**UNIFORMED AND OVERSEAS CITIZENS ABSENTEE VOTING ACT (UOCAVA)**

**VOTING INSTRUCTIONS – GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT**

Read carefully and follow all directions

 Ballots must be received by election office by **8 p.m. on November 3, 2020**

**MORE INFORMATION FOR UOCAVA VOTERS CAN BE FOUND AT:** [**FVAP.GOV**](https://www.fvap.gov/montana)

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| **HOW TO VOTE A PAPER BALLOT*** Completely fill in the oval for each race using only black or blue ink pen.
* Vote in all columns, both sides, and all pages of the ballot. *Skipping a race will not invalidate your ballot.*
* **Do not** make an X, √, or another mark.
* **Do not** cross out, erase, or use correction fluid.
* **Do not** make any identifying marks on your ballot.
* **Do not** mark more choices than allowed for each race (overvote). Overvoted races will NOT be counted.
* To write in a candidate’s name, completely fill in the oval to the left of the line and print the name in the blank space.

* If you make a mistake or spoil your ballot, request a replacement ballot from your county election office.

**PREPARE BALLOT TO SEND** (if ballot was received by mail and is being returned by mail)* Place your VOTED ballot in the SECRECY ENVELOPE and seal the envelope.
* **SIGN** the voter affirmation on the **Return Signature Envelope.** Do not sign for another person.
* Failure to sign may invalidate your ballot.
* If your signature does not match your signature on file, the ballot may be rejected.
* Place the Secrecy Envelope containing your VOTED party ballot into the Return Signature Envelope and seal the envelope.
 | **VOTE USING THE ELECTRONIC ABSENTEE SYSTEM**EASVoters covered under UOCAVA may use the Montana Electronic Absentee System (EAS) to register and apply for an absentee ballot, and to vote and return a voted ballot via email.To access the MT EAS system, go to: <https://www.vote4montana.us>For more information about voter rights under UOCAVA, including voter registration and electronic access, go to [sosmt.gov/Elections/military-overseas/](https://sosmt.gov/elections/military-overseas/) or [FVAP.gov/montana](https://www.fvap.gov/montana)**RETURN BALLOT*** **Mail, fax or email** your ballot to:

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* Ballots returned by email must be transmitted by the voter by 8 p.m. on Election Day, and received by the election office by 5 p.m. the day after Election Day.
* Ballots mailed from a U.S. Post Office, an overseas U.S. Military Post Office or an American Embassy or Consulate may be mailed without postage. Postage to return a ballot if not mailed from a listed facility will vary. Check with your local post office for postage rates.

**TRACK YOUR BALLOT**View the status of your absentee ballot and the Voter Information Pamphlet on the “MyVoter Page” at: <https://app.mt.gov/voterinfo/>**IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS CONTACT THE ELECTION OFFICE AT:**MC900434859[1] \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_County Election Office Phone: 406-\_\_\_- \_\_\_\_Fax: 406-\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |