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National Voter Registration Act - 1993 .

The National Voter Registration Act (NVRA) Requires Each state and the Secretary of Defense:

"...shall jointly develop and implement procedures for persons to apply to register to vote at recruitment offices of the Armed Forces of the United States."

The NVRA designates Armed Forces recruitment offices as voter registration agencies. The Director of the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) carries out this responsibility on behalf of the Secretary of Defense.

In coordination with all the States:

- FVAP Director developed Department of Defense policy and internal implementing procedures
- States accept only the national Mail Voter Registration
 Application form (DD 2644) from Recruitment Office personnel
- Recruitment office personnel send completed Mail Voter Registration Application forms to one state contact
- Recruitment office personnel maintains for 24 months the Mail Voter Registration Information form (DD 2645) required by law
- Recruitment office personnel maintains records
- FVAP Director compiles and reports statistics and information to the Federal Election Commission for the Congressional Report
- FVAP places all materials in recruitment offices at no cost to the State
- Ombudsman Service 1-800-438-8683 (VOTE) for recruitment personnel and state and local government officials