Application to vote by proxy due to employment

How do I apply to vote by proxy?

1. You must ask someone if they are willing and able to be your proxy and vote on your behalf. Please note that a person can only be the proxy for close relatives and up to two other people at the same election.
2. Fill in the proxy vote application form. You must give a reason why you want to vote by proxy. You must get someone to support your application. You can find out who can do this below.
3. Make sure **you** complete all sections of the form and supply your date of birth and signature.
4. Return your form as soon as possible to the address shown below.

Middlesbrough Borough Council
Electoral Registration Officer
P.O. Box 503
Town Hall
Middlesbrough
TS1 9FX

Please **do not** return your form to the Electoral Commission. **Please note:** your application form must arrive at your electoral registration office by 5pm **11 working days** before an election when changing or cancelling an existing proxy, postal or postal proxy vote and by 5pm **6 working days** before an election when applying for a new proxy vote.

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Voting by proxy

If you cannot vote at an election in person, you can apply to vote by proxy (someone else voting on your behalf). You can use this form to apply to vote by proxy if your employment or your spouse or civil partner's employment means that you cannot vote in person.

Who can support my application?

- if you have an employer, your employer or another authorised person at your workplace
- if you are self-employed, a person who is aged 18 years or over, who knows you and is not related to you

What happens after I've returned this form?

- Your proxy must go to **your** local polling station to vote. If your proxy cannot get to the polling station, they can apply to vote for you by post. They can apply to do this up to **11** working days before election day. They should contact the electoral registration office for more details.
- Your proxy will be sent a proxy poll card, telling them where and when to vote on your behalf.
- You should let your proxy know how you want them to vote on your behalf, for example, which candidate or which party.
- If it turns out that you are able to go to the polling station on election day, you can vote in person as long as your proxy has not already done so and has not applied to vote for you by post.
- You will need to give your date of birth and signature on this application form. This information is needed to prevent fraud.
  If you are unable to sign this form, please contact your Electoral Registration Officer.

Voting as proxy

A person can only be a proxy for close relatives and up to two other people at an election.

Close relatives are the spouse, civil partner, parent, grandparent, brother, sister, child or grandchild of the applicant.

The proxy must be eligible to vote.

More information

If you have any questions about voting by proxy, go to **www.aboutmyvote.co.uk** or contact your electoral registration office.

In England and Wales, the electoral registration office is based at your local council. In Scotland, it may be a separate office.

For contact details, go to **www.aboutmyvote.co.uk**

This form does not apply in Northern Ireland. Visit **www.eoni.org.uk** for more information.

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Only one person can apply to vote by proxy using this form. Write in black ink and use **BLOCK LETTERS**. When you have filled in every section and signed the form yourself, send it to your local electoral registration office. You can get the address at **www.aboutmyvote.co.uk**

1 About you

Surname

First names (in full)

Your current full address
(where you are registered to vote)

Postcode

Daytime telephone or mobile number (optional)

E-mail address (optional)

2 About your proxy

Full name

Relationship to you (if any)

Full address

Postcode

3 How long do you want a proxy vote for?

I want to vote by proxy at all elections
(tick one box only):

☐ until further notice (permanent proxy vote)

☐ for the period

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to D D M M Y Y Y Y

4 Why do you want a proxy vote?

Please fill in section A if you have an employer or B if you are self-employed.

A. Employed

I am/my spouse or civil partner is employed by (give employer's name and address):

As (give job title):

I am not able to go to the polling station on election day because:

B. Self-employed

I am / my spouse or civil partner is self-employed as (give job title):

I am not able to go to the polling station on election day because:

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5 Support for this application

Read the notes to see who can support your application. Please ask the person who supports your application to give their name, address and position.

Supporter's full name

Supporter's address

Postcode

Supporter's position

6 Supporter's declaration, signature and date

To the best of my knowledge and belief, the applicant's statement above is true.

Signature

Date D D M M Y Y Y Y

7 Your date of birth and declaration

Declaration: As far as I know, the details on this form are true and accurate. I understand that to provide false information on this form is an offence, punishable on conviction by imprisonment of up to 2 years and/or a fine.

I have asked the person I have named as my proxy and confirm that he/she is willing and able to be appointed to vote on my behalf.

Date of birth: Please write your date of birth 'DD MM YYYY' in the black boxes below, **using black ink**.

Signature: Sign below, keeping within the grey border.

If you are unable to sign this form, please contact your Electoral Registration Officer.

8 Date of application

Today's date D D M M Y Y Y Y