

October 19, 2012

Jefferson County Board of Supervisors
Gary Petre, County Administrator

Dear Mr. Petre and County Board Members,

I appreciate being considered to serve on the Mid-Wisconsin Federated Library System Board as a representative of Jefferson County. I have a strong interest in our community libraries both as a user, being a member of a local library book club, and as a citizen, witnessing the positive effects our library has especially on my community's children and elderly residents.

As a Board Trustee, I want to insure that all citizens of the county have equal access to a public library. Also, I would enhance local services by developing and funding programs that strengthen library services through shared resources.

I am the City of Waterloo's representative to the Jefferson County Economic Development Consortium (JCEDC), where I serve as vice chairman. I attend monthly meetings and participate on special committees when required for the JCEDC. Consequently, I will be an active library board trustee and attend the regularly scheduled board meetings.

Participating as a team member of the library board, I will protect and advance the interests of Jefferson County, as well as the other member counties, by effectively governing the operations and promoting the development of our local public library system. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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Voting 101: Back to Basics

A Guide and Resources for Wisconsin Voters



Brought to you by the Wisconsin Government Accountability Board

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Voter Eligibility

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Who is eligible to vote in Wisconsin?	
You must be 18 Years of Age	All voters in Wisconsin must be at least 18 years of age to vote on the day of the election. Persons who are otherwise eligible to vote may register to vote at 17 years of age if they will be 18 by the next election.
You must be a U.S. Citizen	You must be a U.S. citizen in order to vote. Citizenship is documented through a U.S. birth certificate or a Certificate of Naturalization. Green card or Visa status does not qualify as citizenship for voting purposes.
You must meet the 28 day residency requirement	<p>You must have resided at your current address for at least 28 days prior to the election.</p> <p>If you have moved to a new address within Wisconsin within 28 days of an election, you may be qualified to vote from your former address until you meet the 28 day requirement at your new address.</p> <p>If you have moved to Wisconsin from another state less than 28 days before an election, you are only eligible to vote a Presidential only ballot in Wisconsin until you achieve the 28 days.</p>
Who is not eligible to vote in Wisconsin?	
If you have not met requirements above	If you have not met the eligibility requirements detailed above, you are not eligible to vote.
If you are a felon	If you are currently serving any portion of a felony sentence, including probation, you are not eligible to vote in Wisconsin. Once your felony sentence is complete and your rights have been restored, your right to vote is also reinstated, but you will need to re-register.
If you are adjudged incompetent to vote	If a judge has specifically adjudged you to be incompetent to vote, you are not eligible to vote in Wisconsin. If you have been adjudged incompetent, but not specifically incompetent to vote, then you are still eligible to vote.
If you placed a bet or wager on the election	You are not eligible to vote if you have placed a bet or a wager on the outcome of the election.
If you already voted in the election	Each voter is eligible to vote only once in any given election. You are not eligible to vote if you have already cast a ballot (regular or absentee) in that election.

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Voter Registration

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<p>What has changed in the law?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ <u>Photo ID is never required when registering to vote.</u> However, proof of residence may still be required. ➤ Voters who will reside at their address for at least 28 days by Election Day are eligible to vote. Voters who have moved within Wisconsin less than 28 days before the election must vote from their previous address, either by absentee ballot or at the polling place. Voters who have moved to Wisconsin from another state less than 28 days before an election are only eligible to vote in Presidential elections. ➤ As of June 2011, Wisconsin law no longer allows a “corroborating witness” to provide proof of residence. See the “Proof of Residence” documents for more details. ➤ As of June 2011, voters may no longer register in the clerk’s office after the Friday before the election. Voters may still register at the polling place on Election Day.
<p>What do I need to bring when I register to vote?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ If you have been issued a WI driver license and it is current and valid, you must provide the number and expiration date. If you have not been issued a WI driver license you must provide either your WI DOT-issued ID number OR the last 4 digits of your Social Security number.
<p>How and when may I register to vote?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ By mail. up to 20 days before the election. Registration forms should be mailed to your municipal clerk. Forms are available at http://gab.wi.gov, or the Voter Public Access website, http://myvote.wi.gov. These forms must be printed, signed, and mailed to the clerk. If you are a first time voter in the State of Wisconsin, and you register by mail, you must provide proof of residence (Cannot be a residential lease). ➤ By Special Registration Deputy (SRDs). – As of June 2011, the G.A.B. can no longer train statewide SRDs, so SRDs will be trained by some municipalities to collect voter registration forms in that municipality only. Those SRDs must turn in all registration forms by 5:00 pm on the 20th day before the election and cannot collect registrations after that date. If you register with a Special Registration Deputy, you are not required to provide proof of residence. ➤ In the municipal clerk’s office during the open registration period. If you register with the municipal clerk 20 days or more before the election, you are not required to provide proof of residence. ➤ In the municipal clerk’s office during the closed registration period. If you register in the clerk’s office less than 20 days before the election, you must provide proof of residence. Registration ends the Friday before the election at 5:00 p.m. or close of business, whichever is later. ➤ At the polling place on Election Day. All electors who register on Election Day must provide proof of residence.

