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## GUIDELINES ON THE PROCESS OF INACTIVATION AND CANCELLATION OF REGISTERED VOTERS – Jan. , 2011 #A01-11

*Pursuant to the National Voter Registration Act (NVRA) and 13-2-220, MCA*

Notices must be sent by county election administrators in every odd year to **active electors** who did not vote in the previous even-year federal general election.

**NOTE:** Inactive electors may still vote in any election by appearing to vote, by requesting an absentee ballot, or by notifying the county election administrator in writing of the elector's current residence in that county.

- An elector who requested an absentee ballot, but **did not return the voted ballot**, is not subject to the NVRA process described in this advisory.
- An elector whose absentee ballot was returned as **undeliverable, and did not resolve the address**, is subject to the NVRA process described in this advisory.

### Procedures for 2010-2011

After the 2010 federal general election, election administrators cancel all **2006 inactive electors** and flag all active electors who did not vote in the 2010 federal general election.

Election administrators send a first confirmation notice to all active electors flagged for not voting in the 2010 federal general election. A second confirmation notice is sent to all electors who do not respond to the first mailing. The second confirmation notice must include prepaid return postage. All electors who do not respond within 30 days to this final address confirmation notice are moved to the inactive list.

Training on how the NVRA process works in MT Votes can be accessed at <http://sos.mt.gov/Elections/Officials/index.asp>.

**NVRA forms can be found at:** <http://sos.mt.gov/Elections/Officials/Forms/index.asp#NVRA>  
(sent via e-mail and facsimile)