

Electronic Absentee Voting for Persons with Physical Disabilities

On February 3, 2020 Governor Jim Justice signed Senate Bill 94 into law, expanding who is eligible to vote using electronic absentee ballots. Electronic absentee ballots can provide a more accessible way for people with physical disabilities to vote privately and securely. For example, an eligible voter will be able to use an electronic ballot marker on his or her computer or phone.

Who is eligible for electronic absentee voting?

Registered voters who:

Cannot make it to the polling place due to a physical disability

AND

Cannot vote a paper ballot without assistance due to a physical disability.



I'm eligible. Where and when can I apply?

- Statewide Primary Elections: Beginning January 1 of the election year.
- Statewide General Elections: No sooner than the 84th day before the election.
- Your County Clerk must receive your application no later than the 6th day before an election.
- Unless you apply to be on the Permanent Absentee list, you must apply before each election.

How do I apply?

1. Download the absentee application at GoVoteWV.com or request it from your County Clerk.
2. Follow the instructions on the application. Be sure to check the box to vote electronically and to enter your email address.
3. Submit your application to your County Clerk by mail, fax or email.

A County Clerk directory is available at GoVoteWV.com. You may also call the Secretary of State at 866-767-8683 for County Clerk information.

What happens next?

You will receive an email when your ballot is ready, along with instructions on how to cast your ballot.

More Information

More information regarding electronic absentee voting is available at GoVoteWV.com or by contacting **Disability Rights of West Virginia**.

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