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1) Is Vote-By-Mail the same thing as voting by absentee ballot?

Answer: Yes! Both require an absentee ballot, or Vote-by-Mail Ballot, Both must be completed at home and sent by mail or delivered by hand to the Supervisor of Elections in Collier County.

2) Can I vote by mail just because I feel like it, or do I have to have a good reason?

Answer: Ye., All voters in the State of Florida may request a Vote-By-Mail ballot.

3) Why should I vote by mail this year?

Answer: Covid 19 has brought unforeseen challenges to our daily life. We do not know how it will affect our capacity to vote in the primary and general elections. But we can look to Wisconsin's April primary election and learn. 1) Many poll workers are older people, and those people were not able to "man" the polls, so many poll locations were closed on election day; 2) Many who chose to vote by mail said they put their health and safety first; 3) Voter turnout was way down- and this shows the potential consequences of business as usual on election day!

4) What is the most common problem with a VBM ballot?

Answer: Most common problem is that people forget to sign their ballots and/or their envelopes?

5) What will happen if my VBM ballot is rejected? What can I do?

Answer: If a voter is notified that she did not sign a VBM ballot certificate, or that the signature on the certificate does not match the signature on record, the voter may complete and return a Voter Cure Affidavit, with a copy of identification, e.g. driver's license or passport. You can get this form from the SOE, and the deadline to return and submit the form is no later than 5 p.m. on the second day after the election. Failure to follow the instructions may cause your ballot not to be counted. To avoid this problem update, your voter information and update your signature and contact information by July 20.

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