

# DuPage County Vote By Mail (VBM) Checklist

- ☐ Submit VBM application online at [dupageco.org/election](https://dupageco.org/election) **-OR-** Mail in your VBM application so that the Election Division receives it by 4:30 p.m. on March 30.
- ☐ Check your mailbox for your ballot. The Election Division begins mailing VBM ballots on Thursday, February 23 (4+ days to receive your ballot).
- ☐ Complete your ballot as soon as possible, place in the postage-paid envelope, seal it, and **sign the envelope with the signature you use to vote.**
- ☐ Return your ballot:
  - *Mail ballot (must be postmarked by April 4) -OR-*
  - *Place ballot in DuPage County drop box (421 N. County Farm Rd, Wheaton) by November 3 -OR-*
  - *Take ballot to any Early Voting or Election Day Site*

# Voting Your Vote By Mail Ballot

Follow the Election Division instructions enclosed with your ballot (as shown below)

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## VOTE YOUR BALLOT

Instructions for marking the ballot are located on the top of the ballot.

If you spoil or damage your ballot, contact the DuPage County Clerk Election Division at 630-407-5600 for instructions to obtain another ballot.

Write-in candidates may be voted by using the blank line immediately following the last printed candidate name for the chosen office.

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## FOLD YOUR BALLOT

Remove the perforated stub from the top of your ballot.

Fold your ballot in the same manner it was received, insert and seal it in the certification/return ballot envelope.

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## SIGN YOUR BALLOT ENVELOPE



### You must sign and date the return ballot envelope!

The election judges will reject your ballot if the certification/return ballot envelope is not signed. **Your signature will be compared with your voter registration signature.**

You should only complete the **affidavit of delivery** on the certification/return ballot envelope flap if/when your ballot is being hand delivered (by someone other than the United States Postal Service) to the DuPage County Clerk Election Division Office before election day or to a polling location

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## MAIL YOUR BALLOT ENVELOPE

Mail the signed certification/return ballot envelope as soon as possible.

If your ballot is returned to you by the post office, please line out your address and deposit in a mail receptacle.

Your vote by mail ballot must be postmarked no later than election day.

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## BALLOT DROP OFF

You may also drop off your voted ballot at the DuPage County Clerk Election Division office, at drop boxes located at the parking lot and main entrance of the Jack T. Knuepfer Administration Building, 421 County Farm Road, Wheaton, or at a DuPage County polling site.

# #1 Do's & Don'ts of Marking Your Ballot

- Mark your ballot by filling in completely the rectangle box by your desired candidate using a black pen.
- DO NOT USE PENCIL or COLORED INKS.
- Avoid stray marks.
- Neatness counts!

## Mistakes

If you make a mistake, it is ok, but you **MUST** correct it so that your desired choice is clearly understood by VBM judges.

**SAMPLE BALLOT**

**DU PAGE COUNTY GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT November 8, 2022**  
CONDADO DE DU PAGE BOLETA DE LA ELECCIÓN GENERAL 8 DE NOVIEMBRE, 2022

**BLOOMINGDALE 059-0155 JUDGE'S INITIALS: \_\_\_\_\_**

To vote, darken the box to the LEFT of your choice. To cast a write-in vote, darken the box to the LEFT of the blank space provided and write the candidate's name in that space. For specific information, refer to the card of instruction posted in the voting booth. If you tear, spoil, deface or erroneously mark this ballot, return it to the election judge and obtain another.  
Para votar, oscurezca de esta manera la caja que esta al lado IZQUIERDO de su elección. Para emitir un voto por escrito, oscurezca la caja que esta al lado IZQUIERDO del espacio en blanco y escriba el nombre del candidato en ese espacio. Para información específica recurra a la tarjeta de instrucciones que está en la casilla de votación. Si usted rompe, daña, desfigura o erróneamente marca la boleta, regrese al juez electoral y obtenga otra.

STATE OF ILLINOIS  
ESTADO DE ILLINOIS

*Jean Kaczmarek*  
Jean Kaczmarek - DuPage County Clerk  
FEDERAL  
FEDERAL

**FOR UNITED STATES SENATOR**  
PARA SENADOR DE LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS  
(Vote for one)  
(Vote por uno)

☐ TAMMY DUCKWORTH  
DEMOCRATIC

☒ KATHY SALVI  
REPUBLICAN

☐ BILL REDPATH  
LIBERTARIAN

Write-in Escribir en

**LEGISLATIVE**  
LEGISLATIVO

**FOR STATE SENATOR**  
24TH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT  
PARA SENADOR ESTATAL  
24TO. DISTRITO LEGISLATIVO  
(Vote for one)  
(Vote por uno)

