Navy Voting Assistance Program

The Navy Voting Assistance Program (NVAP) provides voting assistance to all Department of the Navy personnel and their families around the world.

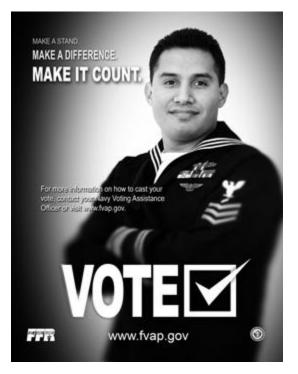
The NVAP ensures that all Navy personnel receive timely and accurate information regarding state and federal elections through all communications means available, 24-hours a day.

Every Navy command has a Unit Voting Assistance Officer (UVAO) and every installation has an Installation Voting Assistance Officer (IVAO). A Navy Voting Action Officer (NVAO) is assigned to manage the NVAP on behalf of the Navy's Senior Service Voting Representative, Commander, Navy Installations Command. Each branch of the military has a similarly structured Voting Assistance Program.

If you have any questions about absentee voting, voter registration, upcoming elections or anything else related to voting, the best place to start is with your command VAO or the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) website. FVAP's website is a one-stop-shop for all things voting related.

Federal Voting Assistance Program: <u>www.fvap.gov</u>

Frequently Asked Questions: www.fvap.gov/fag.html



Registering to Vote Absentee: The easiest way to register is by using FVAP's online wizard through their website. You can also download the SF-76 (below), fill it out and mail it in using the prepaid envelope (below).

Federal Post Card Application - SF 76

www.fvap.gov/resources/media/fpca.pdf

Prepaid Envelope

www.fvap.gov/resources/media/returnenvelope.pdf

Additional Resources:

- Follow 'Navy Voting' on Facebook for the latest voting related news and updates

- <u>www.votesmart.org</u> Provides extensive non-partisan information on elected officials, voting records and candidates' positions; covers federal and state officials

- www.senate.gov Everything you want to know about the U.S. Senate
- www.house.gov Everything you want to know about the U.S. House of Representatives
- www.overseasvotefoundation.org Overseas voter information

Voting Assistance Officers:

As a Voting Assistance Officer, your mission is to ensure that every Sailor, their eligible family members and other eligible personnel are afforded every opportunity to register and vote absentee.

All VAOs need to register on the <u>Voter Information Management System</u> (VIMS). Information needs to be updated regularly and all newly-assigned VAOs must register.

All VAOs are required to complete the mandatory VAO training and should become thoroughly familiar with the VAO-specific information found on the FVAP website: <u>http://www.fvap.gov/vao/index.html</u>.

Instructions and Directives Navy Voting Assistance Program OPNAV INSTRUCTION 1742.1B

Department of Defense Instruction 1000.04 dtd 13 September 2012: Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP)

Voting Information for Recruiters: http://www.fvap.gov/reference/milinfo.html

Please contact the Navy Voting Action Officer with any questions or comments.

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