## Absentee Ballots

## **Elections and Primaries**

Any qualified registered voter may apply for an absentee ballot for one of the following reasons:

- Illness or physical disability.
- Absence from town during open hours of polling place.
- Religious beliefs forbidding secular activity on Election Day.
- Serving as an election official at a polling place other than your own.
- Active service in the Armed Forces.

This application for Absentee Ballot may be downloaded by an individual for:

- 1. The individual's own use;
- 2. The use of a member of the individual's family; or
- 3. The use of a designee of the applicant.

If you have a permanent disability, you may be eligible to apply for a **Permanent Absentee Ballot**. Contact the Town Clerk on 203-393-2100 X106 for details.

NOTE: Any person who will distribute five (5) or more absentee ballot applications to persons other than the individual's immediate family must register with and obtain forms from the Town Clerk of the municipality where such forms will be distributed before distributing such forms.

## Download an Absentee Ballot Application:

General Election – English Language Version:

http://www.sots.ct.gov/sots/lib/sots/electionservices/electforms/electforms/aabeng.pdf

General Election – Spanish Language Version:

http://www.sots.ct.gov/sots/lib/sots/electionservices/electforms/electforms/aabspan.pdf

Absentee Ballot Fact Sheet:

http://www.sots.ct.gov/sots/LIB/sots/ElectionServices/Misc/ABchartwarningREV9 051.pdf

Public Act 05-235 Act Concerning Voting

http://www.sots.ct.gov/sots/LIB/sots/ElectionServices/Misc/HB\_6669\_LetterToTC.pdf

Absentee Ballot applications may be faxed to the Town Clerk's Office on 203-393-0821 but the original signed application must be sent by mail in order for the ballot to be counted.

Mail completed application to:

Bethany Town Clerk 40 Peck Road Bethany CT 06524

## Referendum

Registered voters who own taxable property in Bethany assessed at \$1,000 or more on the October 1<sup>st</sup> Grand List are eligible to vote in a referendum. <u>Ballots will not be mailed for a referendum that is set to be held with less than three weeks (3) notice.</u> In this case, the Absentee Ballot applicant must appear in-person in the Office of the Town Clerk, complete the Absentee Ballot application and then complete the ballot.