



WEC Newsletter

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Deadlines approach for August Primary Absentee Ballots

As the August Partisan Primary election draws near so, too, do the dates and deadlines for absentee voting processes and procedures. The first marker to keep in mind concerning absentee voting is the deadline to set your alternative In-Person Absentee Voting sites. State law requires that alternate sites for In-Person Absentee Voting be established 14 days prior to ballots being made available for the August 9th Partisan Primary. That means the deadline to establish these sites is June 9, 2022. Please note that In-Person Absentee Voting hours can start being offered only in the 14 days prior to Election Day, and the final day that In-Person Absentee Voting hours can be offered is the Sunday before the election. Additionally, these times and locations appear on the MyVote Wisconsin website, but only if you included that information in your election plan in WisVote. The process for including this information in your election plan can be found in section 4.11 of the current WisVote User Manual.

Here are two other reminders regarding absentee ballots for the August Primary:

Type E Notice and Hours: Your Type E Notice must be published on the fourth Tuesday prior to Election Day and should accurately reflect the locations where voting will take place and the hours being offered at each location. The Type E Notice should be amended if there are any changes to your voting hours.

Absentee Voting Training: New training resources on various aspects of absentee voting have been developed by the WEC and are available on [The Learning Center](#)* website. These pre-recorded presentations focus on topics such as In-Person Absentee Voting and military and overseas (UOCAVA) voting. These trainings are available for on-demand viewing and are good resources for clerks who are looking for training prior to the 2022 fall elections. The Partisan Primary and General Election are both federal elections, so clerks will need to review the different requirements for military and overseas voting prior to those elections.

*<https://electiontraining.wi.gov/>



RAVE Mobile Safety system recently utilized

On May 16, 2022, the WisVote login page was not functioning appropriately and a communication about the outage was distributed via the RAVE Mobile Safety mass notification system to clerks and election officials. For many clerks, this was their first experience with RAVE and some questions arose concerning what the system is and how it is used.

RAVE Mobile Safety is a communication system through which the WEC can distribute critical and timely election-related information, such as Election Day emergencies, security threats, or WisVote outages, quickly via phone, email, and/or text. Clerks can opt in or out at any time by emailing the WEC's Help Desk. Enrolling in RAVE ensures that you'll be kept up to date with crucial election information that might impact your work.

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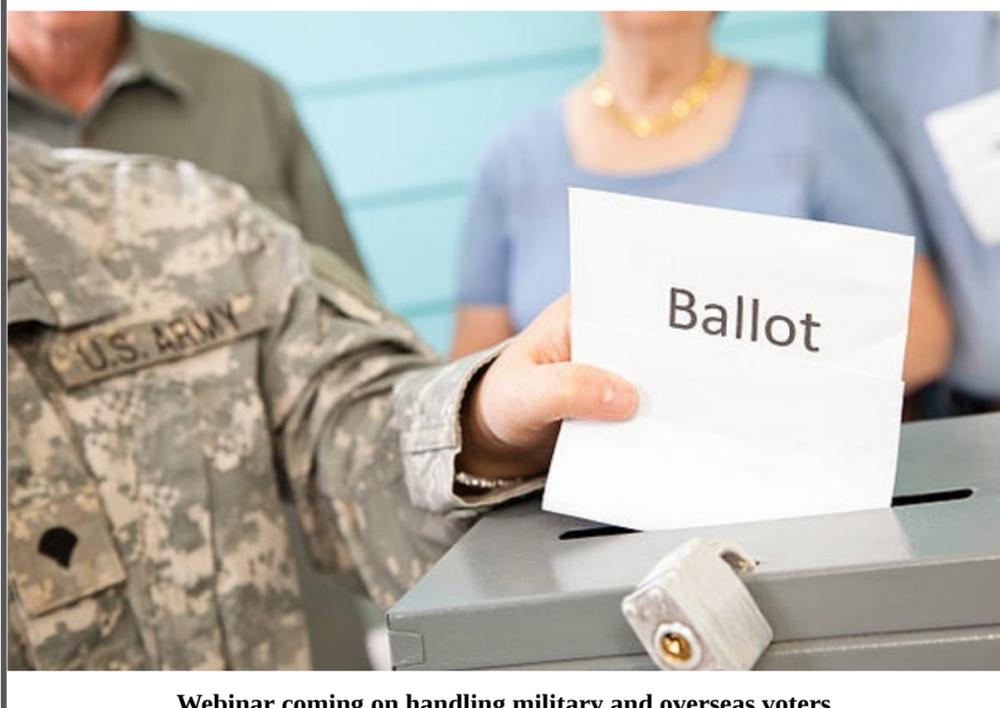
[Phone Clerk](#)

[More Information](#)

Updating Clerk Contact Info

As we near this fall's General Election, expect to see an increase of voters contacting clerks' offices. This makes having up-to-date clerk contact information all the more important. Especially because we have many new clerks around the state, we encourage everyone to take a moment to look up your jurisdiction in WisVote and ensure that all your contact information is correct. For clerks who don't have WisVote access, please consult with your county clerk regarding this information. If anything needs updating, please submit an [EL-362](#)* to the WEC's Help Desk so we can update that information for you. Thanks!

*<https://elections.wi.gov/forms/el-362>



Webinar coming on handling military and overseas voters

Absentee ballots for military and overseas voters are going to be ready much sooner than you may think! State law requires that absentee ballots for military and overseas voters must be sent at least 47 days before the August Partisan Primary and the November General Election. This deadline is also required by the federal Uniform And Overseas Citizens Absentee Vote Act (UOCAVA). To learn more about the UOCAVA process, the WEC is offering a webinar to refresh and remind clerks about handling ballots for military and overseas voters. You can find more information and register for this webinar [here](#)*.

All absentee ballots for UOCAVA voters for the August Partisan Primary must be sent by June 23, 2022. The U.S. Department of Justice does monitor this deadline to ensure compliance with federal law. Thank you for your assistance in this matter. We know that you take very seriously your role in ensuring that military and overseas electors are able to cast their ballots.

*<https://elections.wi.gov/node/8351>

FAQ document published

On May 31, 2022, the WEC published an FAQ document addressing how clerks should approach recent claims being made by private organizations that certain voter transactions are improper. This FAQ discusses three of the most common scenarios and related election laws, and can be found on the WEC's website [here](#)*.

*<https://elections.wi.gov/node/8356>

Upcoming Deadlines and Important Dates

- June 9, 2022
 - Deadline to establish In-Person Absentee Voting sites
 - County clerks prepare ballots and send proofs to WEC before printing
- June 10, 2022
 - WEC sends Type B notice and certification of candidates to county clerks
- June 22, 2022
 - Deadline for county clerks to deliver ballots and supplies to municipal clerks
- June 23, 2022
 - Deadline for municipal clerks to send absentee ballots to UOCAVA voters
 - Municipal clerks begin sending absentee ballots to those with valid requests on file

Upcoming Elections

August 9, 2022 - Partisan Primary
November 8, 2022 - General Election

Upcoming Commission Meetings

June 10, 2022 - Ballot Access
July 22, 2022 - Second Quarterly Meeting

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