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# **Vote By Mail Instructions**

## **General Law and Charter Cities**

### **March 5, 2019**

**Ballots must be received postmarked on  
or before Election Day**

**View your Sample Ballot online**

**[lavote.net](http://lavote.net)**



# Information for voters

Dear Military & Overseas Voter,

In compliance with the Military and Overseas Voter Empowerment (MOVE) Act, federal law now permits election ballots to be sent electronically to active military and overseas voters. When you registered to vote as a military or overseas voter, you indicated a desire to receive your ballot electronically. **However, to ensure that you are receiving your ballot in a timely fashion, you may also receive a vote-by-mail packet through the mail and/or you can access your voting materials through our Military & Overseas Website Portal.**

Please copy and paste the following link into your browser and follow the instructions on our website to download and print your voting material. **Note: This link will not be available until January 24, 2019.**

<https://www.lavote.net/home/voting-elections/voting-options/military-overseas/how-to-vote>

As you mark your ballot and prepare to send it back to us, you have the option of voting the ballot that you received in the mail or the ballot that you download from the website and returning it by mail or fax. **You may only vote one ballot.** Voting more than once in the same election is a crime in California.

## Offices on the ballot

March 5, 2019 marks the date for the General Law and Charter City Elections. This ballot will include contests for local offices and measures. Review your Sample Ballot and Visit [lavote.net](http://lavote.net) to ensure you are ready for Election Day!

## Do you need assistance voting?

If a voter declares under oath that they are unable to mark a ballot the voter may receive assistance marking their ballot by two (2) persons of their selection (E.C. § 14282).



# New Vote by Mail (VBM) materials

Los Angeles County has redesigned your Vote by mail (VBM) materials making it easier and more convenient to vote by mail.

## What's new?

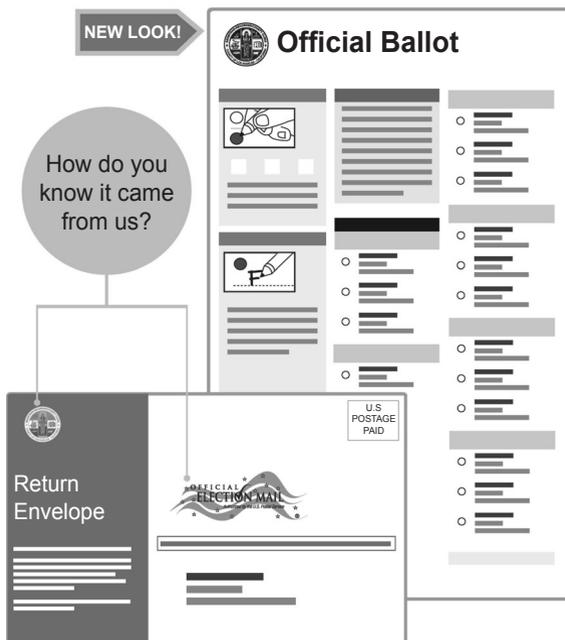
### New ballot cards and envelope

- Larger, full face ballot
- Easier to read
- Easier to fill out
- Easier to understand
- No postage necessary

### Multilingual ballots

We offer ballots in 12 languages.

Call our office to request your multilingual ballot at **(800) 815-2666, option 3**



### Return options

You can easily return your VBM ballot via USPS. **No postage is required.** In addition, you can drop it off at any voting location on Election Day or one of our conveniently located ballot drop-off locations.

**Visit [LAvote.net](http://LAvote.net) to request a VBM ballot, find a VBM ballot drop-off location or to track your VBM ballot.**



# Check your material

## Your Vote By Mail package consists of:

Ballot group numbers on materials **must** match.

**Example:**  $\frac{001}{\text{Ballot Group}}$

If ballot group numbers do not match, please call (800) 815-2666, option 2.

**1**

### Official Sample Ballot

The image shows a sample ballot form. At the top, there is a callout bubble containing the number "001". Below this, the ballot includes a logo for "Brian C. Lagan" and "Official Ballot Group". The form contains several sections with horizontal lines representing text and a "lavote.net" logo at the bottom.

**2**

### Official Ballot Card

The image shows an official ballot card. At the top right, there is a callout bubble containing the number "001". The card features a grid of options, each with a radio button and a horizontal line. A larger callout bubble containing the number "001" is positioned on the right side of the card.

**3**

### Ballot Return Envelope

The image shows a ballot return envelope. At the bottom, there is a callout bubble containing the number "001". The envelope has a large "X" on the left side and a barcode at the bottom.

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### Ballot Secrecy Sleeve

The image shows a ballot secrecy sleeve. It features a background image of palm trees and a logo in the top left corner. The sleeve is designed to hold a ballot card.

### Important:

If you did not receive an Official Ballot Card, mark your choice on the Official Sample Ballot page and insert into Ballot Return Envelope.



# Marking your ballot

- Use only **black** or **blue** ink pen to mark your choice on your ballot.
- Fill the entire oval matching your vote choice.
- **Do not** vote for more choices than indicated.
- **Do not** punch a hole through the ballot card.



## Misplaced or damaged ballot

- Call **(800) 815-2666, option 2** to request a replacement ballot before Election Day.

# FAXED BALLOT OATH

**Complete and return this form with your voted ballot.  
Both OATH and BALLOT must be received by 8:00 pm (PST) on Election Day.**

**Fax your voted ballot and oath to (562) 232-7924 or (877) 614-1127**

In choosing to return your ballot by fax, you have waived your right to have your voted ballot kept secret (California Elections Code, Section 3106). Once received, your vote choices will be duplicated by an elections official onto ballot card(s). However, every effort will be made to ensure your vote is kept confidential.

