

840 CMR 7.08 Absentee Ballots

In elections conducted at a polling place members retired from service may vote by absentee ballot and an absentee ballot shall be mailed to each such member with notice of the election pursuant to 840 CMR 7.03. A member in service and a member inactive may, upon timely request, vote by absentee ballot only if he or she:

- (a) will be absent from the city or town where the polling place is located during the hours that it will be open;
- (b) will be unable to cast his or her vote in person on the day of the election for reasons of religious belief; or
- (c) will be unable to cast his or her vote in person at the polling place by reason of medical condition.

Requests for absentee ballots shall be in writing and shall be filed no later than seven business days before the election. Absentee ballots shall be counted only if received by the board no later than the time fixed for the closing of the polls on the day of the election.