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Wisconsin Voter Registration Form

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Wisconsin Voter Registration Application		<input type="checkbox"/> Submitted by Mail <small>(2016-1 Use Only)</small>
<small>Confidential Elector (DE) (2017-1 Use Only) (2016-1 Use Only)</small>		<small>SVRS ID # (2016-1 Use Only)</small>
Instructions	<p>Instructions for completion are on the back of this form. Return this form to your municipal clerk, unless directed otherwise.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please use uppercase (CAPITAL) letters only. Fill in circles as appropriate. • If you have not previously voted in WI and are submitting this form by mail, you must also provide a copy of your proof of residence (see reverse). • NOTE: If this is a change of address, then upon completion of this application your voting rights will be cancelled at your previous residence. 	
1	<input type="checkbox"/> New WI Voter <input type="checkbox"/> Name Change <input type="checkbox"/> Address Change	Municipality: <input type="checkbox"/> Town <input type="checkbox"/> Village <input type="checkbox"/> City County: _____
2	WI Driver License or WI DOT-Issued ID (DL # required if issued) Social Security Number - Last Four Digits (if driver license not issued or not current and valid)	Expiration Date: _____ X X X - X X - <input type="checkbox"/> I have neither a WI Driver License/ID nor a Social Security Number.
3	Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Middle Name: _____ Suffix (e.g. Jr, II, etc.): _____ Phone #: _____ Date of Birth (MM/YYYY): _____ Email Address: _____	
4	If you are a military or permanent overseas elector, fill in the appropriate circle (see Instructions for definitions): <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Permanent Overseas Residence Address: Street Number & Name: _____ Apt. Number: _____ City: _____ State & ZIP: _____	
5	Mailing Address: Street Number & Name: _____ Apt. Number: _____ City: _____ State & ZIP: _____	
6	Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Middle Name: _____ Suffix (e.g. Jr, II, etc.): _____	
7	Previous Address: Street Number & Name: _____ Apt. Number: _____ City: _____ State & ZIP: _____	
8	Accommodation needed at poll location (e.g. wheelchair access): <input type="checkbox"/> I am interested in being a poll worker.	
9	If you do not have a street number or address, use the map to show where you live. • Mark crossroads • 'X' where you live • Use dots for landmarks Example: 	
9	Please answer the following questions by filling in "Yes" or "No": 1. Are you a citizen of the United States of America? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No 2. Will you be 18 years of age or older on or before election day? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If you filled in "No" in response to EITHER of these questions, do not complete this form.	
10	I hereby certify, to the best of my knowledge, that I am a qualified elector, a U.S. citizen, at least 18 years old or will be at least 18 years old at the time of the next election, having resided at the above residential address for at least 28 consecutive days immediately preceding this election, with no present intent to move. I am not currently serving a sentence including incarceration, parole, probation, or extended supervision for a felony conviction, and not otherwise disqualified from voting. I certify that all statements on this form are true and correct. If I have provided false information I may be subject to fine or imprisonment under State and Federal laws. If completed on Election Day: I further certify that I have not voted in this election. Please sign below to acknowledge that you have read and understand the above.	
11	Signature of Elector: _____ X	Today's Date (MM/YY/YYYY): _____ Election Day Voter # (2016-1 use only): _____
Falsification of information on this form is punishable under Wisconsin law as a Class I felony.		
12	Assistant Signature: _____ Official's Signature: _____	Assistant Address: _____ SRDs printed name and SRD#: _____ Proof of Residence type (2016-1 use only): _____ Proof of Residence # (2016-1 use only): _____
13	Ward: _____ Precinct: _____	St. Senate: _____ Congress: _____

GAB-131 (REV 6/2012)

Form with complete instructions can be found at: <http://gab.wi.gov/forms/gab-131-fillable>

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Proof of Residence for Voter Registration

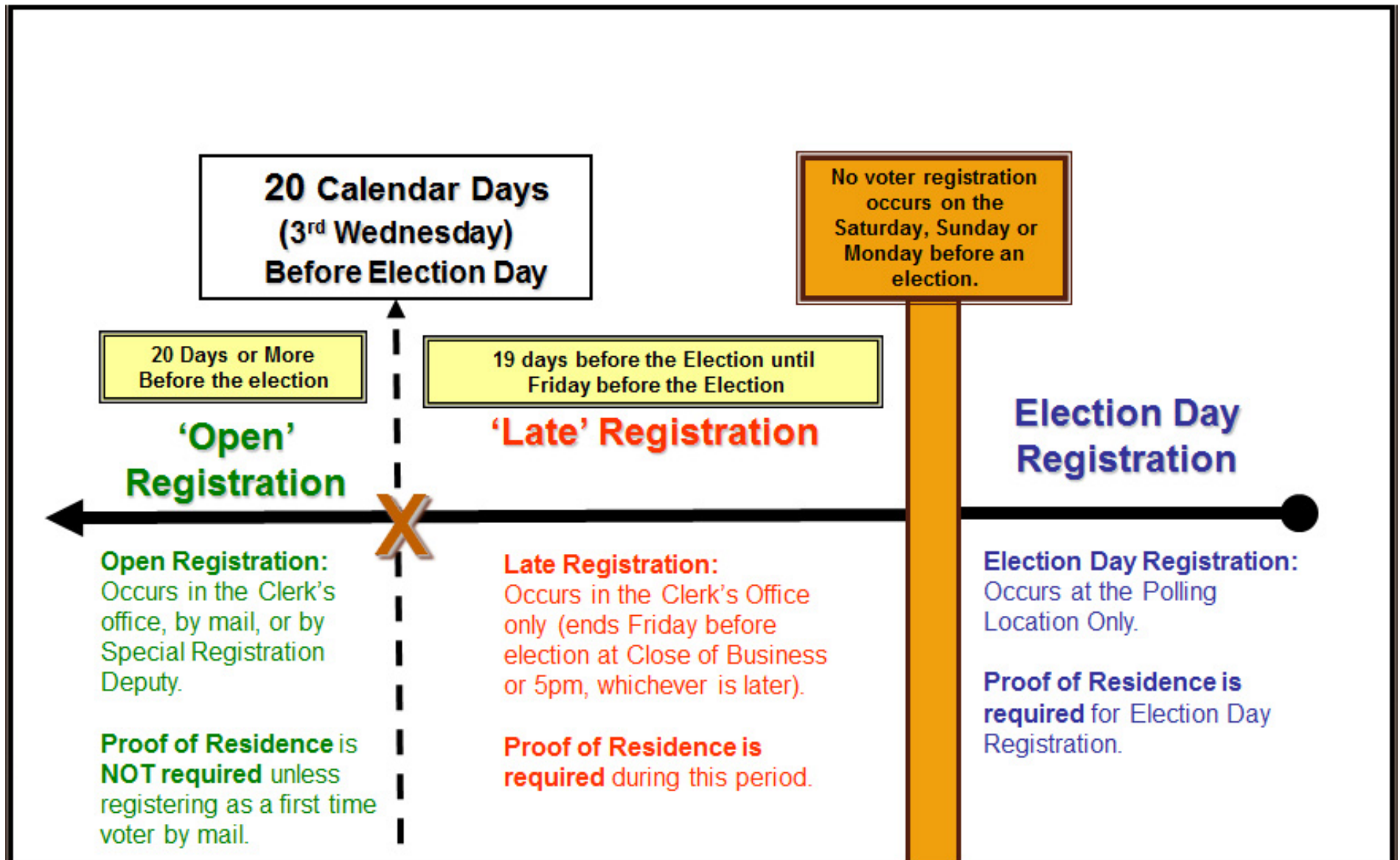
Information provided by the Wisconsin Government Accountability Board

