Voting and Preparing Your Ballots

1. **If you have questions about your ballots, immediately contact your County Election Board.**

2. Ballots **must be marked with blue or black ink.**

3. Marked ballots must be sealed inside the **Ballots Envelope**.

4. The **Affidavit Envelope** must be:
   a. Filled out completely
   b. Signed or marked by the voter
   c. Signed by two witnesses
   d. If a State of Emergency related to COVID-19 is declared, see "COVID-19 Supplemental Instructions"

5. If you cannot mark your ballots yourself, you may choose an assistant to mark them for you.

6. If you cannot fill out your own **Affidavit Envelope** or sign your name, an assistant may complete the **Affidavit Envelope**, at your direction, and print your name. You may make a mark in place of your signature.

7. An assistant must:
   a. Read the Assistant's Oath
   b. Print and Sign their name in the space provided
   c. Print their address in the space provided

8. Each witness must:
   a. Sign and print their name and address
   b. Not be a candidate for an office on the ballot
   c. Not be related to a candidate
   d. Not act as an assistant
   e. Not witness the signatures of more than five absentee voters

Returning Your Ballots

Physically Incapacitated or Care for Physically Incapacitated Absentee Ballots **must be returned by mail.**

To return by mail:

1. **Ballots must be received no later than 7:00 p.m. on election day**. A postmark prior to 7:00 p.m. on election day **will not suffice**.

2. To ensure delivery of your ballots by the deadline, it is recommended that you mail your ballots to the County Election Board as soon as possible.

3. Ballots must be transmitted by United States mail or by a private mail service that provides delivery documentation.

4. You must return your own ballots.

5. You must affix First-class postage to your Return Envelope.

If you are physically incapacitated or you are caring for a person who is physically incapacitated, your ballots **may not be returned by hand delivery**.

COVID-19 SUPPLEMENTAL INSTRUCTIONS

Due to the COVID-19 state of emergency in effect for this election, Senate Bill 210 provides an alternate option for absentee voter verification. First, carefully read the **Voting and Preparing Your Ballots** sheet that is enclosed in your packet. Then read and follow the supplemental instructions for voter verification during the COVID-19 state of emergency before you begin the voting process.

You may follow the absentee voter verification Instruction # 4 on the **Voting and Preparing Your Ballots** sheet enclosed with your absentee ballot and envelopes.

- OR -

Print your name, **sign** and date your affidavit envelope. Then attach (tape, paper clip) **a copy of the front side of a valid ID** to the affidavit. Valid Identification includes:

1. A photo identification issued to you by the United States, by the State of Oklahoma, or by a federally recognized Native American nation or tribe that has an expiration date which is **AFTER** the election date, or

2. A photo identification issued to you by a branch of the United States armed forces because you are a member or a retired member of that service branch, or

3. The free **Voter Identification Card** mailed to you by your County Election Board when you registered to vote.

For more information visit the State Election Board website (www.elections.ok.gov),

Or contact your local County Election Board office.

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Attach ID Here

Yellow Affidavit

I have marked these ballots myself; and I have not shown these marked ballots to any other person.

Voter's Signature

Date Signed

A Notary Public in Oklahoma may not charge a fee to notarize an absentee ballot Affidavit.

NOTARY

State of _____

County of _____

Subscribed and sworn before me on this date of

___/___/___.
Date Notarized

Signature of Notary

Affix Notary Seal Here

My Commission Expires

Commission Number

Attach the copy of your ID to the envelope as shown, using a small piece of tape or a paper clip.

Attach ID Here

elections for which ballots are enclosed.

I am unable to vote at my precinct on election day because I am physically incapacitated; or I care for a physically incapacitated person who cannot be left unattended; or I am physically incapacitated and confined to a nursing home.

☐ I have marked these ballots myself or

☐ I have directed an assistant to mark them.

Assistant's Oath - This voter cannot mark their own ballot. I swear or affirm that I am not the voter's employer or an agent of the employer; I am not an officer or agent of the voter's union; and that I marked the ballots as directed by the voter.

Print Name of Assistant

Assistant's Signature

Assistant's Address

The voter's assistant cannot serve as a witness for this Affidavit.

Pink Affidavit

Voter's Signature or Mark **Date**

Two Witnesses Required

First Witness	Second Witness
Signature of Witness 1	Signature of Witness 2
Print Name of Witness 1	Print Name of Witness 2
Address of Witness 1	Address of Witness 2
City, State, Zip of Witness 1	City, State, Zip of Witness 2

Warning

Title 26 of the Oklahoma Statutes provides that any person shall be deemed guilty of a **felony** who:

- Votes more than once at any election.
- Willfully votes in an election that she or he knows that she or he is not eligible to vote in.
- Knowingly voting and submitting the absentee ballot issued to another person.
- Swears or affirms a false affidavit in order to become eligible to vote.
- Knowingly perpetuates fraud in connection with certain election activities.
- Offers, solicits or knowingly accepts something of value intended to influence votes directly or indirectly.
- Cannot share a ballot "selfie" with intent to intimidate, coerce, or unlawfully influence another voter (misdemeanor).

