



State Absentee Ballot Request Form

North Carolina
Surry County

SURRY COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

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General Instructions

A person must be a registered voter in their North Carolina county of residence in order to request an absentee ballot. If not registered to vote in the proper county, a person must submit a voter registration application along with this form. Voter registration applications are available online at www.ncsbe.gov. The deadline to register to vote is 25 days prior to the date of the election.

Completing the Form

The voter's full name, residential address, date of birth and an identification number (see **Proof of Identification** below) must be provided on this form. This information will be used to confirm your voter registration. In addition, this form must be signed by the voter or the voter's near relative or qualified legal guardian.

Who may make a request for an absentee ballot

Either the voter or the voter's near relative or qualified legal guardian may request an absentee ballot. A "near relative" is defined as the voter's spouse, brother, sister, parent, grandparent, child, grandchild, mother-in-law, father-in-law, daughter-in-law, son-in-law, stepparent, or stepchild.

Who may not make a request for an absentee ballot

If a registered voter is a patient in any hospital, clinic, nursing home or rest home in this State, it is unlawful for any owner, manager, director, employee, or other person, other than the voter's near relative or verifiable legal guardian, to request an absentee ballot on behalf of the voter. The voter's county board of elections should be contacted if a voter in a hospital, clinic, nursing home or rest home in this State needs assistance requesting or voting an absentee ballot.

Updating Voter Information

This form may also serve as a voter change form; however, changes in voter registration may only be made by the voter.

Proof of Identification

If the voter's identification number (NC driver license number, NC DMV-issued identification card number, or last four digits of social security number) is not provided, then provide with this request a copy of a document that shows the name and residential address of the voter: a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or other government document.

Ballot Availability

Absentee balloting materials are mailed to voters once ballots for an election are available. For most elections, ballots will be available 50 days prior to the date of the election. Absentee ballots are available 60 days prior to the date of a statewide general election and 30 days prior to the date of a city or municipal election.

Submitting the form

Submit this form to the Surry County Board of Elections no later than 5:00 p.m. on the Tuesday before the date of the election.

In-Person: Surry County Board of Elections, Courthouse – Lower Level, 201 E. Kapp Street, Dobson, NC 27017

By mail: P. O. Box 372, Dobson, NC 27017

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A separate request is required for each election.