What has changed in the law?	As of June 2011, Wisconsin law no longer allows “corroborating witnesses” to provide proof of residence. Voters who are required to provide proof of residence must provide one of the documents listed below.
When must proof of residence be provided?	Voters must provide proof of residence if they are:
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) First-time registrants in Wisconsin, and they are registering by mail. 2) Registering in the clerk’s office during the “Closed Registration” period less than 20 days before the election. 3) Registering at the polls on Election Day.
What is acceptable proof of residence?	<p>All proof of residence documents must include the voter’s name and current address.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A current and valid Wisconsin driver license or identification card. ➤ Any other official identification card or license issued by a Wisconsin governmental body or unit. ➤ Any identification card issued by an employer in the normal course of business and bearing a photo of the card holder, but not including a business card. ➤ A real estate tax bill or receipt for the current year or the year preceding the date of the election. ➤ A university, college, or technical college identification card (must include photo) ONLY if the voter provides a fee receipt dated within the last 9 months or the institution provides a certified housing list to the municipal clerk. ➤ A gas, electric, or telephone service statement (utility bill) for the period commencing no earlier than 90 days before Election Day. ➤ Bank statement. ➤ Paycheck. ➤ A check or other document issued by a unit of government. ➤ An affidavit on public or private social service agency letterhead identifying a homeless voter and describing the individual’s residence for voting purposes. ➤ Residential lease that is effective on date of registration. (Not valid if registering by mail.)
Will my WI Driver License or WI ID card always count as proof of residence?	Only a <u>current and valid</u> (unexpired and not suspended or revoked) Wisconsin driver license or Wisconsin state ID card with the voter’s current name and address qualifies as proof of residence .
How do I present my document?	You may present your proof of residence document as a paper document or as an electronic document on your smartphone, tablet, or computer. An internet connection will not be provided for your use.

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Registration Timelines



List of Possible Proof of Residence Documents

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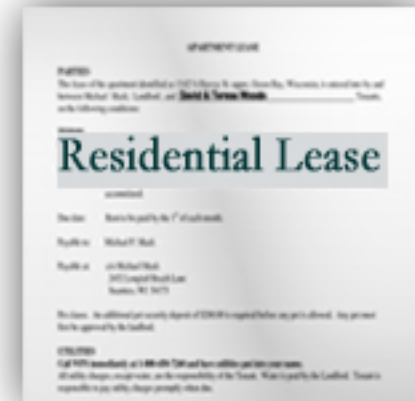
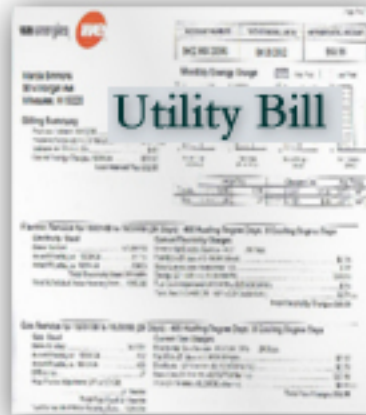
<p>What are examples of government agencies who can issue Proof of Residence documents?</p>	<p>THIS IS NOT A COMPREHENSIVE LIST. THESE ARE ONLY EXAMPLES OF UNITS OF GOVERNMENT.</p> <p>Government agencies can include local, state, or federal units of government.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Local units of government include: city, town or village clerk or treasurer’s office, your county clerk or treasurer, and many others. ➤ State units of government include: Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV or DOT), Department of Natural Resources (DNR), Department of Workforce Development (DWD), Department of Human Services, and many others. ➤ Federal units of government include: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Medicare (not second party vendors), Social Security, and many others.
<p>What are examples of Proof of Residence documents issues by a government agency?</p>	<p>THIS IS NOT A COMPREHENSIVE LIST. THESE ARE ONLY EXAMPLES OF PROOF OF RESIDENCE DOCUMENTS.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Fishing and hunting licenses ➤ Vehicle registrations ➤ Food stamps, Wisconsin Works, Wisconsin Shares, and BadgerCare notices and correspondence ➤ Medicare notices and Medicare Explanation of Benefits (not from 2nd party providers or other health insurance providers) ➤ Social Security and SSI notices and benefits statements ➤ Public high school, technical college, and public university correspondence and documents, including: admissions correspondence, financial aid notices, report cards, and schedules ➤ Federal student loan correspondence and notices ➤ Billing statements and collection notices from a governmental entity ➤ Correspondence from a federally recognized Native American Tribe living in Wisconsin.
<p>What if I am unsure if my document will qualify?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ If you are unsure if your document will qualify as acceptable proof of residence, please call: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Your municipal clerk, contact information can be found at http://myvote.wi.gov • The Government Accountability Board: 1-866-VOTE-WIS or gab@wi.gov

REMEMBER: Acceptable Proof of Residence documents must always include the voter’s name and current address.

