

BALLOT DEADLINES STATE BY STATE

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	Deadline by which election officials must receive Absentee/ Mailed Ballots	Ballots that arrive after election day accepted?
ALABAMA	Election day by noon & postmarked by the day before the election	No
ALASKA	Election day or 10 days after the election if postmarked on or before	✓
ARIZONA	Election day by 7pm	No
ARKANSAS	Election day by 7:30pm for mailed ballots or end of the day before for hand-delivered ballots	No
CALIFORNIA	Election day before polls close or three days after if postmarked on or before election day	✓
COLORADO	Election day by 7pm	No

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CONNECTICUT	Election day (before polls close)	No
D.C.	Seven days after the election if postmarked on or before Election day	✓
DELAWARE	Election day (before polls close)	No
FLORIDA	Election day by 7pm	✓
GEORGIA	Election day (before polls close)	No
HAWAII	Election day (before polls close)	No

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IDAHO	Election day by 8pm	No
ILLINOIS	14 days after the election if postmarked on or before Election day	✓
INDIANA	Election day	No
IOWA	Election day before polls close or noon the Monday following the election if postmarked by the day before the election.	✓
KANSAS	Three days after the election if postmarked before the close of polls on Election day.	✓
KENTUCKY	Election day before polls close	No

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LOUISIANA	Day before the Election	No
MAINE	Election day (before polls close)	No
MARYLAND	Postmarked on or before Election day	✓
MASSACHUSETTS	Election day (before polls close)	No
MICHIGAN	Election day (before polls close)	No
MINNESOTA	Election day before polls close for mailed/absentee ballots or 3 p.m. on Election day for hand-delivered ballots	No

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MISSISSIPPI	5 business days after Election day if postmarked on or before Election day	✓
MISSOURI	Election day (before polls close)	No
MONTANA	Election day (before polls close)	No
NEBRASKA	Election day (before polls close)	No
NEVADA	Election day (before polls close)	No
NEW HAMPSHIRE	Election day by 5pm	No

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NEW JERSEY	48 hours after polls close if postmarked on or before Election day	✓
NEW MEXICO	Election day by 7pm	No
NEW YORK	Election day before polls close for hand-delivered ballots or 7 days after the election for mailed ballots postmarked the day before Election day	✓
NORTH CAROLINA	3 days after the election if postmarked on or before Election day	✓
NORTH DAKOTA	Day before the election. Before the canvass if postmarked the day before the election	✓

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OHIO	10 days after the election if postmarked by the day before Election day	✓
OKLAHOMA	Election day by 7pm	No
OREGON	Election day by 8pm	No
PENNSYLVANIA	Election day by 8pm	No
RHODE ISLAND	Election day by 9pm	No
SOUTH CAROLINA	Election day (before polls close)	No

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SOUTH DAKOTA	Election day (before polls close)	No
TENNESSEE	Election day (before polls close)	No
TEXAS	Day after the election by 5 pm if postmarked on or before Election day	✓
UTAH	7 to 14 days after the election (by the county canvass date) if post-marked the day before the election or earlier	✓
VERMONT	Absentee votes must be returned to the town clerk's office before the close of business on the day before the election, or to the polling place by 7pm on Election Day	No

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VIRGINIA	3 days after the election (by noon) if postmarked on or before Election day	✓
WASHINGTON	Postmarked on or before Election day	✓
WEST VIRGINIA	5 days after the election if postmarked on or before Election day	No
WISCONSIN	Election day by 8pm	No
WYOMING	Election day (before polls close)	No

from the National Conference of State Legislatures:
Voting Outside the Polling Place Report, 8/11/2020
ncsl.org/research/elections-and-campaigns/vopp-table-11-receipt-and-postmark-deadlines-for-absentee-ballots.aspx