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Re: Overseas voters

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Mary C. Wagner -SBE- <maryc.wagner@maryland.gov>
To: H Burch <heidilburch@gmail.com>

Tue, May 22, 2018 at 11:53 AM

No, I apologize for the confusion. It is a postmark deadline and must be received by the local board of elections by 10 a.m. on the 2nd Friday after an election provided there is a proper postmark or date of the voter's oath.

Take care,
Mary

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On Tue, May 22, 2018 at 2:05 PM, H Burch <heidilburch@gmail.com> wrote:

Hi,
Thank you for the response! It looks like our emails crossed as I just re-sent this to your office--please ignore the "re-send"

So, just to clarify--for returning a ballot: it must be postmarked AND received in MD by Election Day? There is no additional 10 days for the postmarked ballot to get to MD, is that correct?

Thanks!

On Tue, May 22, 2018 at 10:22 AM, Mary C. Wagner -SBE- <maryc.wagner@maryland.gov> wrote:

Dear Ms. Burch:

Your email has been forwarded to me for response. Thank you for reaching out to get the answers to your questions. The dates on our website are correct. I will reach out to FVAP as I thought we had given them all the appropriate deadlines, whether postmark and receipt.

Again, thank you for reaching out to us. Please don't hesitate to contact me with any additional questions or concerns.

Regards,
Mary

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From: **H Burch** <heidilburch@gmail.com>

Date: Wed, May 16, 2018 at 11:24 PM

Subject: Questions about deadlines for overseas voters to vote in the June 26th Primary

To: info.sbe@maryland.gov

Hi,

I wanted to check on the deadlines for overseas (civilian) voters to register to vote for the June 26th Primary. I noticed there were some differences between the information provided on the State Board of Elections website and what's on the Federal website (FVAP.gov),

- I wanted to confirm that if an overseas voter mails in the FPCA to register to vote, their form must be **Postmarked** by June 5th as indicated on the website (https://elections.maryland.gov/overseas_voters/voter_registration.html). I want to confirm this because FVAP says the form must be received in MD by that date (www.fvap.gov/guide/chapter2/maryland)
- What is the deadline for returning the ballot for the June 26th Primary? Your website says the voted ballot must be "postmarked on or before election day **and** received by your local board of elections by 10 am on June 26, 2018" :(https://elections.maryland.gov/overseas_voters/absentee.html).

But both FVAP and OVF indicate that while ballots must be postmarked by election day, there is an additional 10 days for ballots to be received in Maryland--that is, July 6th is the deadline for ballots to be received. (www.fvap.gov/guide/chapter2/maryland and www.overseasvotefoundation.org/vote/state-elections/state-election-dates-deadlines.htm?uocava=true&stateName=MD)

Thank you for your help!
Heidi Burch