

Return this application as soon as possible to:

Sibley County Auditor-Treasurer
400 Court Ave, PO Box 51
Gaylord, MN 55334
Email: elections@co.sibley.mn.us
Phone: (507) 237-4070
Fax: (507) 237-4358

Who may apply for a ballot

Each person must apply for themselves. It is a felony to make a false statement in an application for an absentee ballot, to attempt to cast an illegal ballot, or to help anyone to cast an illegal ballot.

Why your phone number and email address are requested

Election officials ask for your phone number and email address so they can contact you to resolve any questions about your application. Providing this information is optional when applying for an absentee ballot with the paper application.

Where to return your application

You should return this to your local election office. If not provided above, contact information for your local election official can be found under "Find County Election Office" at <http://www.mnvotes.org>.

Options for returning Presidential Nomination

Primary absentee ballot applications

Submit an absentee ballot application online at <http://www.mnvotes.org>. -OR- Paper absentee ballot applications may be returned by mail, fax or as a scanned attachment to an email.

When your ballot will be sent

Your absentee ballot materials will be sent to you at least 46 days before the election. If you applied after this date, your ballot will be sent when the application is received. Contact your local election official if you have not received your ballot. To check the status of your absentee ballot, visit <http://www.mnvotes.org>.

Options available to you if you have a disability

You may:

- sign the application yourself,
- make your mark, or
- ask another person to sign for you in your presence (have the person sign their own name as well.)
- If you have adopted the use of a signature stamp for all purposes of signature, you may use your signature stamp or ask another person to use your signature stamp in your presence. (See *Minnesota Statutes*, section 645.44, subdivision 14.)

Information regarding Power of Attorney

Voting is not covered by power of attorney. A power of attorney pertains only to affairs affecting property. A person with power of attorney may only sign for you in your presence, as outlined above. (See *Minnesota Statutes*, section 523.24, subdivision 14.)

If you think you may not be registered to vote

If you are not registered at the legal residence address provided, you will be sent a voter registration application with your ballot materials.

Information for active-duty military and overseas voters

If you are applying for an absentee ballot because you or your family are active-duty military or because you will be overseas and/or outside of the territorial limits of the United States, do not use this application. You are entitled to special protections if you apply using the Federal Postcard Application. For more information and to apply online, go to <http://www.mnvotes.org>.

Privacy Notice

Your exact date of birth, email address, and any ID number you give (Minnesota driver's license, state ID or last four digits of social security number) are private. Only election officials may access it.

Election officials ask for your exact date of birth so they can match your application to your voter record. If you refuse to give your date of birth, you won't get an absentee ballot.

Election officials ask for your email so they can contact you about your application. Also, the Office of the Secretary of State may email you (or contact you another way) about voting and elections, or ask for public input. If applying online for an absentee ballot, you must provide an email address. If you refuse to give an email address you will need to apply with a paper application.

Election officials ask for an ID number to check that the person who is casting the ballot is the same person who applied for it. If you have an ID number but refuse to give it, your absentee ballot might get rejected, and you won't be able to check your absentee ballot status online.

For the Presidential Nomination Primary, your political party preference is required in order for election officials to issue you the correct ballot. Your political party preference is private except it is available to the chair of each major political party. Election officials will also see it in the process of administering the Presidential Nomination Primary. Failure to provide your political party preference means a ballot cannot be issued to you.

The rest of the data you place on your application is public when used for elections, political activities or law enforcement purposes. If you need to keep your contact data private because of personal safety concerns, call 1-877-600-8683 to learn what you can do.