Absent Voter Ballot Application

Application for absent voter ballot for:

☐ The primary or special primary election to be held on _____, 20_____.

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I, _____, a United States citizen and a qualified and registered elector of the _____Precinct of the city of _____ or township of _____in the County of _____ and State of Michigan, apply for an official ballot, or ballots, to be voted by me at the election or elections as requested in this application.

The statutory grounds on which I base my request are (check applicable reason):

☐ I expect to be absent from the community in which I am registered for the entire time the polls are open on election day.

☐ I am physically unable to attend the polls without the assistance of another.

☐ I cannot attend the polls because of the tenets of my religion.

☐ I have been appointed an election precinct inspector in a precinct other than the precinct where I reside.

☐ I am 60 years of age or older.

☐ I cannot attend the polls because I am confined to jail awaiting arraignment or trial.

Send absent voter ballot to me at:

_____

Street Address or R.R.

_____

Post Office City State Zip Code

My registered address:

_____

Street Address or R.R.

_____

Post Office City State Zip Code

I CERTIFY THAT I AM A UNITED STATES CITIZEN AND THAT THE STATEMENTS IN THIS ABSENT VOTER BALLOT APPLICATION ARE TRUE

Sign Here: _____

Signature Date

WARNING:

You must be a United States citizen to vote. If you are not a United States citizen, you will not be issued an absent voter ballot. A person making a false statement in this absent voter ballot application is guilty of a misdemeanor. It is a violation of Michigan election law for a person other than those listed in the instructions to return, offer to return, agree to return, or solicit to return your absent voter ballot application to the clerk. An assistant authorized by the clerk who receives absent voter ballot applications at a location other than the clerk's office must have credentials signed by the clerk. Ask to see his or her credentials before entrusting your application with a person claiming to have the clerk's authorization to return your application.

FILL OUT THIS BOTTOM PORTION <u>ONLY</u> IF YOU ARE ASSISTING A VOTER IN FILING THIS APPLICATION

Certificate of Authorized Registered Elector Returning Absent Voter Ballot Application

I certify that my name is _____, my address is _____, and my date of birth is _____; that I am delivering the absent voter ballot application of _____ at his or her request; that I did not solicit or request to return the application; that I have not made any markings on the application; that I have not altered the application in any way; that I have not influenced the applicant; and that I am aware that a false statement in this certificate is a violation of Michigan election law.

Sign Here: _____

Signature Date

INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLICANTS FOR ABSENT VOTER BALLOTS

Step 1. After completely filling out the application, sign and date the application in the place designated. Your signature must appear on the application or you will not receive an absent voter ballot.

Step 2. Deliver the application by 1 of the following methods:

(a) Place the application in an envelope addressed to the appropriate clerk and place the necessary postage upon the return envelope and deposit it in the United States mail or with another public postal service, express mail service, parcel post service, or common carrier.

(b) Deliver the application personally to the clerk's office, to the clerk, or to an authorized assistant of the clerk.

(c) In either (a) or (b), a member of the immediate family of the voter including a father-in-law, mother-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in law, grandparent, or grandchild or a person residing in the voter's household may mail or deliver the application to the clerk for the applicant.

(d) If an applicant cannot return the application in any of the above methods, the applicant may select any registered elector to return the application. The person returning the application must sign and return the certificate at the bottom of the application.