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**RE: Question re: voting from abroad -- GA runoff election**

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**Kinnemore, Lisa** <lkinmore@sos.ga.gov>  
To: H Burch <heidilburch@gmail.com>

Mon, Nov 19, 2018 at 11:37 AM

Hello Heidi,

According to the Official Code of Georgia Annotated § 21-2-386 (a) (1) (G), UOCAVA voters have a three-day period following the runoff for their ballot to be received by the county registrar's office. The statute is below for your reference.

§ 21-2-386. Safekeeping, certification, and validation of absentee ballots; rejection of ballot; delivery of ballots to manager; duties of managers; precinct returns; notification of challenged elector

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(G) Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter to the contrary, until the United States Department of Defense notifies the Secretary of State that the Department of Defense has implemented a system of expedited absentee voting for those electors covered by this subparagraph, absentee ballots cast in a primary, election, or runoff by eligible absentee electors who reside outside the county or municipality in which the primary, election, or runoff is held and are members of the armed forces of the United States, members of the merchant marine of the United States, spouses or dependents of members of the armed forces or merchant marine residing with or accompanying such members, or overseas citizens that are postmarked by the date of such primary, election, or runoff and are received within the three-day period following such primary, election, or runoff, if proper in all other respects, shall be valid ballots and shall be counted and included in the certified election results.

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving.

Best regards,

**Lisa Kinnemore**

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**From:** H Burch <[heidilburch@gmail.com](mailto:heidilburch@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Friday, November 9, 2018 4:41 PM  
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**Subject:** Re: Question re: voting from abroad -- GA runoff election

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Thank you! Very much appreciate the quick response.

Best, Heidi

On Fri, Nov 9, 2018 at 1:36 PM Kinnemore, Lisa <[lkinnemore@sos.ga.gov](mailto:lkinnemore@sos.ga.gov)> wrote:

Hello Heidi,

I hope you are doing well. The answers to your questions are below.

1. The ballot request deadline is the same (Nov. 2).
2. Yes, Georgia overseas voters received a SWAB for the Dec 4 Runoff Election with their regular ballot for the Nov 6 election.
3. Georgia will mail out the Runoff Absentee Ballot as soon as possible after the results are certified.

4. If overseas voters do not receive either the SWAB or the regular Runoff Absentee Ballot in time to meet the deadline, they can go to the Secretary of State webpage below to download the SWAB or the FWAB and the instructions.

[http://sos.ga.gov/index.php/elections/ballot\\_selection](http://sos.ga.gov/index.php/elections/ballot_selection)

If you need additional assistance please contact me. Have a wonderful day.

Best regards,

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Dear Ms. Kinnemore,

I'm a volunteer with VoteFromAbroad--we help US citizens, military and civilian, living overseas when they have questions about voting from abroad.

Now that there will be at least one state election going to runoff on Dec 4th, I wanted to verify information we will be sending to overseas voters who are eligible to vote in state races:

**1. What is the Ballot Request deadline for registered GA voters?**

I know the deadline to register to vote for the Dec 4 Runoff was Oct 9th (same deadline as the Nov 6 General Election). Is the Ballot request deadline the same (Nov 2) or is it extended for Runoff Elections?

**2. Did GA overseas voters receive the SWAB for the Dec 4 Runoff Election with their regular ballot for the Nov 6 election?**

**3. When will GA mail out the Runoff Absentee Ballot?**

(I understand that electronic ballots will not be available as there won't be a federal candidate on the ballot)

**4. Use of the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot:**

I wanted to confirm that if an overseas voter does not receive either the SWAB or the regular Runoff Absentee Ballot in time to meet the deadline, they use the **FWAB** to vote in state elections.

Thank you for your help! I know this is a hugely busy time but we want to make sure we provide accurate information to overseas voters.

Best, Heidi