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Maryland State Board of Elections Begins Sending Mail-In Ballot Request Forms in Advance of 2022 Primary Election

State law requires voters to complete a request form in order to receive a mail-in ballot

ANNAPOLIS (January 31, 2022) – The Maryland State Board of Elections is mailing ballot request forms for mail-in ballots to over 3 million registered Maryland voters in advance of the State’s 2022 Primary Election. Ballot requests forms will begin arriving in mailboxes later this week.

Maryland’s 2022 Primary Election will be held Tuesday, June 28, 2022.

This year, Maryland state law (HB1048 and SB683) requires that election officials send all voters a form to request a mail-in ballot. After filling out the request form, sign and seal it and return it in the postage paid envelope that accompanies the form. To receive a mail-in ballot for the primary election, return envelopes must be received by June 21, 2022.

Alternatively, voters can [request a mail-in ballot online](#) if they have a Maryland driver’s license or MVA-issued ID card. To complete an application online, visit vote.md.gov/NeedBallot. Voters may also visit their [local board of elections](#) and fill out and return their ballot request form.

Voters who want to vote in person should not fill out and return the form.

This first phase of request forms for the primary election are addressed to registered Democrats and registered Republicans.

Voters registered with other political parties, such as the Green Party and Libertarian Party, and unaffiliated voters will receive a request form in a second phase of mailers if there is a primary election in their school board district. Request forms for these voters will be mailed after the deadline for candidates to file for office, so that election officials will know where there are contested school board elections.

There will be a final phase of mailers after the primary election for all other registered voters.

To vote by mail, you must be registered to vote in Maryland. Visit elections.maryland.gov to register or update your voter record.

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