Instructions

How to vote by mail ballot

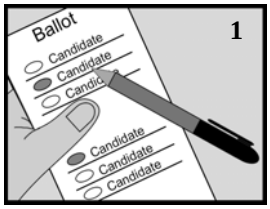
You will need:

- Ballot*
- Tan ballot envelope*
- White signature envelope*
- Pen with black ink

*If any of these items are missing, please contact your local election official.

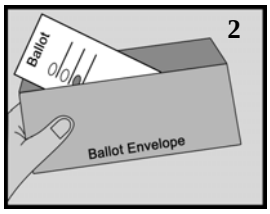
- Witness
  Anyone registered to vote in Minnesota,
  including your spouse or relative,
  or a notary public,
  or a person with the authority to administer oaths

❶ Vote!



- Show your witness your blank ballot, then mark your votes in private.
- Follow the instructions on the ballot.
- Do <u>not</u> write your name or ID number anywhere on the ballot.
- Do <u>not</u> vote for more candidates than allowed.
  If you do, your votes for that office will not count.

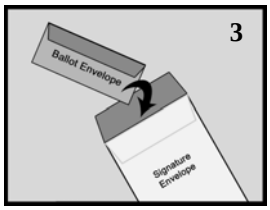
See the other side if you make a mistake on your ballot.



❷ Seal your ballot in the tan ballot envelope

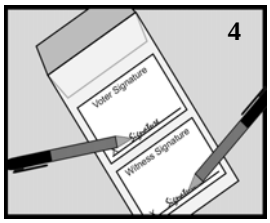
- Do not write on this envelope.

❸ Put the tan ballot envelope into the white signature envelope



❹ Fill out the white signature envelope <u>completely</u>

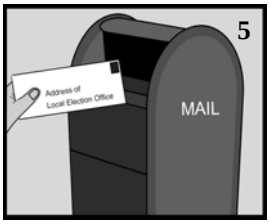
- If there is no label, print your name and Minnesota address.
- Read and sign the oath.
- Ask your witness to print their name and Minnesota <u>street</u> address, including city (not a P.O. Box), and sign their name.
  If your witness is an official or notary, they must print their title instead of an address.
  Notaries must also affix their stamp.
- Seal the envelope.



❺ Return your ballot <u>by Election Day to the address on the signature envelope</u>

You have three options:

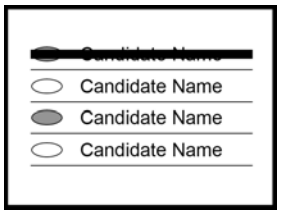
- Send it so it arrives by Election Day, using U.S. mail or a package delivery service,
- Deliver it in person by 8:00 p.m. on Election Day, or
- Ask someone to deliver it by 8:00 p.m. on Election Day.
  This person cannot deliver more than 3 ballots.



If you have questions, please call: (…) …-…. .

See other side for special instructions if you have a disability

Correcting a mistake



- If time allows, ask for a new ballot from your election office. Their contact information can be found in the return address section of the envelope in which you received these materials.
- Completely cross out the name of the candidate you accidentally marked and then mark your ballot for the candidate you prefer (do not initial your corrections).

If you have a disability:

If you have a disability or cannot mark your ballot, your witness may assist you by marking your ballot at your direction, assembling the materials, and filling out the forms for you.

When signing the envelope, Minnesota law says you may:

- Sign the return envelope yourself, or
- Make your mark, or
- Ask your witness to sign for you in your presence. (Have the witness sign their own name as well.)
- If you have adopted the use of a signature stamp for all purposes of signature, you may use your signature stamp or ask your witness to use your signature stamp in your presence.

Minnesota Statutes, section 645.44, subdivision 14

Please note: Voting is not covered by power of attorney. A person with power of attorney may only sign for you in your presence, as outlined above.