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Acceptable Proof of Residence



FIRST BANK OF WIKI

CHECKING ACCOUNT STATEMENT

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Date	Description	Debit	Credit	Balance
2012-01-01	Opening Balance			1000.00
2012-01-15	Payroll Deposit - WIKI		500.00	1500.00
2012-01-20	ATM Withdrawal - ANYTOWN	200.00		1300.00
2012-01-25	Phone Bill	50.00		1250.00
2012-02-01	ATM Deposit		100.00	1350.00
2012-02-10	ATM Withdrawal	75.00		1275.00
2012-02-15	Telephone Bill Payment - WIKI	20.00		1255.00
2012-02-20	Payroll Deposit - WIKI		500.00	1755.00
2012-02-25	High Funds Transfer - FROM SOURCE	200.00		1555.00
2012-03-01	Phone Bill Payment - INSURANCE	30.00		1525.00
2012-03-05	Change No. 888		100.00	1625.00
2012-03-10	Withdrawal Payment	750.00		875.00
2012-03-15	Phone - Universal	1.00		874.00
2012-03-18	Phone - Mobility	1.00		873.00
	** Total **		1,000.00	1,873.00

Wisconsin Government Accountability Board's Guide to Student Residency for Voting

<p>What are the requirements for voting residency in Wisconsin?</p>	<p>Under Wisconsin Statutes, an individual must reside in an election ward for at least 28 consecutive days before the election and have no present intent to move. A person does not lose residency for voting purposes by leaving an established residence for temporary purposes with the intent to return to the residence.</p>
<p>What is the 28 consecutive day requirement?</p>	<p>The 28 consecutive day requirement does not mean that a voter must sleep at or remain at that location for 28 consecutive days before being eligible to vote there. For instance, a voter may move to a location on a weekend 30 days before an election with the intent to make it their voting residence, spend time travelling or at the previous residence on a temporary basis for part or all of the next 28 days, and still vote from the new location. In that case the voter has established a physical presence at the new ward with the required intent to claim residency and the voter can vote from this address even if they are gone for temporary purposes. An example is a truck driver who is only home on the weekend continues to accrue days for the 28-day requirement throughout an entire month even though the individual may not be physically present at the home more than 2 consecutive days.</p>
<p>What is meant by “no present intent to move” and “intent to return”?</p>	<p>It is not necessary that there be an intention to remain permanently at the voting residence. It is sufficient that the place is for the time being the home of the voter to the exclusion of other places. Once established, a person’s residency is presumed to continue until a new one is established. A voter’s statements and actions alone can establish intent.</p>
<p>When do I need to prove my residency?</p>	<p>If you are registering to vote, you may need to provide documentation proving your residency. There are 4 ways to register to vote: by mail, in your municipal clerk’s office, with a Special Registration Deputy, or at the polls on Election Day. If you are a first time registrant in the State of Wisconsin the only time you do not need to provide a proof of residence document is if you are registering at your municipal clerk’s office, or with a Special Registration Deputy more than 20 days before the election. All other times you need to provide a document proving your residence.</p> <p>If you are currently a registered voter in the State of Wisconsin, but have changed your name or address, you must re-register. For these voters, the only times you need to provide a document proving your residence is when registering in your municipal clerk’s office less than 20 days before an election or at the polls on election day. A list of acceptable proof of registration documents can be found at: http://gab.wi.gov/node/2444</p>
<p>What should I do if my residency or eligibility is being questioned?</p>	<p>Student status is not a consideration in determining residence for the purpose of establishing voter residency. Also, the proof of residence document is not used to confirm that the 28 day residency requirement is met. The voter’s sworn statement on the registration application should be taken at face value unless an inspector or challenger has direct evidence to the contrary. Wisconsin law places the burden on the person who challenges the voter’s residency to provide evidence of their challenge.</p> <p>If there is a challenge to your registration or your eligibility to vote, the Chief Election Inspector at your polling place will conduct the challenge process. If you believe your right to vote is being incorrectly challenged you should first talk to the Chief Election Inspector. If you need further assistance, contact your municipal clerk’s office and if necessary, the Wisconsin Government Accountability Board (G.A.B.).</p>

Where May I Vote?

A student who has registered to vote at a campus address and continues to live there must vote from that location. A student who has registered to vote at a home address and lives on campus may vote from the home address or may register and vote from the campus address.

