

ABSENTEE - NOT REGISTERED TO VOTE NOTICE (RSA 654:16)

TOWN/CITY OF: _____

You are not yet registered to vote. If you return your absentee ballot without submitting the additional forms or information described below **your ballot will not be counted!**

To register to vote without appearing before the Supervisors of the Checklist or the Town/City Clerk you must submit the following forms and **return them in the outer envelope.** I have checked the proof needed below.

You must submit proof of: **Identity** **Citizenship** **Evidence of Domicile**

	Form or Proof Required	Form Enclosed:
	Voter Registration Form	
	Affidavit Form (Absence from Town); or	
	Affidavit Form (Physical Disability)	
Examples of Proof for:	Identity & Evidence of Domicile	A copy of a New Hampshire "Real ID" license showing address claimed as domicile on the Voter Registration form
	Identity & Evidence of Domicile	A copy of a valid New Hampshire Driver's License showing address claimed as domicile on the Voter Registration Form
	Identity & Citizenship	A copy of a passport or passcard
	Identity	A copy of an armed services identification
	Identity	A copy of other photo identification issued by the United States government
	Identity	A copy of a photo identification issued by local or state government
	Identity	A copy of a photo driver's license issued by any state or the federal government
	Citizenship	A copy of a birth certificate
	Citizenship	Naturalization Papers, if born out of the country.
	Evidence of Domicile	A copy of: Rental agreement, lease or deed; Tax bill or similar government issued documents; Document from school showing child attending and showing domicile address; Vehicle registration showing domicile address and applicant's name; Dog license showing applicant's name and domicile address; Postal Service change of address receipt or other document showing applicant's name and domicile address.

To become registered as a voter and to submit an absentee ballot that will be counted you must:

1. Properly complete the **forms** indicated above;
2. Ensure that you have signed the **forms**;
3. If you have to submit an **Affidavit Form**, ensure that a witness has signed the Affidavit;
4. Ensure that you have submitted a readable copy of one of the forms of **proof of identity, citizenship or evidence of domicile** listed above;
5. Place the **forms and proofs of identity, citizenship or evidence of domicile** in the outer envelope, not in the affidavit envelope, and return them with your marked ballot which should be sealed in the inner affidavit envelope;
6. A person assisting a blind voter or voter with a disability who needs assistance executing the affidavit on the envelope shall make and sign a statement on the envelope acknowledging the assistance in order to aid the moderator on election day.
7. Before sealing the outer envelope, make sure you properly complete and sign the affidavit envelope.

Clerk's phone number/email _____

ABSENTEE BALLOT REQUIREMENTS AND INSTRUCTIONS

PLEASE READ TO MAKE SURE YOUR VOTE COUNTS

You may vote by absentee ballot ONLY IF, on the day of the election, one of the following is true:

- You will be absent from the town or city where you are registered to vote;
- 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;
- You cannot appear at any time during polling hours at my polling place because of an employment obligation. For the purposes of this application, the term “employment” shall include the care of children and infirm adults, with or without compensation.
- If the National Weather Service issues a winter storm warning, blizzard warning, or ice storm warning for election day, then you may vote by absentee ballot on the Monday immediately before the election if you meet any of the following criteria:
 - You are elderly, infirm, or have a physical disability, and you have concerns for your safety traveling in the storm; or
 - You care for children or infirm adults and you reasonably anticipate that school, child care, or adult care will be canceled due to the storm, and you will be deterred from voting by the need to care for children or infirm adults.
- You are a victim of domestic violence, have an active protective order, and are participating in the Attorney General’s address confidentiality program; or
- You are an emergency services worker called into service under the circumstances set forth in RSA 657:21-a.

IF ANY OF THE ABOVE CIRCUMSTANCES APPLIES TO YOU, PLEASE CAREFULLY READ THE INSTRUCTIONS ON THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS FORM. If you do not meet one of the requirements listed above, then you may not vote by absentee ballot. Please vote in person on election day.

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Absentee Ballot Requirements and Instructions

For your absentee ballot vote to be counted, please follow these steps:

STEP 1: You must be qualified to vote by absentee ballot for one of the reasons listed on Page 1 of these instructions.

STEP 2: Fill out your ballot. Follow the instructions on the ballot. If you require assistance due to a disability, you may have someone else assist you. The person who assists a voter who has a disability must sign a statement acknowledging the assistance on either the absentee ballot application form and/or affidavit envelope (See Step 4 below).

Important: When filling out your ballot, completely fill in the oval to the right of your choice on the ballot. If the instructions indicate you may vote more than once for a particular office, do not vote more than the number of candidates stated in the instructions. If you vote for more than the stated number of candidates, your vote for that office will not be counted.

STEP 3: Once finished marking the ballot, the voter or the person assisting the voter must place the ballot inside the inner affidavit envelope sent to the voter with the ballot, then seal that inner affidavit envelope. RSA 657:17

STEP 4: Next, the applicant must sign the affidavit printed on the outside of the envelope, unless that person receives assistance due to a disability. The signature certifies under penalty of voting fraud that you meet one of the requirements to vote absentee, RSA 657:7. The person assisting the voter must instead complete the section of the application and affidavit that reads “I attest that I assisted the applicant in executing this form because he/she has a disability.

Signature _____” RSA 657:17.

Print Name _____

STEP 5: Place the completed affidavit envelope, containing the marked ballot, inside the outer envelope. If you are returning absentee voter registration forms and proof of qualifications, place those documents inside the outer envelope and seal the outer envelope.

