

Absentee Information for the 2020 November 3 General Election

Ballots will be available on October 2, 2020

Getting an Application

NY State requires an application for absentee ballots.

Applications can be obtained in the following ways:

- Call the Board of Elections at (607) 274-5522 to request application(s) be mailed to you
- On your electronic device, go to votetompkins.com, select “forms” in the top left block, choose Absentee Application Forms, and download and print the form
- Stop at the Board of Elections , 128 East Buffalo St., Ithaca, to pick one up
- Go to the State Board of Elections Absentee Portal (linked on our home page), complete and submit per instructions.

Completing the Absentee Application

- If you are requesting the form due to concern about COVID-19 transmission, choose “temporary illness or physical disability” for number 1
- Choose “General Election Only,” unless you are also applying for a Village Election ballot.
- Select an option for delivery of ballot. Ballots can be mailed, delivered to you in person at the BOE, or delivered to a representative of your choosing that you name on your application. Your representative must have proof of identification in order to pick up your ballot. Make certain your representative (should you choose one) is known and trusted by you.
- Sign the form. It does not matter if you include your middle initial or not.

Filing the Application

- Applications must be filed by October 27 if mailed, faxed or emailed. Applications can be received over the counter at the Board of Elections up until close of business, November 2. **We strongly recommend getting your application to us as soon as possible.**

- Your completed application can be mailed to us at 128 E Buffalo St, Ithaca, NY 14850.
- Your completed application can be scanned and attached in an email to us at elections@tompkins-co.org
- Your completed application can be faxed to us at (607) 274-5533
- Your completed application can be delivered to us in person at the Board of Elections, 128 E Buffalo St, Ithaca, between the hours of 8:30 AM and 5:00 PM weekdays.

EARLIER IS BETTER. HELP US HELP YOU MAKE YOUR VOTE COUNT!!

CONSIDER IN-PERSON, EARLY VOTING AT TWO LOCATIONS

**Town of Ithaca Town Hall
215 N Tioga Street
Ithaca, NY 14850**

**Crash Fire Rescue (C.F.R.)
72 Brown Road
Ithaca NY 14850**

Sat, October 24	9:00 AM to 2:00 PM
Sun, October 25	9:00 AM to 2:00 PM
Mon, October 26	7:00 AM to 3:00 PM
Tues, October 27	12:00 PM to 8:00 PM
Wed, October 28	7:00 AM to 3:00 PM
Thur, October 29	12:00 PM to 8:00 PM
Fri, October 30	9:00 AM to 5:00 PM
Sat, October 31	9:00 AM to 2:00 PM
Sun, November 1	9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

During all in person voting, voters and poll workers will be required to wear a mask while inside the polling place. When voters enter the polling place, they will use hand sanitizer and will be issued a pair of plastic gloves to wear at all times while in the polling place.