter	Ardmore	73401-6412
Cherokee	Tahlequah	74464-4726
Choctaw	Hugo	74743-0517
Cimarron	Boise City	73933-0331
Cleveland	Norman	73069-6046
Coal	Coalgate	74538-0202
Comanche	Lawton	73501-4326

County	County Seat	Zip Code
Cotton	Walters	73572-1271
Craig	Vinita	74301-0861
Creek	Sapulpa	74067-0990
Custer	Clinton*	73601-1326
Delaware	Jay	74346-0589
Dewey	Taloga	73667-0115
Ellis	Arnett	73832-0492
Garfield	Enid	73702-1872
Garvin	Pauls Valley	73075-3234
Grady	Chickasha	73023-1226
Grant	Medford	73759-0068
Greer	Mangum	73554-4200
Harmon	Hollis	73550-3053
Harper	Buffalo	73834-0541
Haskell	Stigler	74462-0300
Hughes	Holdenville	74848-3402
Jackson	Altus	73522-0154
Jefferson	Waurika	73573-2235
Johnston	Tishomingo	73460-1730
Kay	Newkirk	74647-0331
Kingfisher	Kingfisher	73750-3241
Kiowa	Hobart	73651-4016
Latimer	Wilburton	74578-2435
LeFlore	Poteau	74953-0249
Lincoln	Chandler	74834-0097
Logan	Guthrie	73044-4834
Love	Marietta	73448-2849
McClain	Purcell	73080-0759
McCurtain	Idabel	74745-3835
McIntosh	Eufaula	74432-1022
Major	Fairview	73737-2243
Marshall	Madill	73446-0009
Mayes	Pryor	74362-0606
Murray	Sulphur	73086-0556
Muskogee	Muskogee	74402-0216
Noble	Perry	73077-6649
Nowata	Nowata	74048-2654
Okfuskee	Okemah	74859-2603
Oklahoma	Oklahoma City	73105-5210
Okmulgee	Okmulgee	74447-5013
Osage	Pawhuska	74056-0929
Ottawa	Miami	74354-7009
Pawnee	Pawnee	74058-0038
Payne	Stillwater	74074-4080
Pittsburg	McAlester	74501-5020
Pontotoc	Ada	74821-0302
Pottawatomie	Shawnee	74801-6938
Pushmataha	Antlers	74523-3864
Roger Mills	Cheyenne	73628-0147
Rogers	Claremore	74018-1029
Seminole	Wewoka	74884-2653
Sequoyah	Sallisaw	74955-4641
Stephens	Duncan	73533-4758
Texas	Guymon	73942-0607
Tillman	Frederick	73542-5499
Tulsa	Tulsa	74103-1008
Wagoner	Wagoner	74477-0714
Washington	Bartlesville	74003-6602
Washita	Cordell	73632-4831
Woods	Alva	73717-0184
Woodward	Woodward	73802-0613

* Not county seat

Influence Your Future, Vote!

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