

(IV) IS REQUIRED TO BE ABSENT ON THE DAY OF AN ELECTION FROM THE COUNTY OR BALTIMORE CITY WHERE THE PERSON IS REGISTERED TO VOTE FOR ANY REASON OF WHICH THE PERSON BECOMES AWARE AFTER THE TIME FOR MAKING APPLICATION FOR AN ABSENTEE BALLOT.

(2) The application shall be made under penalty of perjury but without formal oath, setting forth the reason why the voter is unable to be present at the polls on the day of the election.

(3) Upon receipt of the application, the board, if satisfied that the person cannot, in fact, be present at the polling place on the day of the election, shall issue to the applicant, or his duly authorized agent, an absentee ballot which shall be marked by the voter, placed in a sealed envelope, and returned to the board.

(4) If the applicant does not apply in person, the application shall designate a voter registered in the same county or Baltimore City as agent for the purpose of delivering the absentee ballot to the voter, and the agent shall execute an affidavit under penalty of perjury that the ballot was delivered to the voter who submitted the application, was marked by the voter in the agent's presence, was placed in a sealed envelope in the agent's presence, and returned, under seal, to the board by the agent.

(5) Any emergency absentee ballot received by the board [after the time for closing of the polls may not be counted] SHALL BE CONSIDERED TIMELY IF RECEIVED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 27-9(C).

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(b) The ballots shall contain the words "Absentee Ballot" or "Official Ballot" printed in large letters in a clear space at the top of each paper ballot or of each punchcard and covering folder as the case may be. If paper ballots are used, underneath these words shall be printed the following warning: -{"Mark ballot by placing X in proper blank after each candidate or question. Do not erase or make identifying mark."--}-
~~"-INDICATE--YOUR--SELECTION--BY--PLACING--A--MARK--COMMONLY--USED--TO--INDICATE--CHOICE--IN--THE--SPACE--PROVIDED--FOR--EACH--CANDIDATE--OR--QUESTION--THE--SAME--MARK--MUST--BE--USED--CONSISTENTLY--THROUGHOUT--THE--BALLOT--IF--YOUR--VOTE--FOR--A--CANDIDATE--OR--QUESTION--IS--MARKED--IN--SUCH--A--MANNER--THAT--YOUR--INTENT--IS--NOT--CLEARLY--DEMONSTRATED--YOUR--VOTE--FOR--THAT--OFFICE--OR--QUESTION--SHALL--NOT--BE--COUNTED--IN--ORDER--TO--PROTECT--THE--SECURITY--OF--YOUR--VOTE--DO--NOT--PUT--YOUR--NAME--INITIALS--OR--ANY--IDENTIFYING--MARK--ON--YOUR--OFFICIAL--BALLOT--IF--IT--IS--DETERMINED--THAT--A--BALLOT--IS--INTENTIONALLY--MARKED--WITH--AN--IDENTIFYING--MARK--THE--ENTIRE--BALLOT--WILL--NOT--BE--COUNTED."~~ If punchcard ballots are used, underneath these words on each punchcard shall be printed the following warning: "Mark ballot by punching out the circled cross after each candidate or question