

U.S. Embassy Manila, Philippines

Message for U.S. Citizens

Special FedEx Offer to Return Voted Ballots 24 October 2012

FedEx, through its local affiliate Air 21, is providing a special offer to help American citizens return their completed absentee ballots to the appropriate local election offices in the U.S. American citizens wishing to make use of this offer should follow the instructions in the attached information sheet.

Several important facts:

1. This is not a free service. Air 21 is offering this service for the reduced rate of \$28.50, which must be paid when generating the on-line Airway Bill.
2. As noted in the information sheet, this service requires the generation of an on-line Airway Bill—no manual Airway Bills can be used.
3. You must provide Air 21 with the exact address of your U.S. election office. If you are unsure of this address, please consult www.FVAP.gov. Please select your state and follow the on-line instructions to obtain the proper address.
4. This service is tentatively scheduled to end on October 31, 2012. Please check with Air 21 for specific information on the availability of this service.

Information on voting procedures for each state can also be found at www.FVAP.gov. Some states allow for electronic or fax return of ballots, which may also be an option for some voters.

The majority of states require voted ballots to reach local election officials by the close of polls on Tuesday, November 6. U.S. citizens who want to participate in the 2012 U.S. elections should already have returned their absentee ballots to their local election officials. **Remember**, U.S. embassies and consulates are not polling places; same-day in-person voting is not available outside the United States.

Need help or have questions? Please contact Embassy Manila's Voting Assistance Officer at (632) 301-2000, or at VoteManila@state.gov.

Confirm your registration and ballot delivery online. Learn more at the Federal Voting Assistance Program's (FVAP) website at www.FVAP.gov.

The Embassy is located at 1201 Roxas Boulevard, Manila, Philippines. The Embassy's main telephone number is (632) 301-2000. American citizens needing to speak to the Embassy can dial this number and ask to be connected to the American Citizens Services (ACS) unit or with the Embassy Duty Officer (for calls outside of normal business hours). You can also contact the

ACS unit through email at ACSInfoManila@state.gov or through the [Embassy Facebook page](#). Please visit the [our website](#) for information on all services offered by the ACS unit.

Please consult the [Country Specific Information on the Philippines](#) available on the Bureau of Consular Affairs website, for general information about the Philippines. All U.S. citizens in the Philippines are urged to enroll in the [Smart Traveler Enrollment Program \(STEP\)](#). Registering gives U.S. citizens access to updated information on travel and security within the Philippines and makes it easier for the Embassy to contact citizens in case of emergency.

Current information on safety and security can also be obtained by calling 1-888-407-4747 toll-free in the United States and Canada, or a regular toll line at 1-202-501-4444 for callers from other countries. These numbers are available from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday (except U.S. federal holidays). You can also stay up to date by bookmarking our [Bureau of Consular Affairs website](#), which contains all current [Travel Warnings](#) and [Travel Alerts](#), as well as the current [Worldwide Caution](#). You can also stay up to date by "following" the Bureau of Consular Affairs on [Twitter](#) and "liking" the Bureau of Consular Affairs on [Facebook](#).

1. BACKGROUND

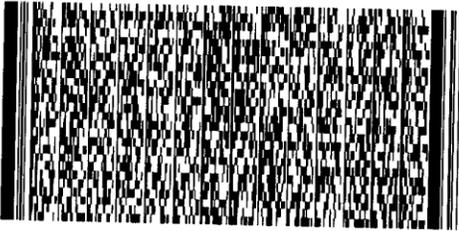
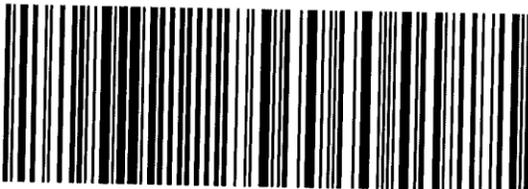
- FedEx will provide discounted shipping for U.S. absentee ballots in 2012 US Presidential Election
- The discounted shipping service of the absentee ballots will start **October 11, 2012 till October 31, 2012**^ as the election will be conducted on **November 06, 2012**

^The service is tentatively end on October 31, 2012 and to be confirmed by APAC Marketing.

2. SHIPMENT FEATURE

- International Priority Over Night Letter Service.
- Customer need to go to the OVF website (www.overseasvotefoundation.org) to fill in, pay and print out Airwaybill, no manual Airwaybill is allowed.
- Once the Airwaybill is ready, customer should staple one Airwaybill copy (recipient's copy) to the ballot .
- Then put the ballot (stapled with recipient copy of the Airwaybill) into the FedEx Letter.

AWB SAMPLE

From: Origin ID: AEPA 47873202 Brendan Quirk Cuba 1940 Piso 9 Buenos Aires, Bu C1428AED ARGENTINA		Ship Date: 20OCT08 Act/Wgt: 1.0 LB CAD: 5592212NWSX12150 Account#: S *****
SHIP TO: (908) 527-4787 BILL THIRD PARTY Board of Elections 271 North Broad Street Elizabeth, NJ 07207 US		REF: TC007_07_PT1_ST01_PK01_SNDUS_R DESC-1: U.S. Overseas Absentee Ballot DESC-2: DESC-3: DESC-4: COUNTRY MFG: US CARRIAGE VALUE: CUSTOMS VALUE: 1.00 USD T/C: 0 429735629 D/T: 0 429735629 SIGN: EIN/VAT: PKG TYPE: ENV
		TRK# 7970 8870 6280 0430 INTL PRIORITY ISR 07207 NJ-US EWR 

The Overseas Contract may apply and/or govern and in most cases, void the liability of Federal Express for loss or delay of or damage to your shipment. Subject to the conditions of the contract

NOTE "U.S. OVERSEAS ABSENTEE BALLET" WILL BE PRINTED ON THE AWB AS NOTIFICATION.
EVERYTHING ELSE SHOULD BE SAME AS NORMAL IP AWB

3. CUSTOMER SERVICE

- Customer may arrange pick up service with Customer Service or drop off at Station / World Service Center.
- It is optional for customer to quote this as US Absentee Ballot, therefore, Ops should treat the shipment as normal International Priority if there is no notification from customer .
- All cut off time are same as US International Priority cut off (both pick up and drop off)
- Please refer to job aid (attached) if customer has any questions

4. OPERATIONS

- Operation procedure is same as International Priority Over Night Letter with pre-paid, printed AWB
- No manual AWB should be created or accepted
- No cash is allowed, no corporate account # is provided this year

- **“U.S. Overseas Absentee Ballot”** will be printed on the printed AWB as a notification for operation
- Please refer to job aid (attached) if customer has any questions