overseas voters are a class of absent voters with additional protections under federal law. Upon receiving an FPCA (or a regular AV application with a military or overseas address), clerks must issue a MOVE ballot to each voter either by mail or email, per voter request. Refer to Chapter 7 of the Election Officials Manual and the Military and Overseas Voter Manual for more specific guidance.

Permanent AV application list (Perm AV)

Prior to 2024, it was a best practice to maintain a Permanent AV Application List that voters could request to join. Voters on the Permanent AV Application List were sent an AV application by the clerk prior to each election.

- Permanent AV Application lists are stored and updated within QVF.
- You should mail AV applications to Perm AV voters 70 to 65 days before the election. Approximately one week before mailing applications, you may wish to e-mail voters who have an e-mail address on file a link to the online AV application portal at Michigan.gov/Vote. Voters who have applied for an AV ballot online do not need to be sent an application, so this may cut down on mailing costs.
- If you decide not to send an e-mail before mailing applications, you
 may wish to send applications 75 days before the election.

Permanent AV application list phase-out and transition

As a result of the implementing legislation for Proposal 2022-2, and the creation of Permanent Mail Ballot Lists, MCL 168.759g requires the Bureau to instruct clerks to discontinue Permanent AV Application Lists. Perm AV lists will be maintained in QVF through the end of 2024 to allow for voter education on the transition. Voters on the Perm AV list should still be mailed AV applications before each election, on which they can request to instead join the Permanent Mail Ballot List. If they do not choose this, they will fall off of the list when it is discontinued, and they must instead request an AV ballot application before each election or apply online at www.Michigan.gov/Vote.

This may be a preferable option for voters who frequently use AV applications to provide **alternate** addresses to mail ballots, such as snowbirds or college students.

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