117A.060 Application by covered voter -- Declaration -- Informing election official that voter is covered.

- (1) A covered voter who is registered to vote in the Commonwealth of Kentucky may apply for a military-overseas ballot using either the regular absentee ballot application in use in the voter's jurisdiction under KRS 117.085, or the federal postcard application, or the application's electronic equivalent.
- (2) A covered voter who is not registered to vote in the Commonwealth of Kentucky may use a federal postcard application, or the application's electronic equivalent, to apply simultaneously to register to vote under KRS 117A.050, and for a military-overseas ballot.
- (3) The State Board of Elections shall ensure that the electronic transmission system described in KRS 117A.030(4) is capable of accepting the submission of both a federal postcard application and any other approved electronic military-overseas ballot application sent to the appropriate election official. The covered voter may use the electronic transmission system or any other approved method to apply for a military-overseas ballot.
- (4) A covered voter may use the declaration accompanying a federal write-in absentee ballot as an application for a military-overseas ballot simultaneously with the submission of the federal write-in absentee ballot, if the declaration is received by the appropriate election official by the close of business hours seven (7) days before the election.
- (5) To receive the benefits of this chapter, a covered voter shall inform the appropriate election official that the voter is a covered voter. Methods of informing the appropriate election official that a voter is a covered voter include:
 - (a) The use of a federal postcard application or federal write-in absentee ballot;
 - (b) The use of the electronic transmission system established under KRS 117A.030(4).
- (6) This chapter does not preclude a covered voter from voting using the regular absentee ballot provisions under KRS 117.077, 117.085, and 117.086.

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