

ARIZONA

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.) E	
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) _____ A			
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) _____ B			
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 F	
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 _____ C		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.	
_____ D		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 G	
_____		j. DATE _____	
_____		M M D D Y Y	
9. WITNESS/NOTARY ADDRESS AND SIGNATURE (If required by state law)		DATE SIGNED	
_____		M M D D Y Y	

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** Your Arizona Driver's License or Non-operating Identification License or the last four digits of your Social Security number is required for voter registration. If you do not possess either of these identifications, the State shall assign a unique number that will serve to identify you for voter registration purposes.
- B** Do not leave blank. Enter "N/A" if not applicable or if you are a first time voter.
- C** Provide the complete street address of your Arizona voting residence. A post office box is not sufficient. If your address includes a rural route, describe its location in Item 7. For example: "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.
- D** Print the complete address where you want your ballot sent — usually your current mailing address. Your current

mailing address must be different from the address you provided in Item 3.

- E** If you do not list a party affiliation or if you register as independent or with a party that does not have primary election ballot status you may designate the ballot of a party that does have representation on the ballot and vote that ballot (Example: Democrat, Republican). Please designate the party ballot you wish to request for the primary in Item 7 (Remarks).

If you are currently registered and want to change your political party affiliation or you have previously declined to indicate a political party, you must submit a completed FPCA to the local election official not later than 29 days before election day.

- F** Check ONE box.
- G** 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 Arizona 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).

If you are a registered citizen, the County Recorder must receive your FPCA request not later than 5 p.m. on the Friday before the election.

If you are an unregistered citizen residing temporarily outside the state, the County Recorder must receive your FPCA request for registration anytime before 7 p.m. on election day.

If you are an unregistered citizen residing within the state, the County Recorder must receive your FPCA request for registration not later than 29 days before the election.

C. Casting Your Vote

Ballot Return Deadline: Return your voted ballot so that it arrives at the County Recorder’s office not later than **7 p.m. on election day**.

Local election officials mail ballots approximately 15 days before the Presidential Preference Election. Ballots are mailed approximately 33 days before all other elections.

If you are outside the U.S. and have not received your state ballot in a timely manner, use the **Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot**. See instructions in Chapter 2, page 12.

D. Notary/Witness Requirements

No registration or voting materials are notarized or witnessed.

E. Electronic Transmission of FPCAs and Ballots

- Arizona allows you to send the FPCA application for registration and absentee ballot requests by fax. After faxing, submit the FPCA by mail.

- Arizona allows you to receive the blank ballot by fax.
- Arizona allows you to return the voted ballot by fax.

Please refer to Appendix C for specific instructions when transmitting election materials electronically. **Use the following numbers:**

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 Early Ballot

Arizona provides a state special write-in early ballot available 36 days before the Presidential preference election, 60 days before all other primary elections and 50 days before the general election if you are a member of the Armed Forces, merchant marine, or a spouse or dependent of these and cannot vote an early ballot during the normal voting period.

You may use an FPCA to request this state special write-in ballot. In Item 7 of the FPCA, place one of the state special write-in labels from Section III.E. If no labels are available, in Item 7 write: “Due to military or other contingencies that preclude normal mail delivery, I cannot vote an early ballot during the normal early voting period. I request a special write-in early ballot.”

You may not request this special write-in ballot earlier than 90 days before the election. You may vote the ballot by writing in the names of specific candidates.

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

II. CIVILIANS OUTSIDE U.S.

A. Who Can Do It

These procedures apply to persons who are U.S. citizens, residents of Arizona and overseas citizens. The term “overseas citizen(s) means a U.S. citizen who resides outside the U.S., and who was qualified to register, except for age, in Arizona immediately prior to his/her departure from Arizona.

- Arizona residents temporarily residing outside the U.S.
- overseas citizens

Notify Your Local Election Official About Your Current Mailing Address

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If you are a registered Arizona resident temporarily residing outside the U.S., the County Recorder must receive your FPCA request not later than 5 p.m. on the second Friday before the election.

If you are an unregistered Arizona resident temporarily residing outside the U.S., the County Recorder must receive your FPCA request not later than 29 days before the election.

If you are an overseas citizen who is not required to register, the County Recorder must receive your FPCA ballot request not later than 5 p.m. on the Friday before the election.

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III. UNIFORMED SERVICES & CIVILIANS OUTSIDE U.S.

A. Bars to Registration and Voting

Persons convicted of treason or a felony (unless civil rights restored), and persons adjudicated as incapacitated as defined in A.R.S. 14-5101, may not register or vote.

B. Action on Registration Requests

Notice of registration is sent. The County Recorder must notify the applicant within 10 business days of receipt if his or her application cannot be read or is missing required information.

C. Action If Registration Is Denied

No formal appeal process exists. If denied registration, consult a legal assistance officer or civilian counsel. Upon denial of your voter registration application or absentee ballot request, Arizona shall provide you with the reason(s) for the rejection.

D. Where To Send It

Mail the FPCA to the **County Recorder**, county of voting residence, as listed below:

County	County Seat	Zip Code
Apache	PO Box 425, Saint Johns	85936-0425
Cochise	PO Box 184, Bisbee	85603-0184
Coconino	110 East Cherry Avenue, Flagstaff	86001-4696
Gila	1400 East Ash Street, Globe	85501-1496
Graham	921 Thatcher Boulevard, Safford	85546-2858
Greenlee	PO Box 1625, Clifton	85533-1625
La Paz	1112 Joshua Avenue, Suite 201, Parker	85344-5755
Maricopa	111 South 3rd Avenue, #103, Phoenix	85003-2225
Mohave	PO Box 70, Kingman	86401-0070
Navajo	PO Box 668, Holbrook	86025-0668

County	County Seat	Zip Code
Pima	115 North Church, Tucson	85701-1199
Pinal	PO Box 848, Florence	85232-0848
Santa Cruz	2150 North Congress Drive, Nogales	85621-1090
Yavapai	1015 Fair Street, Room 228, Prescott	86305-1852
Yuma	410 South Maiden Lane, Yuma	85364-2311

Pick The Winning Team, VOTE

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