The following Ballot Harvesting activities are illegal: [*Title 26 O.S., Section 14-101.1*]

Collecting an absentee ballot from another person with the intent to return the ballot on behalf of that person or,

Submit an absentee ballot on behalf of another person; under a false pretense or promise of returning it on behalf of that person or,

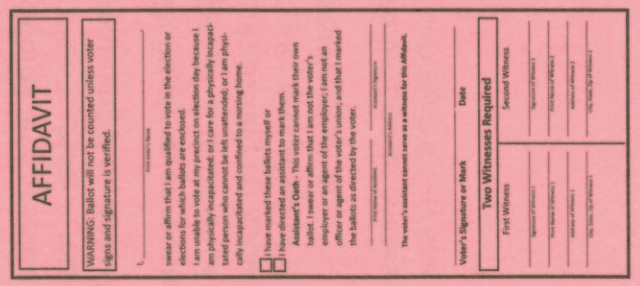
Requesting or receiving an absentee ballot on behalf of another person, or partially or fully completing an application for an absentee ballot on behalf of another person without prior permission, or,

Notarizing or witnessing more absentee ballots than allowed by law.

BALLOTS

ATTENTION VOTER

For secrecy, seal your voted ballot in this envelope before placing it in the affidavit envelope.



AFFIDAVIT

WARNING: Ballot will not be counted unless voter signs and signature is verified.

I, _____
Print Voter's Name

swear or affirm that I am qualified to vote in the election or elections for which ballots are enclosed.

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_____ Print Name of Assistant _____ Assistant's Address _____ Assistant's Signature

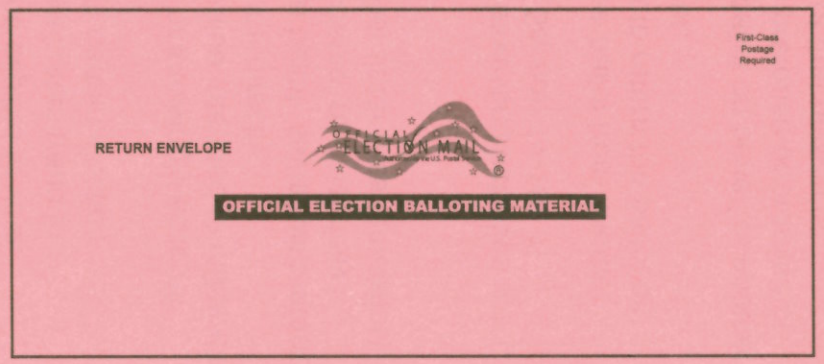
The voter's assistant cannot serve as a witness for this affidavit.

Voter's Signature or Mark _____ **Date** _____

Two Witnesses Required

First Witness	Second Witness
Signature of Witness 1	Signature of Witness 1
Print Name of Witness 1	Print Name of Witness 1
Address of Witness 1	Address of Witness 1
City, State, Zip of Witness 1	City, State, Zip of Witness 1

1. Place voted ballots in the Ballots Envelope.
2. Place sealed Ballots envelope in Affidavit Envelope.
3. Place completed Affidavit Envelope containing the Ballots Envelope inside the Return Envelope.
4 Seal the Return Envelope and affix postage.



First-Class Postage Required

RETURN ENVELOPE

OFFICIAL ELECTION MAIL

OFFICIAL ELECTION BALLOTING MATERIAL

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_____ _____
Print Name of Assistant Assistant's Signature

_____
Assistant's Address

The voter's assistant cannot serve as a witness for this Affidavit.

_____ _____
Voter's Signature or Mark **Date**

Two Witnesses Required

First Witness	Second Witness
_____ Signature of Witness 1	_____ Signature of Witness 2
_____ Print Name of Witness 1	_____ Print Name of Witness 2
_____ Address of Witness 1	_____ Address of Witness 2
_____ City, State, Zip of Witness 1	_____ City, State, Zip of Witness 2

Affidavit Envelope

Did You?

1. Complete and Sign the Affidavit Envelope? (See Voting Your Ballot #5)
2. Enclose the Ballots Envelope containing your ballots?
3. Seal this Affidavit Envelope containing the Ballots Envelope?

If so, insert this sealed Affidavit Envelope inside the Return Envelope.

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