

ORDINANCE NO. 758

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF EASTON AMENDING SECTION 2-47  
OF THE TOWN OF EASTON CODE REGARDING ABSENTEE BALLOT  
PROVISIONS

INTRODUCED BY: Mr. Silverstein

WHEREAS, Section 2-47 of the Town of Easton Code contains provisions regarding absentee ballots; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council wishes to revise the existing absentee ballot provisions.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Town of Easton that:

Section 1. The recitals set forth above are incorporated herein by reference and made a part of this Ordinance.

Section 2. Section 2-47 of the Town of Easton Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

**Section 2-47. Absentee ballot provisions.** ~~A person who is otherwise qualified to vote in the Town of Easton and who may be absent for any reason from the Town on any election day, or is unable to vote due to illness, disability, or emergency reason,~~ **Any qualified voter of the Town of Easton** may vote by absentee ballot **rather than in person**. The procedure for absentee balloting in the Town of Easton shall be that procedure described for absentee voting in the state election code, except as follows:

(a) The instructions for the casting of absentee ballots shall be prescribed by the Supervisor of Elections.

(b) The Supervisor of Elections shall prescribe the size, form, and content of the absentee ballot, material envelopes, providing for a covering envelope, a ballot envelope, and a return envelope.

(c) Absentee ballots shall be counted, certified, and canvassed in accordance with the provisions of this article.

**(d) An application for an absentee ballot shall be submitted to the Town Clerk no later than the Tuesday preceding the election.**

***(e) Completed absentee ballots must be received by the Town by mail or in person by 8:00 p.m. on election day in order to be counted.***

(Ordinance 758 effective April 4, 2021, historical reference 615)

Language to be deleted is shown in ~~strikethrough~~ text  
Language to be added is shown in ***bold italics***

Section 3. In accordance with Article II Section 9 of the Easton Town Charter, this ordinance shall become effective twenty (20) calendar days after approval by the Mayor or passage of this ordinance by the Council over the Mayor's veto.

Silverstein	-	Yea
Abbatiello	-	Yea
Engle	-	Yea
Davis	-	Yea
Cook	-	Yea

I hereby certify that the above Ordinance was passed by a yea and nay vote of the Council this fifteenth day of March, 2021.

  
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Megan J. M. Cook, Town Council President

Delivered to the Mayor by me this 15th day of March, 2021.

  
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Kathy M. Ruf, Town Clerk

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APPROVED: March 15, 2021  
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Date: March 15, 2021

Robert C. Willey  
Robert C. Willey, Mayor

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 4, 2021.