

# Absentee Voting (Early Voting)

Any qualified elector who is unable or unwilling to appear at the polling place on Election Day may request to vote an absentee ballot. A qualified elector is any U.S. citizen, who will be 18 years of age or older on Election Day, who has resided in the ward or municipality where he or she wishes to vote for at least 10 consecutive days before the election. The elector must also be registered to vote in order to receive an absentee ballot.

## How to apply for an absentee ballot

**Please note:** 2011 Act 227 prohibits a voter who has voted and returned an absentee ballot from voting at the polling place on election day.

If you are not already registered, you will need to register to vote before an absentee ballot can be sent to you. A valid Proof of Residency document is required to register to vote.

### Request by Mail

Download the Application For Absentee Ballot (EL-121) at [www.gab.wi.gov](http://www.gab.wi.gov). Complete the form and mail it to your municipal clerk's office **with a copy of a valid Photo ID**. The application must be received by the clerk no later than 5:00 p.m. on the Thursday before the election in order for an absentee ballot to be mailed to you.

### Request by E-Mail or Fax

A voter may request that a ballot be sent to them by sending an e-mail or fax to their municipal clerk **with a copy of a valid Photo ID**. This request must be made no later than 5:00 p.m. on the Thursday before the election in order for an absentee ballot to be mailed to you.

### In-Person at your Municipal Clerk's Office (By Appointment Only)

In-person absentee voting is by appointment only. If you apply for an absentee ballot in your municipal clerk's office, **you must provide a valid Photo ID** and vote immediately, seal your ballot in the proper envelope, and return it to a member of the clerk's staff. No ballots may be taken from the clerk's office.

**Deadline for Returning Ballot:** The completed ballot must be received by the Municipal Clerk no later than 8:00 p.m. on Election Day. Absentee ballots may NOT be returned to the Clerk by fax or email.

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