



Mail-in Ballots

Much has been seen on the news about the current administration's attempt to put the United States Postal Service (USPS) in control of whether a ballot is delivered to a voter or returned from the voter to the registrar for counting. This is an ongoing legal situation but here are some tips...

First, make a plan to vote - we have 45 days of early voting in Virginia and several weekend voting options (see below) - put voting on your calendar!

Did not receive your ballot in the mail?

If you are on the permanent absentee ballot list, it should be mailed to you from your local registrar's office on September 18. If you don't get one by early October:

1. Go to an Early Voting location and vote in-person between September 18 and October 31, or
2. Plan to vote in-person at your precinct on Election Day, November 3, polls are open from 6a- 7p.

Early Voting is always better - don't wait for the last minute. If you wait until Election Day, November 3 you will have to vote on a provisional ballot if your absentee ballot was not received. Again, vote early!

If you are not on the permanent absentee ballot list and sign up to get a ballot mailed to you and have not received it in two weeks - also follow the above procedure.

In either case you will just need to say that you did not receive your ballot in the mail.

Polls are open Monday through Friday and on the following weekends.

Sunday, October 18, 2026; Saturday, October 24, 2026; Sunday, October 25, 2026, and Saturday, October 31, 2026.

Received your mail-in ballot but afraid to return it by mail?

You can complete the ballot you received but return it to a **Drop Box**. Drop Boxes are located...

1. At every precinct in your locality on Election Day, November 3
2. At other locations such as Early Voting locations between September 18 and October 31.

Find your early voting site at

<https://www.elections.virginia.gov/casting-a-ballot/polling-place-lookup/>

Call your local registrar if you have any questions:

<https://vote.elections.virginia.gov/VoterInformation/PublicContactLookup>