



Absentee



Voting

ALL voters are now eligible to receive an absentee ballot for each election, with no reason required. Any voter can join the Permanent Absentee Ballot List to automatically receive a ballot about 45 days prior to each election. You **MUST** return your voted ballot to the Township office **BEFORE** 8:00 p.m. on the Election Day for which the ballot was issued. Ballots received after the polls close at 8:00 p.m. on Election Day will not be counted.

During Nine Days of Early Voting:

- You may deposit your voted absentee ballot into a tabulator in any Early Voting Center within Ottawa County during the nine days of early voting.

The Day Before Election Day:

- Absentee ballots are available at the Township office **only up to 4:00 p.m.** We cannot, by law, issue an absentee ballot after 4:00 p.m. If you miss this deadline, you will have to vote in person at your precinct.

On Election Day:

- You may drop off your voted absentee ballot to the Township Office either in our drive-thru dropbox on the south face of the library, the dropbox in our office lobby, or dropboxes at our Fire Stations. We check our dropboxes frequently throughout Election day.
- You may bring your voted absentee ballot to the precinct in which you are registered and deposit it in the tabulator there. Unlike the Nine Days of Early Voting, no other precinct can accept your absentee ballot on Election Day. Only your usual precinct can accept it.
- If you wish to vote in person on Election Day instead, you must surrender your absentee ballot to the chairperson of the precinct in which you are registered. Once surrendered, election staff will issue you a new ballot which you can vote in a voting booth.

Surrendering your ballot and voting in person will not remove you from the Permanent Absentee Ballot List. You will continue to receive an absentee ballot for all future elections.

[Click here to fill out the form to request to join the Permanent Absentee Ballot List.](#) You can return the form to the Township Office, or you can email it to us at our contact email: elections@georgetown-mi.gov.

You may request that your name be removed from the Permanent Absentee Ballot List at any time by contacting the Elections Department.