The Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) allows eligible U.S. citizens to apply to register to vote, request an absentee ballot and/or update their contact information with their local election office. The information provided on the FPCA is all the local election office has to determine if the voter meets the State voter registration requirements, which election materials to send the voter and where and how to send the ballot.

The FPCA was redesigned in 2013, and while previous versions of this form are marked obsolete per DoD rules, older forms that contain the required information will be accepted by the election officials. Current forms can be found at FVAP.gov.


Voter Registration and Absentee Ballot Request

Classification

For absent Uniformed Service members, their families, and citizens residing outside the U.S.,

- I certify that I am an activated National Guard member on State orders,
- I am a Uniformed Services dependent, or
- I am a citizen residing outside the United States, and intend to return.

Political party

- Your State may require you to specify a political party to vote in primary elections.

Legal name

- Last name
- First name
- Middle name

Identification

- State Driver’s License or ID
- Social Security Number
- Birth date

Contact information

- Telephone
- Fax
- Email

Ballot receipt

- Mail or email/online, as permitted by my State.

Voting residence address

- Usually your last U.S. voting residence. See instructions.

Where to send my ballot

- This is your current mailing address and should be different from above.

Additional requirements for your State

- Such as: mail forwarding address, additional mailing addresses, or other State required information. See Voting Assistance Guide.

Affirmation (REQUIRED)

- I swear or affirm, under penalty of perjury, that:
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  - I understand that a material misstatement of fact is a violation of the laws of the United States.
  - I am a U.S. citizen, at least 18 years of age (or will be by the day of the election), and eligible to vote in the requested jurisdiction.
  - I am not disqualified to vote due to having been convicted of a felony or other disqualifying offense, nor have I been adjudicated mentally incompetent, or have my voting rights have been reinstated, and
  - I am not registered, requiring a ballot, or voting in any other jurisdiction in the United States, except the jurisdiction cited in this voting form.

Signature

Today’s date

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2013 Federal Post Card Application (FPCA)

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For any questions about this form, consult the Voting Assistance Guide available in hard copy or on FVAP.gov or your Voting Assistance Officer.

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FPCA Submission Checklist:

☐ Look over the completed FPCA to ensure the applicant provided all the information required by the applicant’s State, including a complete voting residence address (no P.O. Box addresses).

☐ Make sure that the information provided is clear and legible.

☐ Check that the applicant signed and dated the application.

☐ Look in the Voting Assistance Guide to determine if the applicant’s State allows the FPCA to be submitted by email or fax.

☐ If mailing the FPCA through the U.S. Postal Service, (including APO/FPO) or diplomatic pouch, it can be sent postage paid using the mail indicia available at fvap.gov (https://www.fvap.gov/uploads/FVAP/Forms/fpca_envelope.pdf).

☐ If mailing the FPCA using a foreign country’s postal service, it requires postage and should have “USA” in the address line of the mailing envelope.

Encourage applicants to contact their local election officials to confirm that their applications were successfully processed. The election officials will likely only contact voters if the form is not accepted.