



Permanent Absentee Lists

Scoring

- State allows some or all voters to sign up for a permanent absentee list to receive ballots, 1/2 point
- State allows some or all voters to sign up for an annual or bi-annual absentee list to receive ballots OR permanent list to receive applications, ¼ point
- State has no applicable law, 0 points
- State bans unsolicited distribution of absentee ballots or applications, -½ point
- Note: States that conduct all-mail elections have been scored as having a permanent absentee list.
- No updates required since January 1, 2023

Alabama (1/2)

- State allows disabled voters to sign up for a permanent absentee list (Ala. Code § 17-11-3.1).

Alaska (1/4)

- State allows certain categories of voters to sign up for permanent list to receive absentee applications (Alaska Admin. Code tit. 6, § 25.650).

Arizona (0)

- State allows all voters to sign up for a permanent absentee list (Ariz. Rev. Stat. § 16-544 (A)).
- State bans unsolicited distribution of absentee ballots to voters not on the permanent absentee list (Ariz. Rev. Stat. § 16-542).

Arkansas (-1/2)

- State bans unsolicited distribution of absentee ballots or applications (Arkansas Code § 7-5-409).

California (1/2)

- State allows all voters to sign up for a permanent absentee list (Cal. Elec. Code § 3201).

Colorado (1/2)

- State conducts all-mail elections (Colo. Rev. Stat. § 1-5-401).

Connecticut (1/2)

- State allows disabled voters to sign up for a permanent absentee list (Conn. Gen. Stat. § 9-140e).



Delaware (1/2)

- State allows disabled, UOCAVA, and other defined categories of voters to sign up for a permanent absentee list (De. Code tit. 15, § 5503(k)).

D.C. (1/2)

- Allows all voters to sign up for a permanent absentee list ([D.C. Board of Elections](#)).

Florida (1/4)

- State allows applications for absentee ballots to be effective for a calendar year (Fla. Stat. §101.62).

Georgia (-1/2)

- State prohibits election officials from sending unsolicited absentee ballot applications (Ga. Code § 21-2-381).

Hawaii (1/2)

- State conducts all-mail elections (Haw. Rev. Stat. § 11-102).

Idaho (0)

- State has no applicable law.

Illinois (1/2)

- State allows all voters to sign up for a permanent absentee list (Ill. Pub. Act. 15 (2021)).

Indiana (0)

- State has no applicable law.

Iowa (-1/2)

- State prohibits election officials from sending unsolicited absentee ballot applications (Iowa Code § 53.2).

Kansas (1/2)

- State allows disabled voters to sign up for a permanent absentee list (Kan. Stat. § 25-1122(h)).

Kentucky (0)

- State has no applicable law.

Louisiana (1/2)

- State allows disabled, senior, and other defined categories of voters to sign up for a permanent absentee list ([Louisiana Secretary of State](#)).



Maine (0)

- State has no applicable law.

Maryland (1/2)

- State allows all voters to sign up for a permanent absentee list (Md. Code, Elec. Law § 9-311.1).

Massachusetts (1/4)

- State allows permanently disabled voters to sign up for permanent list to receive absentee applications (Mass. Gen. Laws ch. 54, §86).

Michigan (1/2)

- State allows all voters to sign up for a permanent absentee list (Michigan Proposal 2 (2022)).

Minnesota (1/4)

- State allows all voters to sign up for permanent list to receive absentee applications (Minn. Stat. § 203B.04).

Mississippi (1/2)

- State allows disabled voters to sign up for a permanent absentee list (Miss. Code § 23-15-629(2)).

Missouri (1/4)

- State allows permanently disabled voters to sign up for permanent list to receive absentee applications (Mo. Rev. Stat. § 115.284).

Montana (1/2)

- State allows all voters to sign up for a permanent absentee list (Mont. Code § 13-13-212(3)).

Nebraska (0)

- State has no applicable law.

Nevada (1/2)

- State conducts all-mail elections ([AB 321 \(2021\)](#)).

New Hampshire (0)

- State has no applicable law.

New Jersey (1/2)

- State allows all voters to sign up for a permanent absentee list (N.J. Stat. § 19:63-3(a)(1)).

New Mexico (0)

- State has no applicable law.



New York (1/2)

- State allows disabled voters to sign up for a permanent absentee list (N.Y. Elec. Code 8-400(4)).

North Carolina (0)

- State has no applicable law.

North Dakota (1/4)

- State allows applications for absentee ballots to be effective for a calendar year (N.D.. Cent. Code §16.1-07-05(1)).

Ohio (0)

- State has no applicable law.

Oklahoma (1/4)

- State allows applications for absentee ballots to be effective for a calendar year (Oklahoma AC 230:30-5-13).

Oregon (1/2)

- State conducts all-mail elections (Or. Rev. Stat. §§ 254.465, 254.470).

Pennsylvania (1/4)

- State allows all voters to sign up for permanent list to receive absentee applications (25 P.S. § 3150.12).

Rhode Island (1/4)

- State allows disabled voters to sign up for permanent list to receive absentee applications (R.I. Gen. Laws § 17-20-9).

South Carolina (0)

- State has no applicable law.

South Dakota (1/4)

- State allows applications for absentee ballots to be effective for a calendar year (S.D.. Codified Laws Ann. §12-19-2).

Tennessee (1/4)



- State allows certain categories of voters to sign up for a permanent list to receive absentee applications (T. C. A. § 2-6-201).

Texas (-1/2)

- State prohibits election officials from sending unsolicited absentee ballot applications ([TX SB 1](#) (2021)).

Utah (1/2)

- State conducts all-mail elections (Utah Code Ann. § 20A-3a-202).

Vermont (1/2)

- State conducts all-mail elections

Virginia (0)

- State has no applicable law.

Washington (1/2)

- State conducts all-mail elections (Wash. Rev. Code § 29A.40.010).

West Virginia (1/2)

- State allows disabled voters to sign up for a permanent absentee list (W. Va. Code §3-3-2b).

Wisconsin (1/2)

- State allows disabled voters to sign up for a permanent absentee list (Wis. Stat. § 6.86(2)(a)).

Wyoming (0)

- State has no applicable law.