West Virginia Absentee Ballot Application

Instructions: Voters may apply for an absentee ballot beginning January 1st or 84 days before the election, whichever is earlier. Voters may apply for the November 3, 2020 Statewide General Election beginning August 11, 2020. Voters must apply separately for each election. Voters eligible under section A of number 4 must fill out this application in their own handwriting, unless receiving assistance. Complete the steps below, then mail, fax, or e-mail your application to your County Clerk. He or she must receive your application by the sixth day before the election. Visit GoVoteWV.com for contact information. Military and overseas voter should apply using the Federal Postcard Application.

1 Print your name

First

Middle

Suffix

2 Your current WV residence address

City ____________________________ State ________ Zip Code ____________

Street (not P.O. Box) ____________________________ County: ____________

Date of Birth ______ / ______ / ______

3 Where should we mail your ballot?

Address ____________________________ Phone ____________________________

City ____________________________ State ________ Zip Code ____________

4 Eligibility: Choose one from section A or B

A. I am applying for a paper ballot by mail because I am not able to vote in person during Early Voting or on Election Day due to:

☐ Illness, injury or other medical reason which keeps me confined (includes concerns of COVID-19).

☐ Immobility due to advanced age or a physical disability.

☐ Incarceration or detention in jail or home. I am not under conviction of any felony, of treason or of bribery in an election (including any period of probation or parole). If selected, you must complete the statement on Page 2 of this form.

☐ Employment which because of hours worked and distance from the county seat makes voting in person impossible.

☐ I am a participant in the Address Confidentiality Program (ACP) with the Office of the Secretary of State. If selected, send your application to the Secretary of State’s Office.

☐ The county absentee voting office and my polling place are inaccessible to me due to my physical disability.

☐ Personal business or travel. If selected, your ballot must be mailed outside of your county of residence.

☐ Attnadance at college, university, or other place of education or training. If selected, your ballot must be mailed outside of your county of residence.

☐ Temporarily living outside of the county due to serving as an elected or appointed federal or state officer. If selected, your ballot must be mailed outside of your county of residence.

☐ Temporarily living outside of the county due to a temporary assignment by my employer for a specific period of four years or less. If selected, your ballot must be mailed outside of your county of residence.

B. I am applying for an electronic absentee ballot due to:

☐ A physical disability that prevents me from voting in person and from voting a paper ballot without assistance.

☐ If selected, enter your email address: ____________________________

5 Ballot Information

Election (choose one):

☐ Federal/State/County General Election

☐ City/Town (if separate from county election, submit to your city/town clerk or recorder)

Election Type:

☐ Primary

☐ General

☐ Special

Which political party’s ballot will I receive in a Primary Election?

I’m registered as: ________________________________________________

Ballot you will receive:

Democrat → Democrat

Republican → Republican

Mountain → Non-Partisan or Mountain (Jefferson/Harrison/Taylor Counties only)

Libertarian → Non-Partisan (the Libertarian party nominates by convention)

None of the above → Non-Partisan or request a party ballot here:

☐ Democrat ☐ Republican ☐ Mountain

6 Declaration

Signature/mark of voter (if mark, witness must sign) ☒

Signature of witness to voter’s mark (if needed) ____________________________ Date: ____________

Reason for assistance (if needed): __________________________________________

7 Oath of Voter’s Assistant (If needed)

I, a person giving assistance to the voter above and signing below, hereby swear or affirm, under penalty of law, that I will not in any manner request, persuade or induce the voter I am assisting into voting for someone other than the candidate of the voter’s choice; and I will not keep or make any memorandum or entry of anything, directly or indirectly, nor reveal to any person the name of any candidate or issue voted for by the voter or which ticket he or she voted except when required pursuant to law to give testimony as to the matter in a judicial proceeding.

Signature of person assisting voter ____________________________ Date: ____________
Voter’s Change of Name/Address

If you changed your name and/or address and have not updated your voter registration, please make sure you have entered your new name and/or address on page 1, then enter your previous name and/or address below.

Previous name:
Last___________________________First___________________________Middle________________________Suffix_____

Previous address:
Street (not P.O. Box) _______________________________ County: _________________________________
City _________________________________ State _____ Zip Code ____________

Statement of Sheriff, Chief of Police or Authorized Deputy
(To be completed for applicants voting absentee because of incarceration or detention)

I, ________________________________, hereby declare that the applicant whose signature appears on this application will be confined in the county or city jail or other detention facility or home confinement on the _____ day of______________, 20_____, the date of the election, and is not under conviction of treason, bribery in an election, or felony.

Name of Detention Facility _______________________________ City/County _________________________________
Signature _______________________________ Title _________________________________

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