

## **\*\*\*REQUESTING AN ABSENTEE BALLOT\*\*\***

Applications for Absentee Ballots for the November 7, 2023 State Referendum Election and the Annual Municipal Election are now available. Absentee Ballots will be available the week of October 10, 2023.

To request an Absentee Ballot, you can stop by the Clerk's Office at Rockland City Hall, 270 Pleasant Street, and fill out an application for yourself and/or an immediate family member, you can call the Clerk's Office at (207) 594-0304 and request a ballot over the phone by speaking directly with office staff (**Email and Voice Mail requests for Absentee Ballots are not allowed under Maine law**), or you can go to the State of Maine website ([www.maine.gov](http://www.maine.gov)) and visit the Absentee Ballot Request Service.

The deadline for requesting an Absentee Ballot will be Thursday, November 2, 2023. After that date, only voters with one of the following Special Circumstances may obtain an absentee ballot:

- **YOU WILL BE ABSENT FROM THE CITY UNEXPECTEDLY DURING THE ENTIRE TIME THAT THE POLLS ARE OPEN ON NOVEMBER 7, 2023 (8:00 AM TO 8:00 PM).**
- **YOU ARE UNABLE TO VOTE AT THE POLLS BECAUSE OF A PHYSICAL DISABILITY.**
- **YOU ARE UNABLE TO LEAVE HOME OR A TREATMENT FACILITY DUE TO ILLNESS OR INFIRMITY.**
- **YOU ARE A RESIDENT OF AN ISLAND WARD OR PRECINCT AND ARE UNABLE TO TRAVEL TO THE POLLS.**

All Absentee Ballots must be returned to the Clerk's Office no later than 8:00 p.m. on Election Day, November 7, 2023.