



**DIRECTIVE 2018-13**

May 31, 2018

To: Delaware, Franklin, Licking, Marion, Morrow, Muskingum, and Richland County Boards of Elections  
Directors, Deputy Directors, and Members

Re: Ballot for August 7, 2018 Special Congressional General Election

**SUMMARY**

This Directive provides the certified form of the Official Ballot to be used in the August 7, 2018 Special Congressional General Election in Ohio's 12<sup>th</sup> Congressional District.

**INSTRUCTIONS**

Each board of elections must use the certified form of the Official Ballot attached to this Directive. Please note that, in lieu of issuing a separate Directive with specific details covering ballot layout, proofing, and quantities, the Secretary of State's Office is issuing only this Directive, which must be used in conjunction with Directive 2016-22, [Chapter 4 \(Ballots\) of the Election Official Manual](#) when preparing ballots for this election. [Chapter 4](#) provides specific instructions on the following subjects:

- Ballot format;
- Voter instructions;
- Ballot stubs;
- Candidate ballots (names, restrictions, political party, rotation, etc.);
- Ballot proofs;
- Bid requirements;
- Ballot quantities;
- Logic and accuracy testing; and
- Public test.

Each board of elections must have absentee ballots printed and ready for use 45 days before the election (June 23, 2018) for Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA) voters, and by July 10, 2018 for regular, non-UOCAVA absentee voters.

A copy of each absentee ballot must be sent to the Secretary of State's Office at least 46 days before the election (June 22, 2018). Please send to Serena Henderson at: [shenders@ohiosecretaryofstate.gov](mailto:shenders@ohiosecretaryofstate.gov).

If you have any questions regarding this Directive or the form of the ballot, please contact the Secretary of State's elections counsel assigned to your county at (614) 466-2585.

Sincerely,

  
Jon Husted