

AMERICAN CITIZENS SERVICES NEWSLETTER

The U.S. Embassy is transmitting the following monthly newsletter via its warden system as a public service to U.S. citizens in Mongolia. Please feel free to disseminate this message to U.S. citizens in your organizations or to other Americans you know.



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American Citizens' Visa Hour

Every Tuesday at 4:00pm at the Consular Section except on U.S./local holidays.

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What Do You Think?

Some countries require that your U.S. passport is valid for at least 6 months from the date of entry to the country.

Yes. Some countries require that a traveler's passport be valid for at least six months beyond the dates of the trip. Contact the [embassy of your foreign destination](#) for more information.

Your Vote Counts!

Did you know that many recent U.S. elections have been decided by a margin smaller than the number of ballots cast by military and overseas voters? All states are required to count every absentee ballot as long as it is valid and reaches local election officials by the absentee ballot receipt deadline.

Follow a few simple steps to make sure that you can vote in the 2014 U.S. elections:

Registering to Vote: Complete a new [Federal Post Card Application \(FPCA\)](#). *Even if you have voted by absentee ballot in the past, you must complete a new [Federal Post Card Application \(FPCA\)](#) to vote in the 2014 elections.* The [FPCA](#) is accepted by all local election officials in all U.S. states and territories. It allows you to register to vote and to request absentee ballots for all regular, primary, run-off, and special elections for federal offices (President, U.S. Senate, and U.S. House of Representatives) during the course of the year it is submitted in.

You can complete the FPCA **online** at [FVAP.gov](#). The online voting assistant will ask you questions specific to your state. It will tell you if your state allows the [FPCA](#) to be returned electronically or if you must submit a paper copy with original signature.

Receiving Your Ballot: Request Electronic Delivery! States are now required to send out ballots 45 days before a regular election for federal office (President, U.S. Senate or U.S. House of Representatives) and states generally send out ballots at least 30 days before primary elections. No matter which state you vote in, we encourage you to ask your local election officials to deliver your blank ballots to you electronically (by email, internet download, or fax, depending on your state). Be sure to include your email address on your FPCA to take advantage of the electronic ballot delivery option. You can now also confirm your [registration and ballot delivery online](#) for most states.

Researching the Candidates and Issues: Online Resources. Check out the [FVAP links page](#) for helpful resources that will aid your research of candidates and issues. Non-partisan information about candidates, their voting records, and their positions on issues are widely available and easy to obtain via numerous websites such as [Project Smart Voter](#). You can also read national and hometown newspapers on-line, or search the Internet to locate articles and information. For information about election dates and deadlines, subscribe to FVAP's Voting Alerts (vote@fvap.gov). FVAP also shares Voting Alerts via [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

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List of Attorneys, updated March 2014

This is a partial list of English-speaking lawyers and law firms in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia. The U.S. Embassy provides this list as a convenience only. Neither the U.S.

Government nor any official of the U.S. Embassy assumes any responsibility for the competence or probity of any firm or advocate on this list or for consequences of any legal action initiated or advice given.

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Warden Volunteers Needed!

We are searching for volunteers to act as wardens in Mongolia. If you are interested, please send an email to ulaanbaataracs@state.gov.

The United States warden system is not for the benefit of the Embassy, but for the American citizens living in Mongolia. Wardens in each district play an important role in the event of an emergency by contacting American citizens residing in Mongolia to ensure timely distribution of important information. It is a way for Americans to look after each other, which is particularly important in a place like Mongolia due to the distances between cities and difficult travel conditions.

The Embassy would appreciate your consideration for this important role. It also could be a great opportunity for you to take a few hours out of each quarter to become more familiar with American citizen neighbors, which might prove to be a rewarding experience.

Your Vote Counts continued from page 1

Returning Your Completed Ballot: Other Options. If your state requires you to return paper voting forms or ballots to local election officials, you can do so free of charge at the nearest embassy or consulate. They must be in either postage paid return envelopes or in envelopes bearing sufficient domestic U.S. postage, and must also be addressed to the relevant local election officials.

Individuals can drop off their pre-paid voting envelopes to the consular section any Monday or Thursday afternoon between 1:00 and 3:00pm. No appointment is needed. But in order to add your name to our Embassy visitors guard list, please let us know ahead of time by sending an email to UlaanbaatarACS@state.gov, stating you will be visiting the Embassy to drop off your ballot. If it's more convenient for you, you can also return your FPCA or ballot to your local election officials via international mail or professional courier service at your own expense.

Learn more at the Federal Voting Assistance Program's (FVAP) website FVAP.gov. If you have any questions about registering to vote overseas, please contact UlaanbaatarACS@state.gov.

*U.S. citizens residing or traveling in Mongolia are reminded to enroll with the U.S. Embassy by entering your travel itinerary and contact information into the **Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP)** at <https://step.state.gov/step/>. Don't forget to enter your email address, local address and phone number, if known, as well as your expected departure date from Mongolia. Entering your expected departure date will indicate when you do not need to receive ACS-related emails from the Embassy.*



TRAVEL WARNINGS	TRAVEL ALERT
Ukraine March 21, 2014	Egypt March 18, 2014
Mali March 21, 2014	Russian Federation - Events in
Mauritania March 12, 2014	Ukraine March 14, 2014
Haiti March 12, 2014	
Iraq March 6, 2014	

For additional information about these travel warnings and alerts, please visit this website: <http://www.travel.state.gov/>.

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