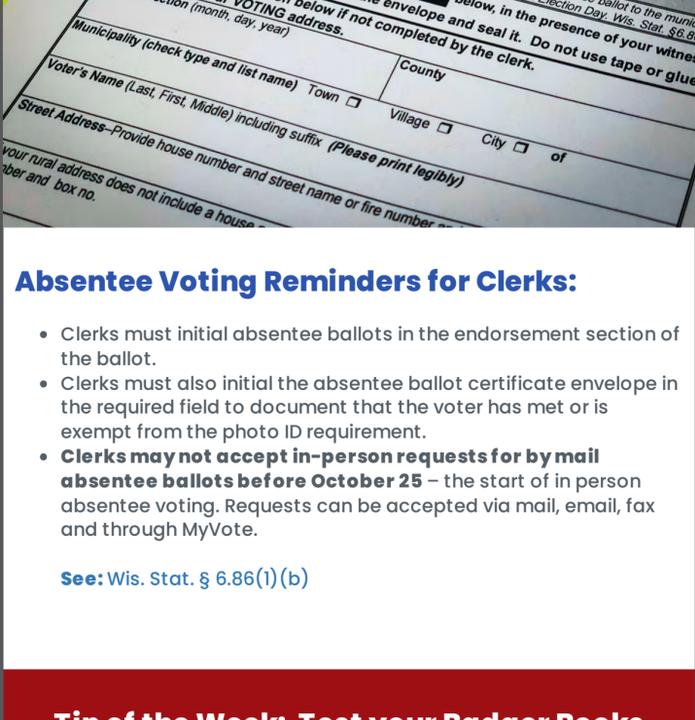




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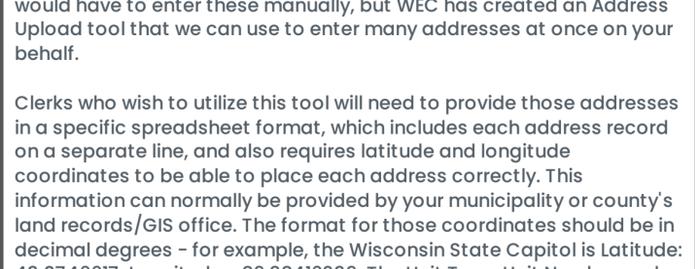
Absentee Voting Reminders for Clerks:

- Clerks must initial absentee ballots in the endorsement section of the ballot.
- Clerks must also initial the absentee ballot certificate envelope in the required field to document that the voter has met or is exempt from the photo ID requirement.
- **Clerks may not accept in-person requests for by mail absentee ballots before October 25** – the start of in person absentee voting. Requests can be accepted via mail, email, fax and through MyVote.

See: Wis. Stat. § 6.86(1)(b)

Tip of the Week: Test your Badger Books Early

Being prepared will lead to a smoother Election Day.



Deer decorated in letter box in Plum Lake. Photo by stiwise.

New Tool Makes Uploading Addresses to WisVote System Easier Than Ever

When new homes, condominiums or apartments are built, those new addresses need to be entered into the voter registration system before voters can be matched to them. In the past, election staff would have to enter these manually, but WEC has created an Address Upload tool that we can use to enter many addresses at once on your behalf.

Clerks who wish to utilize this tool will need to provide those addresses on a separate spreadsheet format, which includes each address record on a separate line, and also requires latitude and longitude coordinates to be able to place each address correctly. This information can normally be provided by your municipality or county's land records/GIS office. The format for those coordinates should be in decimal degrees - for example, the Wisconsin State Capitol is Latitude: 43.0746617, Longitude: -89.38416239. The Unit Type, Unit Number and Building Name are only needed if those locations have them.

If you wish to take advantage of this tool ahead of the online voter registration deadline and November Election (when many are using their new address to find their new polling place), please email your address file to elections@wi.gov by October 14.

If you have any questions, please contact the Elections Helpdesk.



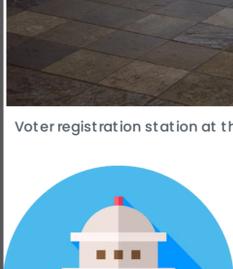
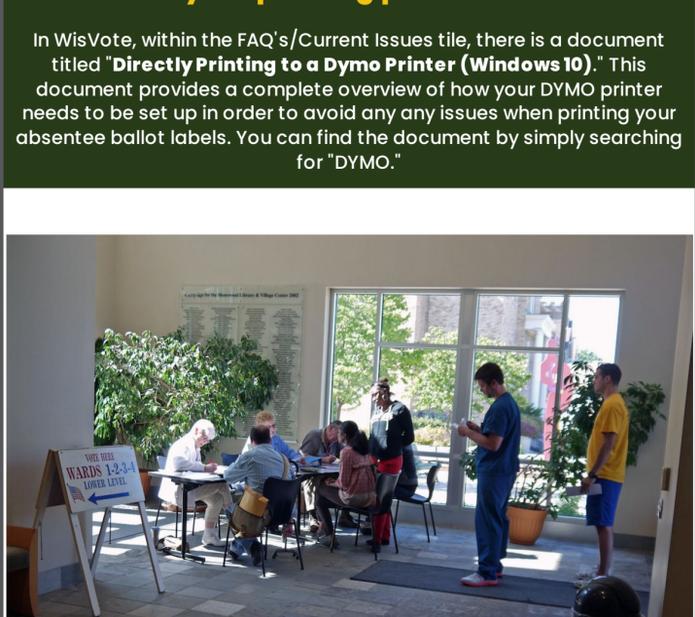
Mailing to Post Office Boxes is OK

Voters may request their absentee ballots be delivered to any location, as long as they are registered at a residential address.