<b>1. PRINT NAME:</b>	<b>2. DATE OF BIRTH:</b>	_____
_____	_____	_____
First Name	Middle Name or Initial	Last Name
<b>3. RESIDENCE ADDRESS (please print)</b>		
_____		_____
Number and Street – as registered (P.O. Box, Rural Route, etc. not acceptable)		(Designate, N, S, E, W if used)
_____		<b>U.S.A.</b>
City	County	Zip Code
<b>4. TELEPHONE NUMBER:</b>	( ) _____	<b>EMAIL:</b> _____

## OATH OF VOTER

**Please read the following statement and then sign and date below**

I declare as follows:

- (1) I am a member of the active or reserve components of the United States Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard; a Merchant Marine; a member of the United States Public Health Service Commissioned Corps; a member of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Commissioned Corps of the United States; or a member on activated status of the National Guard or state militia; or an eligible spouse or dependent of such person; or an eligible U.S. citizen living outside of the territorial limits of the U.S. or the District of Columbia; and
- (2) I am a U.S. citizen, at least 18 years of age or older on Election Day, and I am eligible to vote in the California jurisdiction in which I am voting with the enclosed/attached ballot; and
- (3) I am not currently imprisoned or on parole for the conviction of a felony; and
- (4) I have not been found by a court to be mentally incompetent, or if so, my voting rights have been reinstated; and
- (5) I am not registering, requesting a ballot, or voting in any other jurisdiction in the U.S., except the California jurisdiction cited in this enclosed/attached ballot; and
- (6) I am the person whose name appears on this document.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California or the U.S. that the foregoing is true and correct.

**Your ballot will not be counted unless you sign this declaration and include it in the same fax transmission with your ballot. You must sign in your own handwriting.**

My signature and date below indicate when I completed this document. The information on this form is true, accurate, and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that a material misstatement of fact in completion of this document may constitute grounds for conviction of perjury under the laws of the State of California or the U.S.

**X**

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**YOUR SIGNATURE AS REGISTERED TO VOTE - DO NOT PRINT**  
(Power of Attorney NOT ACCEPTABLE)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

### OFFICIAL USE ONLY

<b>VOTER ID #</b>	<b>BALLOT GROUP #</b>	<b>AV ID #</b>

County of Los Angeles Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk 12400 Imperial Hwy Norwalk CA 90650 USA





# Voter Bill of Rights

## You have the following rights:

- 1. The right to vote if you are a registered voter.** You are eligible to vote if you are:
  - a U.S. citizen living in California
  - not currently in state or federal prison or on parole for the conviction of a felony
  - at least 18 years old
  - not currently found mentally incompetent to vote by a court
  - registered where you currently live
- 2. The right to vote if you are a registered voter even if your name is not on the list.**

You will vote using a provisional ballot. Your vote will be counted if elections officials determine that you are eligible to vote.
- 3. The right to vote if you are still in line when the polls close.**
- 4. The right to cast a secret ballot** without anyone bothering you or telling you how to vote.
- 5. The right to get a new ballot if you have made a mistake**, if you have not already cast your ballot. You can:
  - Ask an elections official at a polling place** for a new ballot,
  - Exchange your vote-by-mail ballot** for a new one at an elections office, or at your polling place, or
  - Vote using a provisional ballot.**
- 6. The right to get help casting your ballot** from anyone you choose, except from your employer or union representative.
- 7. The right to drop off your completed vote-by-mail ballot at any polling place** in California.
- 8. The right to get election materials in a language other than English** if enough people in your voting precinct speak that language.
- 9. The right to ask questions to elections officials about election procedures** and watch the election process. If the person you ask cannot answer your questions, they must send you to the right person for an answer. If you are disruptive, they can stop answering you.
- 10. The right to report any illegal or fraudulent election activity** to an elections official or the Secretary of State's office.

**If you believe you have been denied any of these rights**, call the Secretary of State's confidential toll-free Voter Hotline at (800) 345-VOTE (8683).

-  On the web at [www.sos.ca.gov](http://www.sos.ca.gov)
-  By phone at (800) 345-VOTE (8683)
-  By email at [elections@sos.ca.gov](mailto:elections@sos.ca.gov)

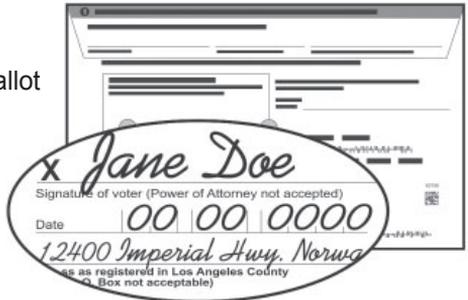


# Return your voted ballot

Voted ballot must be received postmarked on or before Election Day and received by Elections Office no later than 3 days after Election Day - March 5, 2019.

## By Mail

- 1 Remove ballot stub from Official Ballot Card. (This is your receipt).
- 2 Place Official Ballot Card in the Ballot Secrecy Sleeve.
- 3 Place sleeve in Ballot Return Envelope and print your residence address.
- 4 You can return your ballot by mail, there is no postage necessary.
- 5 **Sign** the back of the Ballot Return Envelope. If you don't sign it, it doesn't count. Signature must match voter registration record.  
*Mail delivery may be delayed. Be sure to mail back your ballot early.*



## Ballot drop-off location

Beginning February 5th, any voter may drop-off their voted ballot. Visit [lavote.net](http://lavote.net) to find the nearest drop-off location.

## Return by fax

Include the signed **Faxed Ballot Oath** when you transmit your voted ballot.

(562) 232-7924

(877) 614-1127

## Questions or problems

(800) 815-2666, option 2