



*Q. Will my vote by mail ballot be counted? I heard that vote by mail ballots might not be counted.*

A. Every valid vote by mail ballot is counted. Be sure to sign the certificate envelope when you return your vote by mail ballot. If you are going to mail your ballot, it must be postmarked ON or BEFORE Election Day, and received by your county Board of Elections by the deadline. If you are not sure if your ballot will arrive in time, you can drop it off in-person. Contact your Board of Elections for drop-off locations.

*Q. If I am voting by mail, when must the county Board of Elections receive my ballot?*

A. Vote by mail ballots that are sent through the mail must be postmarked by Election Day and received by the county Board of Elections on or before the deadline. Vote by mail ballots that are placed in a drop box or delivered in-person to the county Board of Elections must be received by the Primary deadline.

*Q. What if I make a mistake, damage, or lose my mail ballot?*

A. You may request a replacement vote by mail ballot from your county clerk. If you go to your polling location on Election Day, you will have to vote using a paper provisional ballot.

*Q. Can I vote in-person at my polling location?*

A. Yes. If you go to a polling location on Election Day, you will have to vote using a provisional paper ballot.

The 2020 Primary Election is being conducted primarily by vote by mail. If you haven't received your vote by mail ballot, please contact your county clerk at <https://nj.gov/state/elections/county-eo.shtml>.

If you are an unaffiliated voter, you will have to declare your political party in order to participate in the primary. Please contact your county clerk to request either a Democratic or Republican vote by mail ballot.

*Q. What is a provisional ballot?*

A. Normally a provisional ballot is cast by a voter whose eligibility to vote cannot be confirmed at the polls on Election Day. During a primary election, all voters, except those with a disability, can vote using a provisional paper ballot. If, after the election, administrators determine that the voter who cast the provisional ballot was eligible to vote, the ballot will be counted as a regular ballot.

*Q. Can I deliver more than 1 ballot in person or place it in the ballot drop box?*

A. A person who transports a cast (completed) vote by mail ballot for someone else is considered a "Bearer". Bearers are limited to THREE (3) ballots per Election. Any Bearer Ballots that exceeds the three limit must be REJECTED. The Bearer MUST SIGN the "Bearer Portion" of the outer envelope of the ballot in the presence of the voter when taking custody of the ballot. If the Bearer is hand-delivering the ballot, then he/she MUST SHOW ID AND SIGN the Bearer Book at the county Board of Elections.

*Q. Where can I find the locations of the VBM (Vote by Mail) ballot drop box?*

A. Please visit Elections.NJ.gov <https://nj.gov/state/elections/primary-election-070720.shtml>



*Q. How do I return my ballot?*

A. Either return your ballot by mail, bring it in-person to your county's Board of Elections office, or place it in a secure ballot drop box located throughout your county.

*Q. Why am I receiving a letter saying that my vote by mail ballot or provisional ballot was missing a signature and asking for additional information?*

A. If your vote by mail ballot or provisional ballot was missing your signature, your county elections office will provide you an opportunity to certify that you did, in fact, cast that ballot. If you complete the form, sign it and return it in-person, by fax, or by e-mail to the county board of elections before the mail in deadline, such that the county boards of elections receives it in time, your ballot will be counted and your voter record will be updated to include your signature on that form.

*Q. Why am I receiving a letter stating that the signature on my vote by mail ballot or provisional ballot did not match the signature in my voter record and asking for additional information?*

A. If the county board of elections determines that the signature on your vote by mail ballot or provisional ballot does not match the signature in your voter record, your county elections office will provide you an opportunity to certify that you did, in fact, cast that ballot and have your voter record updated with your current signature. If you complete the form, sign it and return it in-person, by fax, or by e-mail to the county board of elections by the ascribed deadline, your ballot will be counted and your voter record will be updated to include your signature on that form.

*Q. What if I believe an election crime or voter fraud has been committed?*

A. If you would like to report a potential election crime or incident of voter fraud please call 1-844-OPIA-TIPS. For all other election matters please call 1-877-NJ-VOTER