

## **Legal Reasons for Voting by Absentee Ballot**

1. Absence on election day
2. Incapacity or confinement due to illness or physical disability, including caring for a person who is incapacitated or confined due to illness or disability
3. Religious belief or practice
4. Employment as an election authority or by the election authority (for example, as an election judge) at a location other than your polling place
5. Incarceration, provided all qualifications for voting are retained
6. Certified participation in the address confidentiality program (“Safe at Home”) established under 589.660 to 589.681, RSMo, because of safety concerns

Having contracted COVID-19, or being in an at-risk category for severe COVID-19, no longer qualifies as a legal reason for absentee voting, with the lapse of the law that was only in effect for part of 2020.

**No notarization of the voter signature is required for reason 2.**