

## **VOTING BY ABSENTEE BALLOT**

Any qualified elector who is unable or unwilling to appear at the polling place on election day may request to vote an absentee ballot. A qualified elector is any U.S. citizen, who will be 18 years of age or older on election day, who has resided in the ward or municipality where he or she wishes to vote for at least 28 consecutive days before the election. The elector must also be registered in order to receive an absentee ballot. Effective with the Spring Primary in 2012, proof of identification must be provided before an absentee ballot may be issued. Proof of identification is *not* required for this election.

### **TO OBTAIN AN ABSENTEE BALLOT YOU MUST MAKE A REQUEST IN WRITING.**

Contact your municipal clerk and request that an application for an absentee ballot be sent to you for the primary or election or both. You may also request an absentee ballot by letter. Your written request must list your voting address within the municipality where you wish to vote, the address where the absentee ballot should be sent, if different, and your signature.

Special absentee voting application provisions apply to electors who are indefinitely confined to home or a care facility, in the military, hospitalized, or serving as a sequestered juror. If this applies to you, contact the municipal clerk.

You can also personally go to the clerk's office, complete a written application, and vote an absentee ballot during the hours specified for absentee voting.

Contact: Cathy Hasslinger, Town Clerk  
Address: 4156 County Road B, McFarland WI 53558  
Phone: (608) 838-1081

Hours: 8am- 4 pm Monday- Friday and 8am-5pm on the Friday preceding election.

THE DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS TO VOTE ABSENTEE BY MAIL IS 5:00 P.M., on the fifth day before the election, **on August 5th, 2011.** Military electors should contact the municipal clerk regarding deadlines for requesting or submitting an absentee ballot.

THE FIRST DAY TO VOTE AN ABSENTEE BALLOT IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE IS the third Monday before the election, **July 25th, 2011.**

THE DEADLINE FOR VOTING AN ABSENTEE BALLOT IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE IS 5:00 P.M. on the Friday before the election, **August 5th, 2011.**

ALL VOTED BALLOTS MUST BE RETURNED TO THE MUNICIPAL CLERK SO THE CLERK CAN DELIVER THEM TO THE POLLING PLACE BEFORE THE POLLS CLOSE on **August 9th, 2011.** ANY BALLOTS RECEIVED AFTER THE POLLS CLOSE WILL NOT BE COUNTED.

**(NOTE:** THE TYPE E NOTICE IS PUBLISHED BY THE MUNICIPAL CLERK ON THE 4<sup>TH</sup>\* TUESDAY BEFORE EACH PRIMARY AND EACH ELECTION HELD IN THE MUNICIPALITY. IF A WEEKLY PAPER IS USED FOR PUBLICATION, THE NOTICE IS PUBLISHED IN THE CLOSEST PRECEDING ISSUE TO THE 4<sup>TH</sup>\* TUESDAY BEFORE EACH PRIMARY AND EACH ELECTION. IF A MUNICIPALITY CHOOSES TO POST THIS NOTICE IN LIEU OF PUBLICATION, THE NOTICE MUST BE POSTED NO LATER THAN THE 4<sup>TH</sup>\* TUESDAY BEFORE THE PRIMARY OR THE ELECTION.)

\* THE TYPE E NOTICE FOR A SPECIAL PRIMARY OR ELECTION FOR NATIONAL STATE, COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL OR SPECIAL DISTRICT OFFICE, NOT HELD CONCURRENTLY WITH THE SPRING OR GENERAL ELECTION, IS PUBLISHED ON THE 3<sup>RD</sup> TUESDAY PRECEDING THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION. §§ 10.01(2)(e), 10.06(3)(f), Wis. Stats.

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