☐ LAUREN "LAURIE" NOWAK  
DEMOCRATIC

☐ SETH LEWIS  
REPUBLICAN

**REPRESENTATIVE**  
REPRESENTATIVO

**FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY**  
47TH REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT  
PARA REPRESENTANTE EN LA ASAMBLEA GENERAL  
47MO. DISTRITO REPRESENTATIVO  
(Vote for one)

Write-in Escribir en

**FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL**  
PARA FISCAL GENERAL  
(Vote for one)  
(Vote por uno)

☐ KWAME RAOUL  
DEMOCRATIC

☒ THOMAS G. DeVORE  
REPUBLICAN YES

☐ DANIEL K. ROBIN  
LIBERTARIAN no

**FOR SECRETARY OF STATE**



# #2 Do's & Don'ts of Marking Your Ballot

## Multiple Candidates per Office

- Read carefully to understand the maximum number candidates that can be chosen.
- If you vote for more than the maximum allowed, this will result in an “over vote” and your votes for that office will NOT count!

REPUBLICAN

COUNTY BOARD  
JUNTA DEL CONDADO

FOR MEMBER OF THE COUNTY  
BOARD DISTRICT 6  
PARA MIEMBROS DE LA JUNTA DEL  
CONDADO DEL DISTRITO 6  
(Vote for not more than three)  
(Vote por no más de tres)

☐ SHEILA RUTLEDGE  
DEMOCRATIC

☐ GREG SCHWARZE  
DEMOCRATIC

☐ JAIME RICKLEFS  
DEMOCRATIC

☐ JAMES F. "JIM" ZAY  
REPUBLICAN

☐ ROBERT L. "BOB" LARSEN  
REPUBLICAN

☐ CHRISTINE JENNIFER WINGER  
REPUBLICAN

FOREST PRESERVE

## Write-in Candidates

- ONLY use this line if your candidate of choice is not listed on the ballot.
- Fill in the box and write in the name of your candidate.

*Note: If your candidate's name is listed on the ballot, just fill in the box by their name. **DO NOT** also write in their name on the “write-in” line and **DO NOT** fill in the write-in box. If you do, this will result in an “over vote,” and your vote for this office will NOT count!*

LIBERTARIAN

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE  
PARA LA SECRETARIA DE ESTADO  
(Vote for one)  
(Vote por uno)

☐ ALEXI GIANNOULIAS  
DEMOCRATIC

☐ DAN BRADY  
REPUBLICAN

☐ JON STEWART  
LIBERTARIAN

☐ Write-in Escribir en

## Review Ballot

- Complete both sides of the ballot.
- Have you made any errors?
- If errors, have you indicated your correct choice?
- Over votes = no vote: correct those errors!

# # 3 Returning Your Vote By Mail Ballot: Complete the Envelope

**Vote by Mail Ballot**  
Boleta de Voto por Correo

**Voter: Seal ballot in this envelope and complete certification**  
Elector: Sellar la boleta en esta sobre, y completar la certificación

**Certification Ballot Envelope**  
Sobre de Certificación de Boleta

I state that I am a resident in the township, precinct, address, and city/ village as listed, all in the County of DuPage and State of Illinois; that I have lived at said address for 30 days preceding this election; that I am lawfully entitled to vote in such precinct at the election indicated. I further state that I personally marked the enclosed ballot in secret.

Under penalties as provided by law pursuant to 10 ILCS 5/29-10, the undersigned certifies that the statements set forth in the certification are true and correct.

Yo afirmo ser residente del municipio, del distrito electoral, de la dirección y de la ciudad/ pueblo como indicado, todos pertenecientes al Condado de DuPage y al Estado de Illinois; haber vivido en dicha dirección por 30 días antes de celebrarse esta elección; tener plenamente el derecho de votar en dicho distrito electoral en la elección indicada. Yo además afirmo haber marcado personalmente en secreto la boleta adjunta.

Bajo las penalidades estipuladas por ley conforme a la 10 ILCS 5/29-10, el abajo firmante certifica que las declaraciones expuestas en esta solicitud son verdaderas y correctas.

(Signature of Vote by Mail Voter Required)  
(Se Requiere la Firma del Elector Votando por Correo)

X \_\_\_\_\_

Date / Fecha \_\_\_\_\_

- SIGN and DATE the envelope; this signature MUST match your signature on file with the DuPage County Clerk's office.
- If they do not match, you will be contacted by the Clerk's office for an opportunity to come in to verify your signature.
- If you do not respond, your ballot will be voided, and your vote will not count.

