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**Deadline for In-Person Absentee Voting is Saturday**  
*~ Election Day is November 8 ~*

RICHMOND, VA – Qualified Virginia voters have until Saturday, November 5, to vote absentee in person at their local election office. Voters should check their local registrars' offices for voting locations and hours.

There is no early voting in Virginia. However, there are 19 acceptable reasons for voting absentee, including military service, illness, being away from home, pregnancy, a long commute that would keep you from getting to the polls, and more. A full list of qualifying reasons to vote absentee can be found at the Department of Elections Citizen Portal at [vote.virginia.gov](http://vote.virginia.gov). Also on the website, voters can find office hours and contact information for their local voter registration office, see what is on their ballot, find their polling location, and check their absentee ballot status.

The deadline to return a mailed absentee ballot is 7 p.m. on Election Day, November 8.

More than 511,000 voters have applied for an absentee ballot for the November general election. Absentee voting began in September, and already more than 396,000 Virginia voters have cast their absentee ballots. These figures are updated daily and can be found at [vote.virginia.gov](http://vote.virginia.gov).

Voters who do not have an acceptable photo ID when they vote absentee in person or on Election Day will be allowed to cast a provisional ballot. Those who cast provisional ballots have until noon on November 14 to present their voter registrar with an acceptable photo ID so the election official can determine whether the ballot should be counted.

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