



# EARLY VOTING

## Who may apply for an Early Voting ballot?

Anyone may apply for an Early Voting ballot, such as:

- ❖ Persons not able to go to the polls due to their work or vacation schedule, or
- ❖ Persons not able to go to the polls due to a medical condition or hospitalization, or
- ❖ Persons temporarily out of the county, state or country, or
- ❖ Persons not wishing to travel to the polls, or
- ❖ Persons not wishing to leave their homes

## Do I need to give the reason why I am voting early when applying for Early Voting ballots?

- ❖ No, since 1999 Nebraska law has not required a person to disclose a reason for their Request on the Early Voting application

## How do I apply for and vote an Early Voting ballot?

- ❖ You can apply for an early voting ballot by visiting your County Clerk/Election Commissioner in person at the election office
- ❖ Visit the local county website (Lincoln County: [www.co.lincoln.ne.us](http://www.co.lincoln.ne.us)). There is a big button that says 2022 Elections-Voter Information. Scroll down some and there is a link for the Early Voters application
- ❖ Visit the Secretary of State ([https://sos.nebraska.gov/elec/ele\\_forms.html](https://sos.nebraska.gov/elec/ele_forms.html)) Elections Division-Forms.
- ❖ A person can act as an agent to sign an early voters ballot application

## What is an agent?

- ❖ An Agent is someone whom you have sign the request form and pick up your ballots for you. An individual can only act as the agent for two voters per election.

## How do I apply by mail?

- ❖ Print the on-line form at [https://sos.nebraska.gov/elec/pdf/earlyvote\\_app.pdf](https://sos.nebraska.gov/elec/pdf/earlyvote_app.pdf) ; complete the form; then mail, fax or email to your County Clerk/Election Commissioner. FAX: 308-535-3522 ADDRESS: 301 N. Jeffers Rm 101, North Platte NE 69101
- ❖ Write to your County Clerk/Election Commissioner, including:
  1. Your name and residence address
  2. Your political party affiliation
  3. Your telephone number,
  4. The mailing address you want the ballots sent to, and
  5. Your signature

## Is there a process to assist military and overseas citizens in obtaining Early Voting Ballots?

- ❖ Yes, Nebraska participates in the Federal Voting Assistance Program for our military personnel and overseas citizens. You may go to the following website for further information:  
[https://sos.nebraska.gov/elec/ele\\_forms.html](https://sos.nebraska.gov/elec/ele_forms.html) - Elections - then you can choose military or overseas voting.

## When may I apply for an Early Voting ballot?

- ❖ All county election offices will accept Early Voting applications up to 120 days prior to a statewide Primary or General election.
- ❖ 35 days before the Election ballots will be mailed.
- ❖ 30 days before the Election is the first day early voting ballots are available to vote at the County Office. Contact your County Clerk/Election Commissioner for information on office hours
- ❖ Should your ballots not arrive, contact your County Clerk/Election Commissioner to confirm the date and address the ballot was mailed out
- ❖ Make arrangements with the County Clerk/Election commissioner to receive a replacement ballot if it is determined your ballots were lost, destroyed, spoiled or never received.
- ❖ The last day to request an Early voting ballot to be mailed is the Wednesday prior to Election Day
- ❖ The Monday before Election Day is the last day to cast an early voting ballot at the County Election Office.