Americans can vote. Wherever they are.



Did you know active duty military members, their spouses and overseas citizens can exercise their right to vote from anywhere in the world?

The Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) works to ensure that Americans living away from their voting residence can cast an absentee ballot in federal elections.

HERE'S HOW:

GO TO FVAP.GOV AND SELECT THE STATE OF VOTING RESIDENCE TO REGISTER AND REQUEST A BALLOT OR TALK TO SOMEONE AT FVAP





vote@fvap.gov



1-800-438-VOTE



FILL OUT AND SEND IN THE FEDERAL POST CARD APPLICATION (FPCA)

It is both a voter registration form and absentee ballot request form.



HOW? Use FVAP's online assistant or fill out the FPCA by hand and then mail to the election office. Some States allow email, too. State-specific requirements and contact info are at FVAP.gov.



WHEN? Send the FPCA by August 1, 2016 (or later depending on the State). Find the specific deadline at FVAP.gov.

FILL OUT THE ABSENTEE BALLOT WHEN IT ARRIVES

WHEN WILL THAT BE?

For the General Election, the ballot should arrive by early October.

ANYTHING ELSE?

Some States require a signed affidavit or envelope.

SEND IN THE BALLOT BY THE RECOMMENDED MAILING DATE:



November 1, 2016 stateside



October 15, 2016 outside the U.S.



October 10, 2016 on a ship at sea



WHAT IF THE BALLOT DOESN'T ARRIVE BY THE DEADLINE?

Fill out the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) at FVAP.gov and send it



MAKE SURE THE BALLOT WAS RECEIVED

HOW? Select the State at FVAP.gov to check its status

