

# Weekly GOP Radio Address: Sen. Marklein on voting

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Hi! This is Senator Howard Marklein, representing the 17th Senate District in southwestern Wisconsin.

In just a few weeks, we will vote.

Or, if you're like me, you already have.

Either way, the November 3, 2020 election day is upon us and it is your civic duty to cast your ballot to elect our next President, Vice President and legislators. Are you ready?

I already returned my Absentee Ballot to the Town of Spring Green for the election. I have routinely voted by Absentee for most elections.

You can still vote by Absentee Ballot if you do not want to vote in person at the polls on Election Day. If you would like to have an absentee ballot mailed to you, your deadline to request the ballot from your municipal clerk is October 29, 2020 at 5 p.m. As of today, your deadline to return the ballot is on election day, November 3, 2020 at 8 p.m. However, there is a court case pending to extend this deadline. But frankly – why wait? Get it in.

Many municipalities have installed drive-by, secure drop boxes to drop-off absentee ballots. Check with your clerk to see if there is one where you live and vote.

You may also vote In-Person Absentee. This is also called Early Voting. In this case, you visit your municipal clerk before November 1, 2020 and fill-out an absentee ballot in their presence and hand it to them. This vote is counted when all of the

absentee ballots are counted on election day, but you do not need to rely on the mail to receive or return it.

Finally, you can vote in person on election day, November 3, 2020. The polls open at 7 a.m. and close at 8 p.m. However, anyone who is in line to vote at 8 p.m. must be allowed to cast a ballot.

Visit [www.myvote.wi.gov](http://www.myvote.wi.gov) to check your voter registration status, request an absentee ballot, upload your ID, view the ballot in your community and learn more about the voting process.

No matter how you decide to vote this year, don't wait until the last minute to check your status, update your records and/or make a plan to cast your ballot. You have plenty of time to research and execute your vote in this very important election.