

Vote by Mail

General Election, Nov. 6, 2012

Apply

1. Obtain a Mail-In Ballot **Application**.¹
2. Fill out the application. Print and sign your name where indicated.
3. Mail or Deliver application to the County Clerk in the county where you vote. This must be received no later than 7 days before the election unless you apply *in person* or via an authorized messenger during County Clerk's office hours, in which case it must be delivered to the County Clerk no later than 3 P.M. the day prior to the election. It's best to request this as early as possible.
4. **Do NOT submit more than one application for the same election.**
5. You must be a registered voter in order to apply for a ballot.
6. Once you apply for Mail-in Ballot, you will not be permitted to vote by machine at your polling place in the same election.

Vote

1. For the 11/6/12 General Election, County Clerks will begin mailing out Mail-In Ballots on 9/22/12. **When you receive your Mail-In Ballot, see the instructions included with it. READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY AND UNDERSTAND THEM BEFORE YOU BEGIN TO FILL IN THE BALLOT!**
2. Fill out application. Applicant must sign where indicated.
3. Mail the completed application to the County Clerk in the county where you vote.
4. For Morris County voters:
**Morris County Clerk's Office
P. O. Box 315
Administration & Records Bldg., 1st Floor
Morristown, New Jersey 07963-0315**
5. Your Mail-in Ballot must be received by the County Board of Elections before the election polls close at 8:00 p.m. on Election Day. If it is not received by then, it will be invalidated. Postmark date is not relevant.

Assistance

No candidate in the election can assist a voter. Assistants may not interfere with the **SECRECY** of the voter's vote, nor can they complete or sign the certificate, or seal the inner or outer envelope. No one who assists a voter is allowed to campaign or electioneer on behalf of any candidate. Anyone assisting a voter must sign and certify that they assisted the voter.

Messengers

An authorized Messenger can be designated by the voter to personally deliver the SEALED Vote-by-Mail ballot to the County Board of Elections; the messenger must sign the record book at the County Board of Elections. One messenger may not do this for more than 10 ballots.

¹ For Morris County, use this web address: For other counties, contact the respective County Clerk's office – not the Superintendent of Elections.