Application to vote by post

When you have completed the form, send it to your electoral registration office.
To find their details, go to **electoralcommission.org.uk/voter** and enter your postcode.
You'll find their address for returning your form and contact details if you need help.

Voting by post

To vote by post, you must be registered to vote.

You can use this form to apply to vote by post in England, Wales or Scotland. You can choose to vote by post at a particular election, for a set period of time or for a maximum period of three years.

If you only want to have a postal vote for one type of election, please contact your electoral registration office.

When your postal vote expires, you will need to apply for a new one to continue voting by post.

Postal votes can be sent to addresses in the UK and abroad.

For more information on postal voting and how to apply online, visit **electoralcommission.org.uk/postalvote**

How do I apply to vote by post?

- Fill in the postal vote application form.
- Make sure you complete all required sections of the form and provide your date of birth and signature. This information is needed to prevent fraud. If you are unable to sign this form, please contact your electoral registration office.
- If your application has missing or incorrect information, your electoral registration office will contact you. You may need to provide supporting documents and it may take longer to process your application.
- Return your form to your electoral registration office.

The deadline for returning your postal vote application is **5pm, 11 working days before the poll.**

If you are not registered to vote, you must apply to register before applying for a postal vote. The deadline to register to vote is **midnight, 12 working days before the poll.** Register to vote online at **gov.uk/register-to-vote** or contact your electoral registration office to request a paper form.

What happens after I have returned this form?

- Your electoral registration office will confirm if your application has been accepted or rejected. If accepted, they will also confirm the duration of your postal vote.
- When an election is going to be held, your ballot paper will be sent to you in the post. For more information on the delivery of the postal ballot pack, you can contact your electoral registration office in England and Wales or your local elections office in Scotland.
- Your postal ballot pack will contain instructions for voting by post and returning your postal vote.
- Make sure you return your postal vote so that it arrives by the deadline, otherwise it will not be counted.

Privacy statement

This privacy notice tells you what will happen to the personal information you supply with this application form.

The Electoral Registration Officer is the Data Controller for the purposes of data protection legislation. Their lawful basis for collecting the personal information is that the processing is necessary in order to perform a task in the public interest as set out in the Representation of the People Act 1983 and related regulations.

The Electoral Registration Officer is legally required to process your personal information securely and comply with data protection legislation. For further information you should refer to their privacy notice. You can find their website address and contact details at **electoralcommission.org.uk/voter**

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Only one person can apply to vote by post using this form

Please write in black ink and use CAPITAL LETTERS. When you have completed the form, send it to your electoral registration office. You can find their address at **electoralcommission.org.uk/voter**

1 About you

First name(s) (in full)

Middle name(s) (in full)

Last name

Your address (where you are registered to vote)

Postcode

National Insurance number (you can find this on your payslip, P60, or on letters about tax, pensions or benefits)

If you cannot provide a National Insurance number, please tell us why.

Phone number (optional)

Email (optional)

2 How long do you want a postal vote for?

I want to vote by post in all elections I am entitled to vote in (tick one box only):

- ☐ for the maximum period (up to three years)
- ☐ to be held on

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- ☐ for the period

from D D M M Y Y Y Y

to D D M M Y Y Y Y

3 Address for ballot paper (Complete this section only if you want your ballot paper sent to a different address)

Please send my ballot paper to (address):

Postcode

The reason I would like my ballot paper sent to this address, rather than my registered address, is:

4 Your date of birth and declaration

Declaration: As far as I know, the details on this form are true and accurate.

I understand that to provide false information on this form is an offence, punishable on conviction by imprisonment of up to six months and/or a fine.

Date of birth: Please write your date of birth in the boxes below using black ink.

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Signature: Sign below using black ink, keeping within the grey border.

If you are unable to sign this form, please contact your electoral registration office.

5 Date of application

Today's date D D M M Y Y Y Y

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