

Electoral (Special and Postal Voting) Regulations, 2013

IT is hereby notified that the Zimbabwe Electoral Commission, in terms of section 192 of the Electoral Act [*Chapter 2:13*], has, with the approval of the Minister, made the following regulations:—

Title

1. These regulations may be cited as the Electoral (Special and Postal Voting) Regulations, 2013.

Interpretation

2. In these regulations—

“form” means the appropriate form set out in the Schedule.

Forms for special vote

3. (1) The application by a member of the disciplined forces or an electoral officer for a special ballot paper in terms of section 81C of the Electoral Act will be in form SV. 1 for Presidential, National Assembly and local authority elections.

(2) The authorisation to cast a special vote in terms of section 81 D(1) of the Electoral Act will be in Form SV. 2.

(3) The notification of refusal of authorisation to cast a special vote in terms of section 81 D(4) of the Electoral Act will be in Form SV. 3.

Forms for postal vote

4. (1) The application form for a postal ballot paper in terms of section 73 of the Electoral Act [*Chapter 2:13*], will be in form PV. 1 for Presidential, National Assembly and local authority elections.

(2) The letter from the applicant’s head of Ministry, head of department or head of station or the head of Zimbabwe’s Embassy or diplomatic or consular mission in the foreign State where the applicant is employed shall be in form PV. 2.

(3) The postal ballot paper envelope referred to in section 74(1)(c) of the Act will be in form PV. 3.

(4) The notification of rejection of application for a postal vote will be in form PV. 4.

Deletion from rolls of postal and special voters

5. The Chief Elections Officer must ensure that the voters roll supplied to each ward centre for the purposes of the ordinary election has a line drawn through every voter in the ward who has been authorised to cast a postal vote or special vote and will inscribe opposite that person's name the letters "P.V." or "S.V." as the case may be.

Applicant for special vote to specify special polling station where they will cast their vote

6. (1) An applicant for a special vote must specify the special polling station where he or she intends to cast his or her vote.

(2) If the Commission is satisfied that an applicant is entitled to cast a special vote, the Chief Elections Officer shall transmit the necessary ballot papers to the special polling station indicated by the applicant.

Repeals

7. The following provisions of the Electoral Regulations, 2005, published in Statutory Instrument 21 of 2005, are repealed—

- (a) section 3(13), (14) and (15);
- (b) Forms V. 12, V. 13 and V. 14.

SCHEDULE (Section 2)
FORMS FOR SPECIAL VOTE

FORM SV.1

SPECIAL VOTE APPLICATION FORM

Electoral Act [Chapter 2:13] (Section 81C)

(For electoral officers and members of disciplined forces only)

NB: Read instructions overleaf before completing this form.

SECTION A (Applicant's details)

I, , I.D. No.: E.C. No.:
(Full names in block letters)

stationed at *(full address)*,

hereby apply for authorisation to cast a special vote at special polling
station in District in the forthcoming election.

DISCIPLINED FORCES : ZRP ZNA AFZ ZPS

ELECTORAL OFFICER :

SEX: Female Male

(Tick applicable)

I,, declare that the information given above is true and correct.

Signature: Date: Place:

SECTION B (Certifying Officer)

I certify that the above named officer who has signed this application before me will be away
on election duty/security duty on the ordinary polling day *(delete inapplicable)*.

Full Names: Rank: Appointment:

Signature: Date:

SECTION C (Authentication by designated officer)

Checked by: Signature:



Date and Official Stamp

SECTION D (For Office Use)

Accepted		Rejected	
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Reasons for rejection

- 1. Not on voters' roll
- 2. Late submission
- 3. Incomplete documentation

(See instructions overleaf)

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE VOTER

Read these instructions carefully before you begin to fill in the application for a special vote.

1. A voter may apply for a special vote when he or she is unable to vote in his or her ward by reason of being on duty as a member of a disciplined force or as an electoral officer outside his or her ward on the ordinary polling day.
2. This application form for a special vote must be certified by the Officer Commanding/Commanding Officer, the Chief Elections Officer or any other designated officer.
3. Before certifying the form, the certifying officer must—
 - (a) satisfy himself or herself as to the identity of the applicant; and
 - (b) witness the applicant signing the application in his or her own handwriting; and
 - (c) have knowledge that the statements contained in the application are true or have satisfied himself or herself by inquiring from the applicant or otherwise, that such statements are true.
4. You must specify the special polling station at which you will cast your special vote as it is the only polling station where you may vote. (*A list of the district stations and sub-district polling stations and their locations will be attached to this application form*)

Note: This application form must be accompanied by a certified copy of the applicant's National I.D. or the valid passport of the applicant.

