

PROVISIONAL BALLOT

You may apply for and be issued a provisional ballot if you:

- (a) Appear at the polling place and declare that you are a voter in the municipality, and you are eligible to vote in the primary or election for federal office in the polling place, **but your name does not appear on the official registry list for the polling place; and**
- (b) The Registrars determine that **your name cannot be restored to the voting list** under section 9-42 or transferred from another polling place under section 9-35 of the Connecticut general statutes; or
- (c) The Moderator decides that your name appears on the registry list and **you have been challenged** pursuant to sections 9-232 to 9-232(f), inclusive, of the general statutes are not eligible to vote in the primary or election for federal office; or
- (d) Any **first-time voter** required to produce identification, **who is unable to do so; and**
- (e) **Individuals who vote after the polls close in an election for federal office as a result of a federal or state court order, or any other order extending the time established for closing the polls by a state law in effect 10 days before the date of that election.**

You may apply for and cast a provisional ballot upon the execution of a written affirmation at the polling place affirming that you are qualified to vote in the election or primary for federal office in the polling place; and you have neither offered yourself to vote nor voted in person or by absentee ballot at said election or primary for federal office at the polling place.

Such application for provisional ballot shall be one prescribed by the Secretary of the State, executed before an election official and include a written affirmation, under penalty of false statement in absentee balloting pursuant to section 9-359a of the general statutes.

In order to **Vote By Absentee Ballot**, as a first-time voter who is required to present identification, you must submit with your ballot **in the outer envelope only—(Note: do not include the information in the same envelope with your ballot as your ballot will be rejected):**

- A copy of a current and valid photo identification; or
- A copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or other government document that shows your name and address.

If, as a **first-time voter**, you do not meet the above-listed requirements, your **absentee ballot** will be counted as a **provisional ballot** in accordance with Sec. 302(a) of the *Help America Vote Act of 2002*.

In accordance with the *Help America Vote Act of 2002*, Section 302, and the *Connecticut General Statutes (CGS) as amended in 2003*, the use of provisional ballots shall be implemented in primaries and elections for federal offices held on or after January 1, 2004. Said provisional ballots shall be issued in accordance with the circumstances outlined above.