

# KEEP CALM & VOTE EARLY



## In Person or By Mail

Vote early to protect your health **and** your vote.

**DATES: Thursday, April 28 through Saturday, May 14 at 3:00 p.m.**

- ✓ **You've got options.** NC's 17 day, one stop, in person Early Voting period kicks off April 28 and runs through May 14. Get ready by reviewing your sample ballot and nonpartisan voting guides at [ncvoter.org](https://ncvoter.org).
  - ✓ **Register and vote at the same time.** An Early Voting site in your county is the only place you can register AND vote on the same day. Arrive prepared to show a document with a name and address like a pay stub, utility bill, or student ID with a school document showing your address.
  - ✓ **More sites & hours during Early Voting.** The Early Voting period allows for more voting locations, which in turn allow for more hours that you can cast your ballot, and shorter lines than on Election Day! Find your options at [demnc.co/voteearly](https://demnc.co/voteearly).
  - ✓ **Avoid bad weather and voting problems.** From hurricanes to voter registration issues, challenges can arise when trying to vote on Election Day (May 17). Avoid the unexpected by taking advantage of Early Voting.
- **PRO-TIP:** Lines are usually shortest during the first week of Early Voting. Take advantage.

✉ Turn over for advice on voting by mail. ✉

Got questions? Visit [ncvoter.org](https://ncvoter.org) or call **888-OUR-VOTE (888-687-8683)**

**DEMOCRACY** NC



# Vote Early by Mail

**DEADLINES: Request your ballot by May 10 at 5 p.m. Return your completed ballot by May 17 at 5 p.m.**

(Return by hand or by mail. Mailed ballots must be postmarked by May 17 at 5 p.m. and received by 5 p.m. the Friday after Election Day.)\*

- ✓ **Vote as early as March 28.** Absentee ballots will be mailed as early as March 28. To get yours, complete a request form and return it to your county board of elections (BOE) — forms and portal link available at [demnc.co/absentee](https://demnc.co/absentee).
- ✓ **You can get help.** A guardian or near relative can help you complete and sign your ballot request form. Another person can help if it is needed due to disability or inability to read and write. For details, visit [demnc.co/absentee](https://demnc.co/absentee).
- ✓ **Vote by Mail in 2022 with Two Witnesses.** Or one Notary Public. Witnesses can be your spouse, friend, or neighbor. They are required to observe you marking your ballot and sign your return envelope. To learn more about who qualifies as a witness, visit [demnc.co/absentee](https://demnc.co/absentee).
- ✓ **Sign, Seal, & Stamp.** Don't forget to fill out your ballot in black pen and sign on the designated line. Make sure you seal your envelope completely closed, and place a "Forever" or 58 cent first class stamp in the designated area if you're mailing it.
- ✓ **Mail or hand deliver your ballot.** You can hand deliver your completed absentee ballot to your county BOE office or an open Early Voting site, or return via mail with plenty of time before the deadline. Your near relative or guardian may assist with returning your ballot. If you have questions, contact your BOE at [demnc.co/yourboe](https://demnc.co/yourboe).
- ➔ **PRO-TIP: Don't wait for deadlines.** Request your mail in ballot now (at [demnc.co/portal](https://demnc.co/portal)) and return it as soon as you can. If you change your mind you can still vote in person, just throw away your unsent ballot first.

*\*Election deadlines are subject to change. Visit [ncvoter.org](https://ncvoter.org) for the latest information.*