

Michigan Department of State

Military Voting Rights



Those serving overseas should be able to participate fully in our democracy without significant barriers or obstacles. Special services are currently provided to assist military voters' participation in elections. New efforts are underway to make voting even easier for those who serve our country.

Register to vote

- **Register** at Michigan.gov/Vote.
- You can also register by **downloading and completing** the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) from the Federal Voting Assistance Program at FVAP.gov.

Check the status of your voter registration at Michigan.gov/Vote.

Request your ballot

Request an absentee ballot be sent to you by email, fax or regular mail.

- **Download** the FPCA from FVAP.gov.
 - **Fill it out** and check the box to indicate how you want to receive your ballot.
 - **Submit the FPCA** to your local clerk by postal mail, fax or email.
- **Visit Michigan.gov/Vote** to check the status of your requested ballot and view your ballot ahead of time.

Cast your vote and submit your ballot

Return your ballot by regular mail so it's received by Election Day.

We must do more

Michigan Secretary of State Jocelyn Benson proposes the following legislative action to ensure the votes of service members and their families are counted and that they have convenient, secure access to voting.

Allow absentee ballots of military members and their families to be counted after Election Day, as long as they are postmarked by Election Day and received in time for canvassing.

Allow military members serving overseas and their spouses to securely return their ballots electronically.

Improve ballot tracking tools for military members.

Add your voice to the conversation by emailing your feedback to Secretary@Michigan.gov.



For more information, visit Michigan.gov/MilitaryVoting.