

Proper Handling of Absentee Ballot Requests for June 14, 2022 Primary Election

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This chart is to clarify procedures for issuing absentee ballots to various types of voters who are requesting a ballot for the June 14, 2022 Primary Election.

	Request from Democratic or Republican voter	Request from Green Independent voter residing in State Representative District 38 only ¹	Request from unenrolled, Libertarian or Green Independent voter (except SR 38) living in town with municipal election and/or State Senate District 7 Special Election ²	Request from unenrolled, Libertarian or Green Independent voter (except SR 38) living in town with <u>NO</u> municipal election or State Senate District 7 Special Election ²
Request Accepted or Rejected?	Accepted	Accepted	Accepted	Rejected – if ABR Request select “Voter is Unenrolled or There is No Party Ballot” from Grounds for Rejection dropdown list
Ballots to be Issued	Primary Ballot and Municipal Ballot and/or State Senate 7 Special Election Ballot (if applicable)	Primary Ballot and Municipal Ballot and/or State Senate 7 Special Election Ballot (if applicable)	Municipal Ballot and/or State Senate 7 Special Election Ballot (if applicable)	None
Comments	Any voter wishing to change party enrollment (i.e., from one party to another) must file an application to do so at least 15 days prior to the election.	Any voter wishing to change party enrollment (i.e., from one party to another) must file an application to do so at least 15 days prior to the election. Maine law also allows an unenrolled voter to vote in the Green Independent Primary Election only if the voter requests a ballot.	An unenrolled voter can enroll in a party at any time. A voter who is changing enrollment from one qualified party to another must file an application to change enrollment at least 15 days prior to the election. If voter enrolls after above ballots were issued, issue primary ballot in separate envelope marked “Primary Ballot Only”	An unenrolled voter can enroll in a party at any time. A voter who is changing enrollment from one qualified party to another must file an application to change enrollment at least 15 days prior to the election. If voter enrolls after initial rejection, issue appropriate primary ballot to voter at that time.

¹ State Representative District 38 includes: In Waldo County, the municipalities of Brooks, Jackson, Knox, Monroe, Swanville, Thorndike, Unity, Waldo and part of Frankfort

² State Senate District 7 includes: In Hancock County, the municipalities and unorganized territories of Amherst, Aurora, Bar Harbor, Blue Hill, Brooklin, Brooksville, Central Hancock Unorganized Territory (Fletchers Landing Twp), Cranberry Isles, Deer Isle, Eastbrook, Ellsworth, Franklin, Frenchboro, Hancock, Lamoine, Mariaville, Marshall Island Township, Mount Desert, Osborn, Otis, Sedgwick, Sorrento, Southwest Harbor, Stonington, Surry, Swans Island, Tremont, Trenton, Waltham and part of the East Hancock Unorganized Territory including T9 SD Twp, T10 SD Twp, T22 MD Twp and T28 MD Twp.