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The Supreme Court Upholds Maryland's Mail-In Ballot Law Among Other States

Annapolis (June 29, 2026) - Today the Maryland State Board of Elections is excited to share that the U.S. Supreme Court has issued a ruling in [Watson v. Republican National Committee](#) that upholds states' authority to process mail-in ballots received after Election Day provided that the ballots are timely postmarked by Election Day. This ruling safeguards mail-in ballot voters from potentially being disenfranchised from federal elections.

Mail-in ballots are considered timely if they are postmarked on or before Election Day or there is a proper date on the voter's oath, and the ballots are received by 10 a.m. on the second Friday after the Election Day.

Jared DeMarinis, State Administrator of Elections, states "this law protects the rights of mail-in voters to make informed choices up to and including Election Day. Voters can cast their mail-in ballots confidentially in the upcoming General Election knowing there will be no changes to Maryland's law regarding receiving mail-in ballots."

Please remember to rely on your state and local government election officials as your trusted sources for election information. Additional information about Maryland's Elections can be found at elections.maryland.gov or by downloading the free Go Vote Maryland! app from the [Google Play store](#) or the [Apple store](#).

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