6-14/090.00 Voting

Inmates may register to vote using the "California Voter Registration Application" and the "California Vote-By-Mail Ballot Application" forms while incarcerated. Inmates may request the forms by using an Inmate Request Form (SH-J-420).

"CALIFORNIA VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATION" FORM

The completed "California Voter Registration Application," postage-paid, will be mailed by the inmate to the Registrar-Recorder for processing. The "California Voter Registration Application" must be postmarked by the 15th day prior to Election Day. The Registrar-Recorder will make the final determination regarding an inmate's eligibility to vote.

In order to qualify to register, an inmate must be:

- A United States citizen
- Resident of California
- 18 years of age or older on Election Day
- Not currently imprisoned or on parole for the conviction of a felony
- Not currently found to be mentally incompetent by a court of law

"CALIFORNIA VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOT APPLICATION" FORM

Any inmate that has registered to vote, may also complete a "California Vote-By-Mail Ballot Application." The "California Vote-By-Mail Ballot Application" shall be completed by the inmate and mailed, at the inmate's expense, to the Registrar-Recorder.

NOTIFICATION

The Registrar-Recorder will mail "Vote-By-Mail Ballot" to qualified inmates. The "Vote-By-Mail Ballot" shall be completed, sealed by the inmate, and placed in outgoing mail. "Vote-By-Mail Ballots" shall not be reviewed by custody personnel. Unit commanders shall develop unit orders to inform inmates of their right to register to vote and right to vote in local, State, and Federal elections.

Each custody facility shall maintain a supply of "California Voter Registration Application" and "California Vote-By-Mail Ballot Application" forms. These documents can be obtained in quantity, from:

Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk
12400 E. Imperial Hwy. Room 3001
Norwalk, CA 90650
Phone: (562) 462-2362