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2024 ID
Requirements
for Absentee
Voting





ID Requirements for Absentee Voting

- On **any** absentee application, voter must provide:
 1. an Indiana Driver's License Number, Indiana identification number;
 2. Last 4 digits of social security number; or
 3. Voter's unique ID number assigned by county in SVRS,

OR the voter may provide a photocopy of their valid Indiana driver's license or ID card number or other proof of ID that complies with Indiana photo ID law (IC 3-5-2-40.5).
- If the voter submits a credential number instead of copy of ID, then credential number needs to **match** a voter ID number on their registration record.
- However, if voter provides a DLN/ID/SSN credential number **not** currently found in the voter registration record, county will update record to include information, after validating the number using BMV data in SVRS.
- **If voter provides a copy of their photo ID**, then there is no further action to take if the ID complies with the state's photo ID law.



(IC 3-5-2-40.5, IC 3-11-4-2, IC 3-11-4-2.2, IC 3-11-4-3, IC 3-11-4-5.1, IC 3-11-4-17)

New ID Numbers; “Temporary” BMV ID



- **SVRS** allows counties to add new ID number to the voter registration record.
 - Adding an ID number to a record will take effect **immediately**, without putting the registration into pending status.
- **NOTE: WORK IN PROGRESS:** BMV information **WILL** indicate if an ID number is “**temporary**”, referring to an individual who holds a **temporary immigration status**.
 - Temporary status is not necessarily indication the voter is not currently a US citizen.
 - This is a “snapshot” or “point in time” verification when the credential application was made and may not be current status of individual.
 - CEB must do additional research to determine if individual is eligible to vote.

(IC 3-11-4-2, IC 3-11-4-2.2, IC 3-11-4-3, IC 3-11-4-5.1, IC 3-11-4-17)



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- **EXCEPTION:** The law requiring **additional** ID information on absentee applications does not apply to **in-person absentee voting** in counties using electronic pollbooks.
- If you choose not to use an electronic pollbook, you will have to use a paper application so the voter can provide one of the ID numbers now required and you will need to match the ID number in SVRS before approving the application OR make a copy of the voter's valid photo ID to attach to the application.
- The credential information provided by the BMV and given to the county voter registration official is **confidential** and may not be provided to the public **UNTIL....**

(IC 3-11-4-2, IC 3-11-4-2.2, IC 3-11-4-3, IC 3-11-4-5.1, IC 3-11-4-17)

Voter ID Information Confidentiality

- The identification number provided on the voter's absentee ballot application, or the photocopy of the identification document provided with the application is confidential.
- A county voter registration official is only required to redact the confidential information in responding to a public records request for the absentee ballot application.
- **A voter's ID number once placed on their registration record is public information.**



(IC 3-11-4-2, IC 3-11-4-2.2 IC 3-11-4-3, IC 3-11-4-5.1, IC 3-11-4-17)





Absentee Ballot Applications: What Can Residential Facility Staff Do?

1. Request an absentee ballot application for herself or himself (or a “family member” as defined in poll worker law (IC 3-6-6-7))
2. Download a copy of an absentee ballot application from the IED website
3. Make photocopies of blank applications (subject to the facility’s policies) to provide to other individuals, including residents.
4. Assist individual with filling out application, upon request of individual and documenting that assistance was given.
5. County may hand-deliver or email a copy of the application.





Absentee Ballot Applications: What Can Residential Facility Staff **NOT** Do?

1. Request county election board to mail facility staff absentee ballot applications for other persons (such as facility residents) listed by staff to apply to vote by mail or before traveling board. IC 3-11-4-2(g)
2. Complete application for another person without receiving request from individual to do so and documenting that assistance was given. IC 3-11-4-2(k)





THANKS!



Do you have any questions?

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