STEP 6: In the upper left corner of the outer envelope, print the voter’s name, address, and voting place. RSA 657:17. Place postage on the outer envelope and mail it to the clerk. As an alternative, the voter, the voter’s spouse, parent, sibling or child may personally deliver the envelope to the clerk. If delivered to the polls on election day by a spouse, parent sibling or child he or she will be required to present government issued photo identification or have his or her identity verified by the clerk and complete a form provided there by the clerk. RSA 657:17. **The envelopes containing your absentee ballot must be received by the clerk no later than 5:00 PM on election day. RSA 657:21-a, V; 657:22.**

NOTE: If the voter delivers the absentee ballot, affidavit, sealed in the outer envelope in person to the clerk, the voter may voluntarily prove his or her identity using a qualified photo identification, such as a driver’s license or non-driver ID issued by any state. If the voter proves identity, the outer envelope and the Clerk’s list of absentee voters will be marked “voter verified.” If the voter’s absentee ballot is challenged on election day, the Moderator may consider this evidence that the voter’s identity was verified by the clerk when ruling on the challenge.

Visit the Voter Look-up website: <https://app.sos.nh.gov> to track your ballot. You may verify receipt of your absentee application, the date when your absentee ballot was mailed to you, the date the clerk received your completed absentee ballot, and after the election learn if your absentee ballot was rejected/not counted and why. Contact your clerk if you have questions regarding the information on the Voter Look-up web site. RSA 657:26

ABSENTEE VOTER REGISTRATION FORM – TEMPORARILY ABSENT

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
ABSENTEE VOTER REGISTRATION FORM
(RSA 654:17)**



Enabling Residents Temporarily Absent from Town (City) to Register to Vote

AFFIDAVIT

I, _____ do hereby swear or affirm, under the penalties for voting fraud set forth below, the following:

1) That my legal domicile is in the town of _____, New Hampshire, I will be of the age of 18 years or over on election day and am entitled to vote in the election to be held in said town on _____, 20 ____, except for the fact that my name does not appear on the checklist to be used in said town at such election;

2) That I do not intend to be present within said town at such time prior to said election as shall enable me personally to appear before the supervisors of the checklist of said town in their regular sessions for the correction of the checklist for said election;

3) That I am temporarily residing in _____
(city and state) or (city, province and country) (zip code)

4) That I hereby enclose one of the following as proof of identity and domicile:
(a) A copy of a current and valid New Hampshire driver’s license or an armed services identification or other photo identification issued by the United States government that shows my name and address; or
(b) A copy of a current and valid photo identification and a copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, other government document that shows my name and address, or a letter from the administrator of a nursing home or similar facility affirming that I am a resident of that facility that was provided to me at my request pursuant to the administrator’s duty to provide such a letter upon my request;

5) That I acknowledge that if I do not provide a copy of proof of identity and domicile (as required by section 4) above, this application may not be approved; and

6) That I hereby make application for the addition of my name to the checklist of said town to be used at said election.

Signature of Applicant

Date

AFFIRMATION

I, _____, the undersigned witness, do hereby swear or affirm, under the penalties for voting fraud set forth below, that on the _____, day of _____, 20 ____, the above-named _____ having satisfied me as to his or her identity signed the foregoing affidavit in my presence, and did before me swear to (or affirm) the truth of the statements therein contained.

Signature of Witness

Date

In accordance with RSA 659:34, the penalty for knowingly or purposefully providing false information when registering to vote or voting is a class A misdemeanor with a maximum sentence of imprisonment not to exceed one year and a fine not to exceed \$2,000. Fraudulently registering to vote or voting is subject to a civil penalty not to exceed \$5,000.

This form and the Voter Registration Form, when completed, are to be sent directly to the Town or City Clerk of your domicile.

ABSENTEE VOTER REGISTRATION FORM – PHYSICALLY DISABLED

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
ABSENTEE VOTER REGISTRATION FORM
(RSA 654:17)**



Enabling Residents Who are Physically Disabled from Town (City) to Register of Vote

AFFIDAVIT

I, _____ do hereby swear or affirm, under the penalties for voting fraud set forth below, the following:

1) That my legal domicile is in the town of _____, New Hampshire, I will be of the age of 18 years or over on election day, and am entitled to vote in the election to be held in said town on _____, 20 ____, except for the fact that my name does not appear on the checklist to be used in said town at such election;

2) That I am unable by reason of physical disability personally to appear before the supervisors of the checklist of said town in their regular sessions for the correction of the checklist for said election;

3) That I hereby enclose one of the following as proof of identity and domicile:

(a) A copy of a current and valid New Hampshire driver’s license or an armed services identification or other photo identification issued by the United States government that shows my name and address: or

(b) A copy of a current and valid photo identification and a copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, other government document that shows my name and address, or a letter from the administrator of a nursing home or similar facility affirming that I am a resident of that facility that was provided to me at my request pursuant to the administrator’s duty to provide such a letter upon my request;

4) That I acknowledge that if I do not provide a copy of proof of identify and domicile (as required by section 3) above, this application may not be approved; and

5) That I hereby make application for the addition of my name to the checklist of said town to be used at said election.

Signature of Applicant

Date

AFFIRMATION

I, _____, the undersigned witness, do hereby swear or affirm, under the penalties for voting fraud set forth below, that on the _____, day of _____, 20 ____, the above-named _____ having satisfied me as to his or her identity signed the foregoing affidavit in my presence, and did before me swear to (or affirm) the truth of the statements therein contained.

Signature of Witness

Date

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