

GEORGIA ELECTIONS: EARLY AND ABSENTEE VOTING

 Georgia is one of **34** states which does not require an excuse for a voter to request an absentee ballot. Any Georgia voter can vote via an absentee ballot.

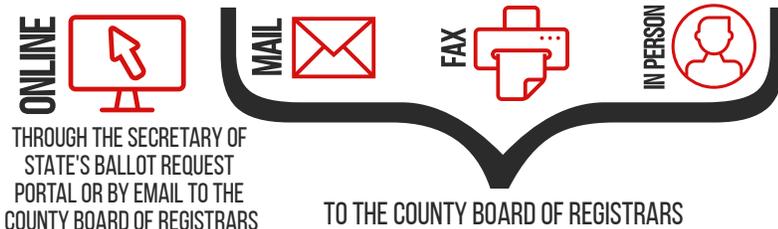
A GEORGIA VOTER CAN REQUEST AN ABSENTEE BALLOT ANY TIME BETWEEN

180 DAYS

BEFORE THE ELECTION AND END OF DAY ON THE FRIDAY BEFORE ELECTION DAY

On the Secretary of State's website, voters can **download** an absentee ballot application or use the **Absentee Ballot Request Portal** to request an absentee ballot online.

ABSENTEE BALLOT APPLICATIONS CAN BE SUBMITTED IN **4** WAYS:



COMPLETED ABSENTEE BALLOTS MUST BE **RETURNED BY MAIL** OR DROPPED OFF AT A **DROP BOX** LOCATION WITHIN THE VOTER'S COUNTY. THE BALLOT MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE COUNTY REGISTRAR BY THE **CLOSE OF THE POLLS** ON ELECTION DAY.



To ensure an absentee ballot is **received and counted**, voters can track their ballot's progress in **2** ways:

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- If a voter requests an absentee ballot, but then decides to **vote in person**, the voter should bring the unused ballot with them to the polls to have it cancelled. If the voter has not received the ballot yet or they don't bring it to the voting place, they must sign an **affidavit** confirming that they have not and will not vote with the absentee ballot.
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THE UNIFORMED AND OVERSEAS CITIZENS ABSENTEE VOTING ACT

A FEDERAL LAW, ENACTED IN 1986, WHICH REQUIRES STATES TO ALLOW CERTAIN GROUPS OF **OVERSEAS CITIZENS** TO REGISTER AND VOTE ABSENTEE IN ELECTIONS FOR FEDERAL OFFICES.

In addition to absentee voting by mail, Georgia voters also have the option of **early or advance voting** in person.

 DURING THE PERIOD OF ADVANCED VOTING, VOTERS ARE PERMITTED TO VOTE AT **ANY EARLY VOTING LOCATION** WITHIN THEIR COUNTY.

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STATES, INCLUDING GEORGIA, PERMIT SOME FORM OF EARLY VOTING

The period of advanced voting in Georgia begins on the **4th Monday** prior to Election Day and concludes on the **Friday before** Election Day.

