

Early Voting and Vote-by-Mail FAQs

When is early voting?

Early voting for the general election (November 3, 2020) will be held from October 19, 2020 to November 1, 2020, from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

If a primary election is warranted in Ormond Beach, early voting for said primary (August 18, 2020) will be held from August 8, 2020, to August 15, 2020, from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Who can vote early?

Registered voters in Volusia County may cast a ballot prior to Election Day at any early voting site in the county. You do not need to vote early at your designated precinct polling location. Voters must provide an acceptable form of photo and signature identification in order to vote.

Where can I vote early?

Early voting hours and locations will be available on the Volusia County Supervisor of Elections' website prior to each election.

Who can vote-by-mail?

All qualified (registered) voters are permitted to vote-by-mail under Florida law. Vote-by-mail refers to voting with a ballot received by mail or picked up by or for a voter instead of going to the polls to vote during the early voting period or on Election Day. Except on Election Day, no excuse is needed to vote with a vote-by-mail ballot.

How can you vote-by-mail?

To vote-by-mail you must first request a vote-by-mail ballot from the Supervisor of Elections. Vote-by-mail ballots may be requested for a specific election or for all elections through the calendar year. Ballot requests can be made in person, by mail, phone, fax, email, or online at <https://volusia.electionsfl.org/vrservices/mbrs>.

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A request for a vote-by-mail ballot to be mailed to a voter must be received by the Supervisor of Elections no later than 5:00 p.m. on the tenth day prior to the election in which they wish to vote-by-mail.

A written request, signed by the voter, is required to request a vote-by-mail ballot be mailed to an address other than the one on file. (There is an exception for absent uniformed service voters or overseas voters).

How do I return my vote-by-mail ballot?

Vote-by-mail ballots can be mailed (with the proper postage) or returned in person to the Volusia County Department of Elections. They may also be dropped off at any early voting site in operation **prior** to Election Day. (Please note: vote-by-mail ballots **cannot** be turned in at the precincts on Election Day.)

In order to be counted, vote-by-mail ballots have to be signed by the voter where indicated on the return envelope. The voter's signature must be substantially the same as that which is on file with the Supervisor of Elections. (*Note: Signing by a Power of Attorney is not acceptable. For further information, please contact the Supervisor of Elections' office.*)

When is my vote-by-mail ballot due?

Vote-by-mail ballots must be received by the Supervisor of Elections' office no later than 7:00 p.m. on the day of the election.

If your vote-by-mail ballot is submitted and missing a signature, the voter may cure the missing signature if he or she completes the Affidavit for Unsigned Absentee Ballot Voter Certificate and provides an ID to the Supervisor of Elections by 5:00 p.m. the day before the election. (This affidavit and additional information is available on the [Volusia County Supervisor of Elections Website](#))

Can I track the status of my vote-by-mail ballot?

Yes, you can track the status of your absentee ballot through the online voter registration look-up link at the [Volusia County Supervisor of Elections website](#).

What if I have a vote-by-mail ballot but later decide I want to vote in person?

If a voter decided to vote at their precinct on Election Day or at an early voting site, the vote-by-mail ballot may be taken with them to be turned in and cancelled. A replacement ballot will then be issued.

May I pick up or request an absentee/vote-by-mail ballot for someone else?

If directly instructed by the voter, a member of the voter's immediate family or the voter's legal guardian may request a ballot for the voter no earlier than nine (9) days prior to Election Day, or on Election Day. In order to pick up a vote-by-mail ballot for another voter, designees must have a current photo and signature identification, and a completed affidavit (Affidavit to Pick-Up Vote-By-Mail Ballot for a Voter, included in this packet). No one may pick up more than two (2) ballots for other voters, except for members of their [immediate family](#).

For additional information regarding Vote-by-Mail please visit the Florida Division of Elections Website <http://dos.myflorida.com/elections/for-voters/voting/vote-by-mail/>.