

Application to vote by post

Voting by post

We are including this form to give you the option to vote by post at future elections and referendums. Only one person can use this form, further copies are available on our website at www.middlesbrough.gov.uk. Voting by post is an easy and convenient way of voting as an alternative to going to the polling station.

You can use this form to apply to vote by post for a particular election or referendum, for a set period of time or for all future polls. Postal votes can be sent to addresses in the UK and abroad.

You must already be registered to vote to apply for a postal vote. You must be 18 or over on polling day to vote.

How do I apply to vote by post?

Fill in the postal vote application form.

Make sure you complete all sections of the form. Your date of birth and signature are needed on this application form, and again when you use your postal vote. This information is needed to prevent fraud. If you are unable to sign this form, please contact the electoral registration office on 01642 729771.

Return your form to us using the enclosed pre-paid envelope. You do not need a stamp.

You must return your postal vote application form by 5pm, 11 working days before the poll.

If you are not already registered to vote, your application to register must have reached the electoral registration office by midnight, 12 working days before the poll.

If you are already a postal voter you do not need to return this form.

What happens after I've returned this form?

When an election or referendum is going to be held, your ballot paper will be sent to you in the post. To find out when your ballot paper will be issued you can contact the elections team at Middlesbrough council.

Make sure you return your postal vote so that it arrives by the close of poll, otherwise it will not be counted. A Freepost envelope is included in your postal ballot pack. But, if you are sending it from overseas, you may need to pay the postage.

If it is too late to send your vote back by post, you can hand it in on polling day to the elections team at Middlesbrough Council, or drop it off at certain polling stations.

Privacy statement

The Electoral Registration Officer will only use the information you give them for electoral purposes. They will look after personal information securely and will follow data protection legislation. They will not give personal information about you or any personal information you may provide on other people to anyone else or another organisation unless they have to by law.

The lawful basis to collect the information in this form is that it is necessary for the performance of a task carried out in the public interest and exercise of official authority as vested in the Electoral Registration Officer as set out in Representation of the People Act 1983 and associated regulations.

The Electoral Registration Officer is the Data Controller. For further information relating to the processing of personal data you should refer to their privacy notice on their website at www.middlesbrough.gov.uk

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Only one person can apply to vote by post using this form

Please write in black ink and use BLOCK LETTERS. When you have completed every section and signed the form yourself send it to the electoral registration office using the enclosed pre-paid envelope. More copies of this form are available at www.middlesbrough.gov.uk

1 About you

Surname

First name(s) (in full)

Your address (where you are registered to vote)

Postcode

Telephone no (optional)

Email (optional)

Providing an email and telephone number gives a quick and easy way to contact you about your application.

2 How long do you want a postal vote for?

I want to vote by post (tick one box only):

until further notice (permanent postal vote)

for the elections/referendums to be held on

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for the period

from

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to

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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3 Address for ballot paper (If different to your registration address)

Please send my ballot paper to (address):

Postcode

The reason I'd like my ballot paper sent to this address, rather than my registered address is:

4 Your date of birth and declaration

Declaration: As far as I know, the details on this form are true and accurate.

I understand that to provide false information on this form is an offence, punishable on conviction by imprisonment of up to two years and/or a fine.

Date of birth: Please write your date of birth in the boxes below using black ink.

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Signature: Sign below using black ink, keeping within the grey border.

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5 Date of application

Today's date

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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