

FAQ #7

**PERSONS WHO ARE OVERSEAS OR IN THE
MILITARY CAN USE THE “FEDERAL POST CARD
APPLICATION” (FPCA) TO REGISTER TO VOTE
AND OBTAIN AN ABSENTEE BALLOT. IS THIS
REGISTRATION AND ABSENTEE APPLICATION
ONLY GOOD FOR ONE ELECTION?**

NO. The registration and request for an absentee ballot is good for more than one election. See CCRoV #05013 (you can find this on our web site at http://www.ss.ca.gov/elections/hava_county_faq.htm).

Section 704 of HAVA specifically amended Section 104(a) of the Uniformed Overseas Citizen and Absent Voter Act (UOCAVA) to indicate that a FPCA is good “through the next two regularly scheduled general elections for federal office (including any run-off elections which may occur as a result of the outcome of such general elections).” It further states that the state “shall provide an absentee ballot to the voter for each such subsequent election.”

In sum, if a county received a FPCA for the November 2004 general election, the voter is registered and must be sent an absentee ballot for that election, the 2006 primary election, and for the 2006 general election.