<p>If I have resided at my campus address for 28 consecutive days, will live at my parents’ home or elsewhere during the summer, and intend to return to a campus address in the fall, where may I vote?</p>	<p>Once a student has established residency at a campus address, the student may vote using the student’s campus address until the student establishes a new voting residence. This is the case even if the student is temporarily away from campus and does not know their campus address for the following school year. If the student has previously registered to vote at a campus address, the student may not register to vote at a home or different address until re-establishing residency for 28 consecutive days prior to the election.</p> <p>Alternatively, a student may register to vote from a home address if the student has not yet registered to vote from a campus address. In that case the student’s home address is considered the permanent address for voting purposes and the student is only temporarily away from that address during the school year.</p>
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<p>If I have graduated or have left school, or am moving from my campus address and do not intend to return in the fall, where may I vote?</p>	<p>An individual who is registered to vote at a Wisconsin campus or home address, leaves that address permanently, and moves to another Wisconsin residence may continue to vote using the prior address until establishing residency for 28 consecutive days at the new location.</p> <p>An individual who leaves their Wisconsin campus or home address and moves to an out-of-State residence, and who has no intent to return to the ward in which the prior address is located, may not vote in an election from the prior address.</p>
<p>If I registered to vote at my campus address and move to another address where I do not register to vote, can I vote from my parents' residence?</p>	<p>The Wisconsin Statutes recognize that students may continue to use their parents' residence as a voting residence unless they terminate that option by registration or some similar act. When a student has moved from one campus address and established residency at another campus address so that they can no longer vote at the first address, they regain the option to vote at their parents' address. For an individual who is no longer lawfully registered at one campus address, their decision to establish a voting residence separate from their parents' residence, has essentially expired. For example, a student may have voted in 2008, moved several times since then, and has not registered to vote at a new campus location since 2008. In that case the student may vote from their home address or register to vote at the new campus address.</p>
<p>May I establish residency at home and vote from that location after previously having voted on campus?</p>	<p>A student may re-establish residency at the home address during summer break, another school break, or even a weekend, if the student has the required intent to establish that residency as their voting address. If the student intends to make the home address their residency for voting purposes, and begins to establish or re-establish a physical presence there at least 28 days before the election, the student is permitted to vote at the home address.</p>
<p>What if I voted from my home address in the last election and want to vote from my campus residence for the next election?</p>	<p>If the student intends to make the campus address their residency for voting purposes, and begins to establish or re-establish a physical presence there at least 28 days before the election, the student is permitted to vote at the campus address. For example, a student voted at home at the spring election. During the summer, the student stays at the campus address and re-establishes residency there with the intent to make it their permanent residence for voting in the fall election. As long as the student has re-established a physical presence for at least 28 days before the fall election, the student is permitted to vote at their campus address.</p>
<p>Where may I vote if I am leaving Wisconsin or am new to Wisconsin?</p>	<p>A Wisconsin resident who attends school in another state may continue to vote from their Wisconsin residence until registering elsewhere. An out-of-state resident attending school in Wisconsin may register to vote at a campus address. An individual may have only one active registration.</p>

For More Election Information

<p>Student Residency</p>	<p>For more detailed information on student residency issues, visit: http://gab.wi.gov/node/2444</p>
<p>Voter Registration</p>	<p>Registration can occur 4 ways: by mail, with a special registration deputy, in-person in your municipal clerk's office, or at the polls on election day. For more information on registration including forms and deadlines, visit: http://gab.wi.gov/elections-voting/voters/registration-voting</p>
<p>Proof of Residence</p>	<p>The Proof of Residence document can be paper or electronic government correspondence, a WI Driver license, WI ID Card, utility bill, or another document identified in the Wisconsin State Statutes. For more information including a list of acceptable documents, visit: http://gab.wi.gov/node/2371</p>
<p>Absentee Voting</p>	<p>To request an absentee ballot, submit a request to your municipal clerk. For more information on absentee voting, including forms, visit: http://gab.wi.gov/elections-voting/voters/absentee</p>
<p>Voter Public Access (VPA)</p>	<p>To check your registration record, find your polling place, find contact information for your municipal clerk, view a sample ballot, and more , visit: http://myvote.wi.gov</p>
<p>G.A.B. Contact Information</p>	<p>Phone: 1-866-VOTE-WIS; E-mail: gab.wi.gov; Website: gab.wi.gov</p>



Absentee Voting

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Who can vote by absentee ballot?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Any eligible, registered, Wisconsin elector can vote by absentee ballot. You do not need a reason. Whether you have a hard time getting to the polls due to a disability or if it is just more convenient for you to vote by mail, all qualified Wisconsin elections are eligible to vote by absentee ballot.
When may I vote by absentee ballot?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Absentee ballots are available by mail 47 days before the partisan primary and Presidential elections and 21 days before state, local, and other elections. ➤ Wisconsin law restricts absentee voting <i>in the clerk's office</i> to a two week period, beginning the third Monday before the election and ending the Friday before the election. Voters may no longer register, or vote absentee, on the weekend or the Monday before the election.
How do I vote by in-person absentee ballot?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ You can complete your absentee ballot in-person in the clerk's office or you can request an absentee ballot be sent to you by mail. ➤ In-person absentee voting only occurs during a two week period, beginning the third Monday before the election and ending the Friday before the election. (for the November 2012 election Absentee voting will occur from October 22, 2012 through November 2, 2012).
How do I vote in-person in the clerk's office?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ When absentee voting in-person in your municipal clerk's office, you will complete your ballot and then insert the ballot into an absentee ballot envelope/certificate. You will need to complete all the required fields and sign the certification on the envelope in order for your ballot to be counted. To view a sample absentee ballot envelope visit: http://gab.wi.gov/forms/gab-122-2012
How do I cast an absentee ballot by mail?	<p>To request an absentee ballot be sent to you by mail, you may send a request to your municipal clerk by mail, fax, or e-mail. The absentee ballot request form is available at: http://gab.wi.gov/forms/gab-121-english</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Regular absentee ballot requests must be received by your municipal clerk no later than 5:00 p.m. the Thursday before an election to receive a ballot for that election. (Deadline for November 6, 2012 election is Thursday, November 1, 2012).
When may I vote by absentee ballot?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ As of June 2011, Wisconsin law restricts absentee voting <i>in the clerk's office</i> to a two week period, beginning the third Monday before the election and ending the Friday before the election. Voters may no longer register, or vote absentee, on the weekend or the Monday before the election.