Post Office boxes in Madison. Photo by Kevin Lau.

Mail, online registration ends October 19th

The deadline is rapidly approaching for electors to register by mail or online to vote in the General Election on Nov. 8. After this date, electors must register in person in the municipal clerk's office or at the polling place.



Video education project is live at elections.wi.gov/101

Elections 101 video series available for posting, sharing on social media

The four-part video series is pointed to high school social studies classrooms and to the general public. The elections education project was made available to teachers on Sept. 26, and is now available for posting on municipal websites and for sharing on social media by election officials. We hope clerks needs to be set up in order to avoid any issues when printing your absentee ballot labels. You can find the document by simply searching for "DYMO."

Election Security Subgrant program for municipalities renewed for another round

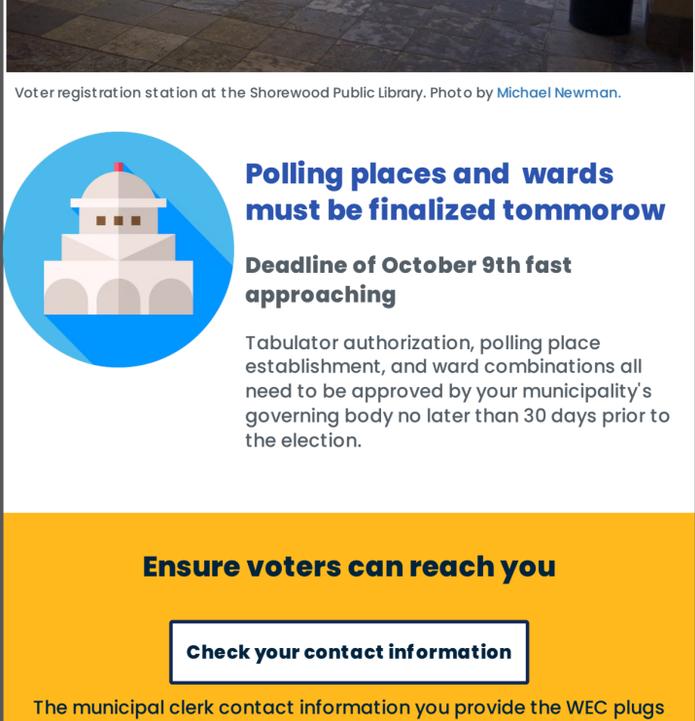
Webinar now available

Interested in getting up to \$1,200 to improve your municipality's election security environment? Of course you are!

Check out the [recently posted clerk communication](#) to learn more and watch the [Election Security Subgrant webinar](#) to learn more!

Dymo printing problems?

In WisVote, within the FAQ's/Current Issues tile, there is a document titled "Directly Printing to a Dymo Printer (Windows 10)." This document provides a complete overview of how your DYMO printer needs to be set up in order to avoid any issues when printing your absentee ballot labels. You can find the document by simply searching for "DYMO."



Voter registration station at the Shorewood Public Library. Photo by Michael Newman.



Polling places and wards must be finalized tomorrow

Deadline of October 9th fast approaching

Tabulator authorization, polling place establishment, and ward combinations all need to be approved by your municipality's governing body no later than 30 days prior to the election.

Ensure voters can reach you

Check your contact information

The municipal clerk contact information you provide the WEC plugs directly into MyVote for voters to see, so if your contact information has changed recently please let us know by sending an updated **EL-362**.



Badger Voters: Your one-stop shop for voter data

Send candidates to BV instead of filling data requests yourself

It's getting to be that time when candidates, campaigns, and citizens might be coming to your office with requests for voter data.

Instead of spending the time filling these requests yourself and calculating associated fees, send them to badgervoters.wi.gov. Most requests can be handled on a self-service basis by the requester, but if needed WEC staff would be happy to assist.

Upcoming Events, Deadlines & Important Dates

October 9, 2022

- Deadline for governing bodies to establish polling places, combine wards, and approve tabulators

October 11, 2022

- County and municipal clerks publish type A notice of referenda, if required
- Municipal clerks publish Type E notice of absentee voting instructions for General Election
- Last day for voters to establish residency prior to the General Election

October 12, 2022

- [Webinar](#): Reminders for the November Election

October 17, 2022

- First day Special Voting Deputies may visit nursing homes and authorized care facilities for the General Election

October 19, 2022

- Deadline for voters to register by mail or online to prior to the General Election

October 25, 2022

- [Webinar](#): WisVote Absentee: Definitive Post-Election Guide

Upcoming Elections

- November 8, 2022 - General Election
- February 21, 2023 - Spring Primary (if required)
- April 4, 2023 - Spring Election

Upcoming Commission Meetings

- November 30, 2022 - Fourth Quarterly Meeting

Countdown to the Next Election

28
Days

20
Hours

01
Minutes

07
Seconds

Questions or comments? Call 608-261-2028 or email elections@wi.gov



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