# # 4 Returning Your Vote By Mail Ballot: When to complete the affidavit (envelope flap)

The image shows a sample ballot envelope. The top left corner has a box with the text "NO POSTAGE NECESSARY IF MAILED IN THE UNITED STATES". To the right of this box are four vertical bars. The top right corner has a line for "FROM / DE". The main body of the envelope is divided into two columns by a vertical line. The left column is titled "Affidavit of Delivery" and the right column is titled "Declaración Juranda de Entrega". Both columns have identical text in English and Spanish. The text in the left column is: "I, \_\_\_\_\_, authorize \_\_\_\_\_ to take necessary steps to have this ballot delivered promptly to the office of the election authority." Below this are lines for "(Date)", "(Signature of Voter)", and "(Printed Name of Authorized Delivery Agent)". At the bottom of the left column is a section for "(Signature of Authorized Delivery Agent)". The text in the right column is: "Yo, \_\_\_\_\_, autorizo \_\_\_\_\_ tomar las medidas necesarias para que esta boleta sea entregada inmediatamente a la oficina de la autoridad Electoral." Below this are lines for "(Fecha)", "(Firma de Elector)", and "(Nombre del Individuo Autorizado para enviarla)". At the bottom of the right column is a section for "(Firma del Individuo Autorizado para enviarla)". At the bottom of the envelope, there is a section for "(Individual rendering assistance / Individuo que presta la asistencia)" and a line for "(Address / Dirección)". A blue circle highlights the "Affidavit of Delivery" section.

NO POSTAGE  
NECESSARY  
IF MAILED  
IN THE  
UNITED STATES

FROM / DE

**Affidavit of Delivery**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, authorize \_\_\_\_\_ to take  
(Voter Voting by Mail) (Authorized Individual)  
necessary steps to have this ballot delivered promptly to the office of the election authority

(Date) (Signature of Voter)

(Printed Name of Authorized Delivery Agent)

(Signature of Authorized Delivery Agent)

Complete section below if you were assisted in voting your Vote by Mail ballot.  
Llene la sección de abajo si usted recibió asistencia al marcar su boleta de Voto por Correo.

If I received assistance in casting my ballot, I further attest that, due to physical incapacity, I marked the  
enclosed ballot in secret with the assistance of:  
Si yo recibí asistencia al emitir mi voto, yo además testifico que, debido a mi incapacidad física, yo marqué en secreto  
la boleta adjunta con la asistencia de:

(Individual rendering assistance / Individuo que presta la asistencia)

(Address / Dirección)

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You need to complete the affidavit of delivery only if your ballot is being hand delivered to the DuPage County Election Division Office before election day or to a polling location.

# #5 If Mailing Your Vote By Mail Ballot

The image shows a sample of a mail ballot envelope. A red circle highlights a circular postmark containing the date "April 4, 2023". A red arrow points from the right towards this postmark. The envelope features the following text and markings:

- FROM / DE**: Three horizontal lines for the return address.
- Declaration Juranda de Entrega** (top left, mirrored text):
  - Yo, \_\_\_\_\_ (Elector de Voto por Correo) (Individual Authorized)
  - autorizo \_\_\_\_\_ (Autorized Person)
  - to take \_\_\_\_\_ (Voter Voting by Mail)
  - necessary steps to have this ballot delivered promptly to the office of the election authority
  - medidas necesarias para que esta boleta sea entregada inmediatamente a la oficina de la autoridad Electoral
  - tomar las \_\_\_\_\_ (Individual Authorized)
- Affidavit of Delivery** (top right, mirrored text):
  - \_\_\_\_\_ (Voter Voting by Mail)
  - \_\_\_\_\_ (Authorized Person)
  - \_\_\_\_\_ (Voter Voting by Mail)
  - \_\_\_\_\_ (Authorized Person)
- NO POSTAGE NECESSARY IF MAILED IN THE UNITED STATES** (right side, with horizontal bars below).
- OFFICIAL ELECTION MAIL** (center, with stars and "Authorized by the U.S. Postal Service").
- Official Vote by Mail Balloting Material - First - Class Mail** (center box):
  - Material Oficial para Votación de Voto por Correo - Correo de Primera - Clase
- BUSINESS REPLY MAIL** (center box):
  - FIRST-CLASS MAIL PERMIT NO. 1408 WHEATON, IL
  - POSTAGE WILL BE PAID BY ADDRESSEE
- DUPAGE COUNTY CLERK - ELECTION DIVISION**  
PO BOX 1087  
WHEATON, IL 60187-9684
- Revised June 2020**  
SBE No. B-1-1A 10 ILCS 5/19-5  
AB-4DP-BL  
**RUNBECK ELECTION SERVICES** (vertical text on the left).
- A QR code in the bottom right corner.

## USPS Postmark is IMPORTANT!!!!

- Remember – your mailed ballot must be postmarked by April 4, 2023, and received by April 18, 2023.
- If your ballot is delivered to the Clerk's office AFTER Election Day, the envelope MUST have a postmark indicating a date prior to or no later than Election Day to be valid.



# Still Have Questions?

Email us: [voterservice@wheatonlwvil.org](mailto:voterservice@wheatonlwvil.org)



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