



*Embassy of the United States of America
Bridgetown, Barbados*

Q: I requested an absentee ballot but haven't received it yet. What should I do? Can I still vote?

A: Yes, you can vote. If you requested your absentee ballot and haven't received it from your state at least 30 days before the election, you can use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB).

The FWAB is an emergency backup ballot. To complete this ballot, go to the Federal Voting Assistance Program website (www.fvap.gov) and complete the FWAB online assistant. The online assistant will guide you through the process of completing the form.

Once you complete the form, you will be able to download and print the PDF package to sign and send to your election office. This PDF package even includes a pre-addressed and postage-paid label so you don't have to worry about finding stamps. Don't forget a security envelope. (Use a separate blank envelope and write "Security Envelope" on it and place your voted ballot in it. This keeps your vote private.) You can bring the completed package to the US Embassy where it will be mailed to the United States.

You can also print out the FWAB and complete it by hand, or pick up a hard copy version from your nearest U.S. Embassy or Consulate.

Please remember that it is not possible to register to vote at a US Embassy nor does the Embassy have ballots for your state of registration. Voters should always go to the FVAP website in order to obtain the correct ballot for their state of registration and to get answers to other questions.

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