NOTICE OF AUTHORISATION TO CAST A SPECIAL VOTE

Electoral Act [*Chapter 2:13*] (Section 81 D(1))

This is to certify that I.D. No.:
(*Name of voter*)

Registered as a voter in:

Ward Number	<input type="text"/>
Local Authority	<input type="text"/>
Constituency	<input type="text"/>
District	<input type="text"/>
Province	<input type="text"/>

is hereby authorised to cast a special vote in respect of the Presidential, National Assembly and local authority elections.

The voter is notified that voting will take place from **0700 hrs to 1900 hrs** onand on theat special polling station inDistrict.
(*dates of poll*)

Issued by: I.D. No.:
(*Full names*)

Signature Date

Checked by: I.D. No.:
(*Full names*)

Signature: Date:
(*For Chief Elections Officer*)



Official Date Stamp

Note: This certificate of authorisation must be presented to the District Special Vote Officer with proof of identity (National I.D. or Valid Passport) on one of the Special Vote polling days.

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FORM SV. 3

NOTIFICATION OF REJECTION OF SPECIAL VOTE APPLICATION

Electoral Act [*Chapter 2:13*] (Section 81 D(4))

To: I.D. No.:
(*Name of applicant*)

You are hereby advised that your application for a special vote was rejected due to the following reason(s):

- 1. Not on voters roll
- 2. Late submission of application
- 3. Insufficient documentation

Note: Although you may not cast a special vote, you may still cast your vote by personally presenting yourself at a polling station in your ward on the ordinary polling day.

Issued by: I.D. No.:
(*Full names*)

Signature: Date:

Checked by: I.D. No.:
(*Full names*)

Signature: Date:

(*For Chief Elections Officer*)



Official Date Stamp

APPLICATION FOR A POSTAL BALLOT

Section 73 of the Electoral Act [*Chapter 2:13*]

To: The Chief Elections Officer,
Private Bag 7782,
Causeway,
Harare.

NB: Read instructions overleaf before completing this form.

SECTION A

Form for applicant

Your full names in block letters	
Your National Identity Number	
The place where you are on Government service outside Zimbabwe	
To which address do you want your postal ballot paper(s) to be dispatched if you are successful in this application?	

I declare that the answers given to the questions are true and correct and that I am applying for a postal vote because I will be unable to vote at a polling station in my ward and constituency as I will be outside Zimbabwe on duty in the service of the Government of Zimbabwe.

I have attached to this application a certified copy of my national registration certificate.

Signature of applicant:

Date when signed:

Place where signed:

Signature of witness:

(See instructions overleaf)

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INSTRUCTIONS TO THE VOTER

Read these instructions carefully before you begin to fill in the application for a postal vote.

1. A voter may apply for a postal ballot paper when he or she is unable to vote in his or her ward by reason of being:
 - (a) absent from Zimbabwe in the service of the Government of Zimbabwe;
 - (b) a spouse of a person referred to in paragraph (a).
2. The application must be accompanied by a letter from—
 - (a) the applicant's head of Ministry, head of department or head of station;
or
 - (b) the head of Zimbabwe's Embassy or diplomatic or consular mission in the foreign country in which the applicant is employed.

Note: *This application form must be accompanied by a certified copy of your National I.D. or the valid passport of the applicant.*

FORM PV. 2

**FORM OF SUPPORTING LETTER TO ACCOMPANY APPLICATION
FOR POSTAL BALLOTS**

The application must be accompanied by a letter from:

- (a) the applicant’s head of Ministry, head of department or head of station;
or
- (b) the head of Zimbabwe’s Embassy or diplomatic or consular mission in
the foreign country in which the applicant is employed.

Person supplying letter	
Full names	
National Identity Number	
Post held	
Address	
Email address	
Details of applicant	
Applicant’s names	
Capacity in which applicant is employed by Government	
Declaration by person supplying letter	
<p>I do hereby declare that the details contained in this application are correct and that the applicant is the person who is seeking a postal vote.</p> <p>Signed:</p> <p>Date:.....</p>	

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FORM PV. 3

BALLOT PAPER ENVELOPE FOR POSTAL VOTE

Section 74(1)(c) of the Electoral Act [Chapter 2:13]

This envelope will have on the outside the following details of the voter:

Name	
National Identity Number	
Ward	
Constituency	

FORM PV. 4

REJECTION OF APPLICATION TO CAST BALLOTS BY POSTAL VOTE

Electoral Act [Chapter 2:13]

To: I.D. No.:
(Name of applicant)

You are hereby advised that your application for a special vote was rejected due to the following reason(s):

1. Not on voters roll
2. Late submission of application
3. Insufficient documentation
4. Not qualified for Postal Vote

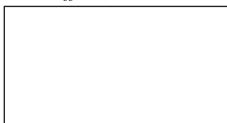
Note: Although you may not vote by post you may still cast your vote by personally presenting yourself at a polling station in your ward on the ordinary polling day.

Issued by: I.D. No.:
(Full names)

Signature: Date:

Checked by: I.D. No.:
(Full names)

Signature: Date:
(For Chief Elections Officer)



Official Date Stamp