Senate nominee and referendum voter information

Senate nominee and referendum vote

The Senate nominee election and referendum vote will be held on October 18, 2021. Your community will be voting by special (mail-in) ballots.

Am I eligible to vote by special ballot?

You are receiving this information sheet because you reside in a community where voting will be conducted by special ballot through Alberta Municipal Affairs, as listed in Ministerial Order Nos. MSD:066/21 and MSD:085/21, are a Canadian citizen, and are at least 18 years of age or older. You will be required to provide a copy of any identification listed on the Notice of Election and Identification Requirements on the reverse.

How do I request a special ballot?

Contact the returning officer, Kevin Miller, toll free at 310-1111, then 780-422-1209 or by email to <u>ma.returningofficer@gov.ab.ca</u>. You will need to provide your full name, your residential address, the mailing address where you would like your special ballot to be delivered (if different), your phone number, and your email address.

You must make your request for a special ballot no later than 4 p.m. on Friday, October 8, 2021.

What happens if I do not receive a special ballot or misplace it?

Contact the Returning Officer for a replacement special ballot.

How do I fill in my special ballot?

A video has been prepared to assist you in completing your special ballot. To watch the video online, search for "Alberta special ballots for electors" on YouTube.

If your Senate nominee ballot has the names of the Senate nominee candidates for election, mark your ballot with an "X" next to the candidate(s) of your choice. If your ballot is a write-in ballot, write the full name of the Senate nominee candidate(s) of your choice in the space(s) provided. You may vote for any number of candidates up to the maximum number found on your ballot.

If your referendum ballot has the question(s) listed on the ballot, mark your ballot with an "X" next to your vote of "Yes" or "No" for each question. If your ballot is a write-in ballot, write "Yes" or "No" for each question in the space provided. You are not required to vote on every question.

Place the completed ballots inside the envelope marked "Special Ballot Envelope" and seal the envelope.

Place the "Special Ballot Envelope" inside the "Special Ballot Certificate Envelope". Fill in the information in Part 1 of the "Special Ballot Certificate Envelope" form and sign the form. Seal the "Special Ballot Certificate Envelope"

Place the "Special Ballot Certificate Envelope" and a copy of your identification inside the envelope with the address of the Returning Officer and seal the envelope. Mail this outer envelope complete with all the contents so that it arrives at the office of the Returning Officer prior to 12 noon on Monday, October 18, 2021.

What if I have questions?

Please call our Senate nominee and referendum voter information line toll-free at 310-0000, then 780-422-1209 or contact by email at <u>ma.returningofficer@gov.ab.ca</u>.

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Notice of Election and Requirements for Voter Identification

Local Authorities Election Act (Sections 12, 35, 46, 53) Alberta Senate Election Act (Sections 5, 37) Referendum Act (Section 7) Ministerial Order Nos. MDS:065/21, MSD:066/21, MSD:085/21, MSD:087/21, MSD:094/21, and MSD:096/21

LOCAL JURISDICTIONS: As per Ministerial Order Nos. MSD:066/21 and MSD:085/21, PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

Notice is hereby given:

- A. That an election will be held for the election of a Senate nominee for the purposes of the Alberta Senate Election Act;
- B. That a vote of the electors will be held on the following referendum questions under the Referendum Act:
 - 1. Should section 36(2) of the Constitution Act, 1982 Parliament and the government of Canada's commitment to the principle of making equalization payments be removed from the constitution?
 - 2. Do you want Alberta to adopt year-round Daylight Saving Time, which is summer hours, eliminating the need to change our clocks twice a year?

Voting will take place on the 18th day of October, 2021, by special ballot only. Special ballot applications shall be received by the Returning Officer until 4 p.m. on October 8, 2021. Special ballot applications may be made by telephone at (780) 422-1209, by email to <u>MA.ReturningOfficer@gov.ab.ca</u>, or by sending a special ballot application to: Municipal Affairs, C/O Returning Officer, 17th Floor Commerce Place, 10155 102 Street, Edmonton, Alberta, T5J 4L4. Your application for a special ballot must include your first and last name, the address of your residence, the mailing address where the special ballot is to be sent (if different than your residential address), your telephone number, and your email address, if you are not available by telephone.

In order to vote, you must produce identification for inspection. The identification must be one or more of identification issued by a Canadian government, whether federal, provincial, or local, or an agency of that government, that contains a photograph of the elector and their name and current address, federal "Indian status" or local "band card", bank or credit card statement or personal cheques, government cheque or cheque stub, income or property tax assessment notice, insurance policy or coverage card, letter from a public curator, public guardian, or public trustee, pension plan statement of benefits contributions or participation, residential lease or mortgage statement, statement of government benefits, utility bill, vehicle ownership registration or insurance certificate, or a letter or form confirming that the person lives at the stated address from an authorized representative of a commercial property management company, correctional institution, First Nations band or reserve, post-secondary institution, a facility that provides services to the homeless, or a supportive living or treatment facility as required by section 53 of the *Local Authorities Election Act*.

DATED at the City of Edmonton, in the Province of Alberta, this 13th day of September, 2021.

Returning Officer

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