

EVERY VOTE MATTERS!



ABSENTEE VOTING DEADLINES & VOTING TIPS

ABSENTEE-BY-MAIL DEADLINES

- **January 1, 2026:** Absentee ballot applications open.
- **October 24, 2026:** Deadline to request a regular absentee ballot by mail.
- **November 3, 2026:** Election Day.
- **8:00 p.m. on November 3:** Deadline to return your ballot in person to an authorized voting location.
- If returning by mail, mail it as early as possible, do not wait until Election Day because delivery time can vary.
 - **Recommended for Rural areas to mail in ASAP!**

ELECTRONIC BALLOT DELIVERY

If you need your ballot sent electronically:

- **October 19, 2026:** Electronic transmission becomes available (15 days before Election Day).
- **November 2, 2026:** Deadline to receive absentee by electronic transmission ballot applications.
- This option is especially useful if you're traveling, living outside Alaska temporarily, or concerned about getting a mailed ballot in time.

BEST PRACTICES

If you know you'll be voting absentee:

1. **Request the ballot well before October 24.**
2. Once it arrives, **vote and return it immediately.**
3. **If mailing, allow substantial time for USPS delivery. (Especially in rural areas)**
4. If you're in Alaska and can get to an authorized location, **hand-delivery by 8 p.m. November 3 avoids relying on mail delivery.**
5. Check your ballot/application status through the Division of Election: My Voter Information system – https://www.elections.alaska.gov/voter-information/absentee-and-early-voting/?utm_source=In-Person

GENERAL ELECTION

VOTING ON
TUESDAY
NOVEMBER 3

Take a look at our Regional Voter Toolkits

Each toolkit includes resources to help individuals, families, and communities understand the voting process and participate confidently within their region.

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IMPORTANT DEADLINE DATES:

- **October 4, 2026**
 - Last Day to Register to Vote or Update Your Registration
- **October 19, 2026**
 - Early Voting Begins: absentee in-person voting, electronic transmission voting, and special needs voting begin statewide.
- **October 24, 2026**
 - Recommended Last Day to Request an Absentee Ballot by Mail
- **October 27, 2026**
 - Rural areas are recommended to mail in their Absentee Ballots ASAP
- **November 2, 2026**
 - Deadline to receive absentee by electronic transmission ballot applications.
- **November 3, 2026 — General Election Day**
 - Polls are open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.



“ Every vote is a stand for our people, our rights, and our future. It is a promise to defend our community and protect what our ancestors fought to preserve, so that our Indigenous ways of life remain strong and continue to thrive for generations to come.

—Benjamin Mallott,
President of the Alaska Federation of Natives (AFN)

Learn more about voting by visiting AFN's Voting Resource page:
<https://nativefederation.org/voting-resources/>