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Absentee Voting (Continued)

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<p>Can I request ballots for more than one election?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ On your absentee ballot application, you can select to receive your ballots for one specific election, or for all elections in a calendar year. ➤ If you are indefinitely confined (meaning it is difficult for you to get to the polls) due to age, illness, infirmity, or disability you may request that an absentee ballot be sent to you automatically for every election. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When you choose this option, an absentee ballot will be sent to you for every election and will only discontinue if you fail to return a ballot.
<p>How do I return my absentee Ballot?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ You must return your absentee ballot in the COMPLETED absentee ballot envelope/certification that was provided to you with your ballot by your municipal clerk. If your absentee ballot envelope/certification is not complete, your ballot will not be counted. <p>You may return your ballot either by mail or through personal delivery to your municipal clerk's office.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ If you are returning your absentee ballot to your municipal clerk by mail, it must be postmarked no later than Election Day (Tuesday, November 6, 2012) and received by the clerk not later than 4:00 p.m. on the Friday after the election (4:00 p.m., Friday, November 9, 2012). ➤ If you are delivering your completed absentee ballot to your municipal clerk's office, it must be received no later than Election Day (Tuesday, November 6, 2012).
<p>What if I voted by absentee ballot, then change my mind and wish to vote at the polls instead?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Wisconsin Act 227 mostly prohibits a voter who has voted and returned an absentee ballot from voting at the polling place on Election Day.
<p>How do I find my municipal clerk's contact information?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Visit the Wisconsin Government Accountability Board's Voter Public Access website: http://myvote.wi.gov
<p>Are their special absentee rules for Military and permanent overseas voters?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Yes, military and permanently overseas voters can receive their absentee ballot by e-mail, fax, or mail. ➤ Some deadlines are different for military and permanent overseas voters. Visit http://myvote.wi.gov and click on the "Military voter" or "permanent overseas voter" icon for more information.

Voter Information: <http://myvote.wi.gov>

For more information, please visit the Government Accountability Board website: <http://gab.wi.gov> or call 1-866-VOTE-WIS or contact the G.A.B. Help Desk at 608-261-2028 or TTY 1-800-947-3529.

Absentee Ballot Request Form

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 Wisconsin Application for Absentee Ballot	
<small>Confidential Elector ID# (Pencil - sequential #, 0/0 for use only)</small>	<small>SVRS ID # (0/0 for use only)</small>
Instructions for completion are on the back of this form. Return this form to your municipal clerk when completed. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Please use uppercase (CAPITAL) letters only. Fill in circles as appropriate. You must be registered to vote before you can receive an absentee ballot. You can confirm your voter registration at http://votes.wisconsin.gov 	
VOTER INFORMATION	
1 Municipality	<input type="checkbox"/> Town <input type="checkbox"/> Village <input type="checkbox"/> City
County	
Last Name	
First Name	
Middle Name	
Suffix (e.g. Jr., II, etc.)	
Date of Birth	
Phone	Fax
Email	
Residence Address: Street Number & Name	
Apt. Number	City
State & ZIP	
4 If you are a military or permanent overseas elector, fill in the appropriate circle (see Instructions for definitions): <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Permanent Overseas	
I PREFER TO RECEIVE MY ABSENTEE BALLOT BY: (Ballot will be mailed to the address above if no preference is indicated)	
5	<input type="checkbox"/> MAIL Mailing Address: Street Number & Name Apt. Number City State & ZIP
	<input type="checkbox"/> CLERK'S OFFICE Nursing Home Name (if applicable) C / O (if applicable)
	<input type="checkbox"/> FAX Fax Number <i>Military and Permanent Overseas only</i>
	<input type="checkbox"/> EMAIL Email Address <i>Military and Permanent Overseas only</i>
	<input type="checkbox"/> I REQUEST AN ABSENTEE BALLOT BE SENT TO ME FOR: (mark only one)
6	<input type="checkbox"/> The election(s) on the following date(s): _____ <input type="checkbox"/> All elections from today's date through the end of the current calendar year (ending 12/31). <input type="checkbox"/> Every election subsequent to today's date. I further certify that I am indefinitely confined because of age, illness, infirmity or disability and request absentee ballots be sent to me until I am no longer confined or fail to return a ballot.
TEMPORARILY HOSPITALIZED VOTERS ONLY (please fill in circle)	
<input type="checkbox"/> I certify that I cannot appear at the polling place on election day because I am hospitalized, and appoint the following person to serve as my agent, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 6.86(3).	
Agent Last Name	
Agent First Name	
Agent Middle Name	
7 AGENT: I certify that I am the duly appointed agent of the hospitalized absentee elector, that the absentee ballot to be received by me is received solely for the benefit of the above named hospitalized elector, and that such ballot will be promptly transmitted by me to that elector and then returned to the municipal clerk or the proper polling place.	
Agent Signature	
Agent Address	
ASSISTANT DECLARATION / CERTIFICATION (if required)	
I certify that the application is made on request and by authorization of the named elector, who is unable to sign the application due to physical disability.	
Assistant Signature	Today's Date
VOTER DECLARATION / CERTIFICATION (required for all voters)	
I certify that I am a qualified elector, a U.S. Citizen, at least 18 years old, having resided at the above residential address for at least 28 consecutive days immediately preceding this election, not currently serving a sentence including probation or parole for a felony conviction, and not otherwise disqualified from voting. Please sign below to acknowledge that you have read and understand the above.	
Voter Signature	Today's Date

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Form with complete instructions can be found at: <http://gab.wi.gov/forms/gab-121-english>

