

Comments on Secretary of State Rule 7.7
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During each election in El Paso County, we have voters who return their mail ballot without a signature. As Secretary of State Rule 7.7.1 requires, the voter is sent a missing signature letter with affidavit. While we receive many of the signed affidavits back, unfortunately, many times the voter does not include a copy of the ID as is required by this Rule.

The suggested change to Rule 7.7 would permit a ballot to count under certain circumstances when a valid form of ID is not included with the completed affidavit as outlined below.

- The Missing Signature Affidavit is completed and signed
- It is returned within eight days after election day
- The ballot is otherwise valid
- The signature on the Missing Signature Affidavit matches the signature on file and passes the signature verification process