



# COLORADO – IMPORTANT MAIL-IN BALLOT AND ELECTION INFORMATION

Your County Clerk's information is available on the Secretary of State's website at <http://www.sos.state.co.us>

## Mail-In Ballot Application Deadlines and Replacement Instructions

- The Change of Residence section should be used only if you have moved within your county and will have lived at the new residence address at least 30 days prior to the election for which you are requesting a Mail-In Ballot. If your residence address has changed from one Colorado county to another, you must register to vote with your new residence county prior to applying for a Mail-In Ballot.
- If you wish to have a Mail-In Ballot MAILED TO YOU, this application must be received by the County Clerk's Office by close of business on Tuesday, the seventh day preceding Election Day. Mail-In Ballots may be obtained IN PERSON at the County Clerk's Office until close of business on the Friday preceding Election Day.
- Mail-In Ballots will be mailed approximately 30 days prior to Election Day, or thereafter within 3 days of the county clerk receiving a request for a Mail-In Ballot.
- In the event your original Mail-In Ballot is not received, or it becomes "spoiled," you may request a Replacement Mail-In Ballot. Contact your County Clerk's Elections Office for additional information about obtaining a Replacement Mail-In Ballot.
- If you request a Mail-In Ballot and lose it, or for some reason are not able to vote it, you may vote during Early Voting (see below) or on Election Day. When you vote, you will be provided a Provisional Ballot, and you must affirm that you requested a Mail-In Ballot and did not and will not vote it.

## First Time Voters Who Register by Mail to Vote in the State of Colorado

If you are a **first time voter and you registered by mail** to vote in the State of Colorado, you were required to submit with your application one of the following forms of identification. If you have not already done so, you must submit a copy of one of these forms of identification when you return your Mail-In Ballot Application. **DO NOT** include original documents with the application. Please submit a copy of one of the following forms of identification:

- A valid Colorado driver's license
- A valid identification card issued by the department of revenue
- A valid United States passport
- A valid employee identification card with a photograph of the eligible elector issued by any branch, department, agency, or entity of the United States government or of this state, or by any county, municipality, board, authority, or other political subdivision of this state
- A valid pilot's license issued by the federal aviation administration or other authorized agency of the United States
- A valid United States military identification card with a photograph of the eligible elector
- A copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or other government document that shows the name and address of the elector
- A valid Medicare or Medicaid card issued by the United States health care financing administration
- A certified copy of a birth certificate for the elector issued in the United States
- Certified documentation of naturalization
- A valid student identification card with a photograph issued by an institution of higher education in Colorado

Any form of identification that shows the address of the eligible elector shall be considered identification only if the address is in the state of Colorado. Please see SOS Rule 30.1.6 for additional information regarding acceptable forms of identification.

## Permanent Mail-In Ballot Information

After the County Clerk & Recorder receives your completed application or letter to receive a Permanent Mail-In Ballot, your name will be placed on a list to receive a Mail-In Ballot for each applicable election.

Once your name is placed on the list to receive a Permanent Mail-In Ballot, you will remain on the list until one of the following:

- You send a letter, or fill out this form and select the check box "Remove my name from the list." Send the letter or completed form to your County Clerk's Elections Office.
- Your Mail-In Ballot is returned to the County Clerk & Recorder as undeliverable.
- Your voter registration record is marked "Inactive."

## How to Determine Election Dates

Election Dates are defined by Colorado Revised Statute. Use the following information to determine the exact date for future elections:

- Primary Election - Held on the second Tuesday of August in each even-numbered year.
- General Election - Held on the Tuesday succeeding the first Monday of November in each even-numbered year.
- Odd-Numbered Year Election – Held on the first Tuesday in November in odd-numbered years.

## Early Voting Information

- Each County Clerk and Recorder shall provide one or more Early Voting polling place(s), each of which shall be accessible to persons with disabilities.
- Early Voting is available to any eligible elector during regular business hours for 10 days before a Primary Election and for 15 days before a November election conducted by the County Clerk and Recorder.
- Information regarding Early Voting availability, locations, and schedules may be obtained by visiting your county website or by contacting your County Clerk and Recorder's Office.