Voter Information: <http://myvote.wi.gov>

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Election Day Voting

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<p>How does election day registration work?</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">All voters must be registered in order to vote in Wisconsin. <i>(Active Military electors are exempt)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ If you are not already registered, or if your name and address has changed since you last registered, you may register to vote on Election Day. ➤ There will be a table set up at your polling place specifically for registration. If you are registering at the polling place, make sure you have proof of residence and your WI driver license or WI state ID card number. If you have not been issued a WI driver license you must provide either your WI DOT-issued ID number or the last 4 digits of your Social Security number.
<p>When are the polls open?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ All polling places in Wisconsin are open from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Election Day.
<p>What is the election day voting process?</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Fill out a new registration form if necessary. Newly registering voters will have to provide proof of residence. 2) Poll workers will ask you to state your name and address. This has always been a requirement. 3) Poll workers will ask you to sign the poll list. Sign using your normal signature whether that is your carefully written or printed full name or an “x”. If you are unable to sign due to a physical disability, you should inform a poll worker that you are unable to sign and the poll worker may exempt you from this requirement. 4) Poll workers write the Election Day Voter Number on the poll list, and issue the voter a ballot. <p>Please be understanding and kind to the poll workers and voters!</p>
<p>Are there accommodations at the polls for those with disabilities?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Yes, every polling place is required to be accessible to those with disabilities. ➤ All polling places are equipped with accessible voting equipment. ➤ If you need assistance, you may bring an assistant or ask a poll worker to assist you in voting. ➤ If you have a difficult time getting into the polling place, you may vote from your car using curbside voting. ➤ For more information, visit: http://gab.wi.gov/elections-voting/voters/voter-resources
<p>Will I need to provide photo ID when voting at the polls?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ No. Currently there is NO Photo ID required to vote in Wisconsin.

Voter Information: <http://myvote.wi.gov>

For more information, please visit the Government Accountability Board website: <http://gab.wi.gov> or call 1-866-VOTE-WIS or contact the G.A.B. Help Desk at 608-261-2028 or TTY 1-800-947-3529.

Wisconsin Guide to Voter Rights and Responsibilities

	Voter Responsibility		Voter Resource
Registration	You must be registered in order to vote in Wisconsin. Register by mail, in-person at your municipal clerk's office, or at the polls on Election Day. Check the Government Accountability Board (G.A.B.) My Vote WI website for more information including deadlines and forms.		http://myvote.wi.gov
Absentee Voting	If you cannot make it to the polls on Election Day, it is your responsibility to arrange absentee voting, which is a privilege not a right. Vote absentee by mail or in-person at your municipal clerk's office. There are deadlines for requesting and returning an absentee ballot on the G.A.B. website.		http://gab.wi.gov/elections-voting/voters/absentee
Proof of Residence	If you are registering to vote in the 20 days before any election, at the polls on Election Day, or for the first time by mail, you must provide a proof of residence document, which must have your name and address on it. It can be paper or electronic government correspondence, a WI driver license, WI ID card, utility bill, or another document identified in State Statutes. For a list of acceptable documents, visit the G.A.B. website.		http://gab.wi.gov/elections-voting/voters/registration-voting
Election Information	All voters must vote from their assigned polling place. Voter registration and absentee voting is done in conjunction with your municipal clerk. To review your voter registration record, to find your polling place, and to find your municipal clerk's information, visit My Vote WI.		http://myvote.wi.gov
	Rights	Responsibilities	Repercussions
Voting	<p>The Wisconsin Constitution and state statutes give you the right to vote if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • you are a U.S. citizen • you are at least 18 years of age • you have lived at your current address for 28 consecutive days. <p>However, you must not be otherwise restricted from voting, meaning:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • you are not a convicted felon whose civil rights are not yet restored • you have not been adjudged incompetent • you have not already voted in that election. 	<p>Know what you must do on Election Day:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • be registered to vote • re-register if you have moved or changed your name • vote at your assigned polling place between 7 a.m. and 8 p.m.* • state your full name and address • sign the poll book. <p>You must not wear any political paraphernalia such as campaign shirts, hats or buttons to the polls.</p> <p>* Voters in line by 8 p.m. on election day may complete the voting process.</p> <p>Preparing for Election Day ensures that you are able to exercise your right to vote without complications.</p>	<p>Voter fraud is a felony:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • election fraud is a felony punishable by a fine up to \$10,000, imprisonment for up to 3 and one-half years, or both. • examples of voter fraud include voting or registering to vote while you are not eligible, voting more than once in an election, or impersonating another voter.

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Observing Elections	<p>As an election observer you have the right to observe:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> elections at the polling place challenges and the counting and reconciliation process at the end of the night, including copies of electronic voting equipment tally tapes voters during most of the election process. <p>Procedures for election observers are described in Wisconsin Statutes Chapter 7.41 and the Election Observer Rules At-A-Glance brochure.</p>	<p>Observers must do the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> sign in with the chief inspector upon arrival wear an observer badge stay in the observer area direct questions and comments to only the chief inspector obey orders of the chief inspector. <p>Observers must NOT do the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> talk to voters watch voters mark their ballots touch official or voter documents be disorderly or disruptive wear political paraphernalia take photos or video until polls are closed talk on phones in observer area. 	<p>If you disobey an order of an election official or disturb the polling or canvass place:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> you may be asked to leave if you are causing a disruption; if you do not leave the polling place when asked, law enforcement may be called you may be fined \$1,000, imprisoned for not more than 6 months, or both if you are asked to leave the polling place, you will not be allowed to observe elections at other polling places that day .
Challenges	<p>You have the right to challenge another voter's qualifications to vote if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> you are eligible to vote in Wisconsin you know or have a reasonable basis to suspect the person does not meet the legal requirements to vote. <p>Procedures for challenging voters are described in Wisconsin Statutes Chapter 6.925 and Administrative rules Chapter GAB 9.</p>	<p>When making a challenge:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> you may not challenge voters because of their appearance or the language they speak if you challenge, the chief inspector will ask you under oath for evidence why you believe the person is not qualified to vote. 	<p>Frivolous challenges will not be accepted or tolerated:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> if you abuse the right to challenge by disrupting the polling place, the chief inspector may order you to be removed if you disobey an order of an election official or disturb the polling or canvass place, you may be fined \$1,000, imprisoned for not more than 6 months, or both.

