

The Easy Guide to Voting on Reserve

Step One - Register to vote

You can register on line at <https://ereg.elections.ca> or register by mail using the form on page four of this document. You can also call Elections Canada at 1-800-463-6868 for the mail-in form.

Step Two - get your voter registration card in the mail

If you do not get a voter registration card, call Elections Canada at 1-800-463-6868 Or go to the polling station and register when you vote. You will need to prove your identity, which may include providing a letter from the Band identifying you as living on reserve.

Step Three - Vote! There are three ways you can vote

1. On Election Day

If you have a voter information card, take it with you when you go to vote at the polling station at the address shown on the card.

If you don't have a voter information card, and you didn't register earlier, you can still register to vote at the polling station on Election Day by proving your identity and address, as described above. For your poll location, call Elections Canada at 1-800-463-6868.

2. At an advance poll

If you don't wish to vote on Election Day, you can vote earlier at an advance poll. The voter information card tells you the dates and address. Take it with you to the polling station. If you need to, you can also register at the advance poll.

Special note:

If you have poor health with good days and bad days or if you have mobility difficulties or simply can't stand in line, we strongly recommend that you vote at the advance polls.

3. By special ballot

You can vote by special ballot if you can't go to your polling station to vote (either on election day or at the advance polls) or for any other reason. You can get a special ballot registration form from your local Elections Canada office or from the Elections Canada Web site (www.elections.ca), or by calling Elections Canada. If you want to vote by special ballot, apply early. The last day to request a special ballot is 6:00 p.m. on the sixth day before Election Day.

At the Voting Place

Show one piece of government-issued ID

It must have your photo, name and current address.

Examples:

- driver's license
- BCID card
- any other government card with your photo, name and current address

Or show two pieces of identification:

One with your name and another with your name and address

Name Only	Name and Address
<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Indian status card✓ care card✓ debit card✓ label on a prescription container✓ Metis identification card	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ bank or credit union statement✓ utility bill (e.g. electricity; water; telephone, cable or satellite)✓ government statement of benefits, cheque or cheque stub✓ Letter of Confirmation of residence from a First Nations band or reserve

I don't have ID with an address on it.

Complete a Letter of Confirmation and use it with your identification that has your name only.

What is a Letter of Confirmation of residence? How can I get one?

This letter is a piece of ID you can use to prove your address, if one of these living situations applies to you:

- you live on a First Nations reserve
- you are a student living on campus
- you live in a seniors' residence, long-term care facility or shelter

You can get this letter from the administrator of a First Nations band or reserve, an Inuit local authority, a student residence, seniors' residence or long-term care facility.

You will find an example on page three. This can be modified to include the name and address of the issuing authority and may include the name of the person being issued the letter.

Letter of Confirmation of Residence

For electors whose situation, permanent or temporary, prevents them from producing a proof of residence

I hereby confirm that the person named below:

(First name and last name of elector)

(Elector's signature^{})*

is resident or receives services at:

*(Full name and address of **facility)*

Full name, title, address and telephone number of administrator:

(Signature of facility administrator)

(Date)

Any person who willfully applies, except as authorized by the *Canada Elections Act*, to be included on a list of electors for a polling division in which the person is not ordinarily resident commits an offence under the *Canada Elections Act*.

Note to the elector:

You may use this document, once completed, as proof of ordinary residence for the purpose of registering on the federal list of electors and voting. You will still be required to provide a second document authorized by the Chief Electoral Officer showing your name.

^{*}Elector signature is required when the elector is registering only. If the elector presents a *Letter of Confirmation of Residence* for the purpose of voting, the elector does not have to sign.

^{**}The word "facility" designates places that issue a *Letter of Confirmation of Residence* as a piece of identification proving residence authorized by the Chief Electoral Officer: a First Nations band or reserve or Inuit local authority, designated shelters, soup kitchens, student/seniors' residences and long-term care facilities.

NATIONAL REGISTER OF ELECTORS



Registration Request

For office use only

ED No.:	PD No.:	NROE No.:	File No.:	Verified:
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1. Personal information and home address

Last name	<input type="checkbox"/> Male	<input type="checkbox"/> Female
_____	Date of birth	Home telephone (optional)
First name	Y Y Y Y M M D D	_____

Middle name(s)		

Number and street	Apartment or unit	
_____	_____	
City, town, village or municipality	Province or territory	Postal code
_____	_____	_____

2. Mailing address – check if same as above

Number and street or post office box	Apartment or unit
_____	_____
City, town, village or municipality	Province or territory
_____	_____
	Postal code

3. Proof of identity

You must include a photocopy (not the original) of an identification document. If some of the information is on the back of the document, be sure to photocopy both sides. **A suitable proof of identity is any current official document showing your name, address and signature (e.g. driver's licence).**

If you do not have one document with this information, you can send photocopies of two current official documents:

- one showing your name and address (e.g. **telephone bill**); and
- one showing your name and signature (e.g. **health card** or **library card**).

4. Declaration

I certify that I am a Canadian citizen, that I am at least 18 years old and that the information provided on this form is accurate.

Signature

Date

5. Return this form

By mail: National Register of Electors, Elections Canada,
30 Victoria Street, Gatineau, Quebec K1A 0M6

OR

By fax: 1-800-267-8083

For more information, visit www.elections.ca or call **1-800-463-6868**.

TTY 1-800-361-8935 for persons who are deaf or hard of hearing

Pursuant to the *Canada Elections Act*, the personal information supplied on this form will be used to register you to vote and to determine the electoral district in which your vote will be counted. The Act allows for the electoral lists produced from the National Register of Electors to be shared with provincial and territorial electoral agencies for establishing their lists of electors. The Act also allows electoral lists, without date of birth information, to be shared with members of Parliament, political parties and candidates. You have a right to access your protected personal information under the *Privacy Act* and the *Canada Elections Act*. The information is retained under personal information bank number **CEO PPU 037**, which is registered with the Government of Canada at www.infosource.gc.ca.