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Voter Resources

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Voter Tools and Resources	
My Vote WI	<p>http://myvote.wi.gov</p> <p>The G.A.B.'s My Vote WI site is full of useful information for voters. On My Vote WI you can find the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Look up your voter registration record. • Find your polling place. • Find your municipal clerk's contact information. • View a sample ballot for the next election. • Track your absentee or provisional ballot. • Complete an online voter registration form which can be mailed or delivered to your municipal clerk. • Military and permanent overseas voters can receive their ballot online which can be mailed or delivered to your municipal clerk.
My Vote WI Elections App	<p>The My Vote WI app is the G.A.B.'s exciting new mobile adaptation of our My Vote WI website. On the mobile app you can:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Look up your voter registration record. • Find your polling place, with GPS directions. • Find your municipal clerk's information, with GPS directions and one touch calling and e-mailing. • View a sample ballot for the next election. • Track your absentee or provisional ballot. • Count down until the next election on your phone's home screen.
Facebook	<p>http://facebook.com/wisconsin_governmentaccountabilityboard</p> <p>The G.A.B.'s Facebook page is filled with up-to-date news and information on elections in Wisconsin.</p>
Twitter	<p>http://twitter.com/wisconsin_gab</p> <p>The G.A.B.'s Twitter page is a great resource for elections news and events.</p>

Registration Deadlines for November 6, 2012 Presidential Election

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Important Voter Registration Deadlines ***For the November 6, 2012 Presidential Election***

Mail-in Registration Application	If you mail in your application for the November, 2012 election, it must be <i>postmarked</i> by October 17, 2012 . If you are registering by mail for the first time in WI, do not forget you will need to provide a paper or electronic copy of a proof of residence document.
Register In-person in the Clerk's office	You can register <i>in-person</i> in the clerk's office between August 15 and October 17, 2012 . If you are registering in the clerk's office during this time you do not need a proof of residence document. You can also register to vote <i>in-person</i> in the clerk's office between October 17, 2012 and November 2, 2012 , but during this time you will need to provide a proof of residence document.
At the Polls During Election Day	You can register to vote on Election Day at the polls. All polls are open on Election Day, Tuesday, November 6, 2012, from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. You will need to provide a proof of residence document.

Municipal Clerk Contact Info

If you are mailing your registration form for the November 6, 2012 election, or if you would like to register in-person at the clerk's office, to find your municipal clerk's information:

Visiting: <http://myvote.wi.gov>

Calling: 1-866-VOTE-WIS

Your Polling Place

All Wisconsin voters must vote at their assigned polling place, which is determined by the address where you are registered. To find your polling place:

Visit: <http://myvote.wi.gov>

Call: Your municipal clerk or the Wisconsin Government Accountability Board at 1-866-VOTE-WIS.

Other Information

To check your registration status, verify your polling place, view a sample ballot, and more, visit:
The G.A.B.'s Voter Public Access website at: <http://myvote.wi.gov>

Wisconsin's Voter Registration Form is located at:
<http://gab.wi.gov/forms/gab-131-fillable>

Voter Information: <http://myvote.wi.gov>

For more information, please visit the Government Accountability Board website: <http://gab.wi.gov> or call 1-866-VOTE-WIS or contact the G.A.B. Help Desk at 608-261-2028 or TTY 1-800-947-3529.

Absentee Deadlines for November 6, 2012 Presidential Election

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Important Absentee Voting Deadlines

November 6, 2012 Presidential Election

Deadlines for Requesting an Absentee Ballot

Mail-in Absentee Ballot Request Form	If you mail your absentee ballot application to your municipal clerk for the November 6, 2012 election, it must be <i>received</i> by your municipal clerk's office by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 1, 2012.
Fax or E-mail Absentee Ballot Request Form	If you e-mail or fax your absentee ballot application for the November 6, 2012 election, it must be <i>received</i> by your municipal clerk's office by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 1, 2012 for most electors.
In-person Absentee Voting	You can <i>complete</i> an absentee ballot in your municipal clerk's office until 5:00 p.m. or Close of Business (whichever is later) on Friday, November 2, 2012. You cannot cast an absentee ballot in your clerk's office the Saturday, Sunday, or Monday before an election.

Deadlines for Returning an Absentee Ballot

Returning Absentee Ballots by Mail	If you are returning your absentee ballot to your municipal clerk by mail, it must be <i>postmarked</i> no later than Election Day, Tuesday, November 6, 2012 , and <i>received</i> by the clerk not later than 4:00 p.m. on Friday, November 9, 2012.
Returning Absentee Ballots by Delivery to the Clerk's Office or Your Polling Place	If you are delivering your completed absentee ballot to your municipal clerk's office, it must be <i>received</i> no later than Election Day, Tuesday, November 6, 2012. You may return your completed ballot to your clerk's office or to the polling place no later than 8:00 p.m. on Election Day.
Election Day	Please note that Wisconsin Act 227 prohibits a voter who has voted and returned a completed absentee ballot from voting at the polling place on Election Day.

There are specific absentee voting deadlines for military voters, permanent overseas voters, hospitalized voters, and sequestered jurors. If you fall into one of these categories, please contact your municipal clerk or the Wisconsin Government Accountability Board.

Clerk Contact Info

If you are mailing your absentee ballot request, or returning or completing your ballot at your municipal clerk's office for the November 6, 2012 Election, to find your municipal clerks information:

Visit: <http://myvote.wi.gov>

Call: 1-866-VOTE-WIS

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<http://gab.wi.gov/forms/gab-121-english>

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