
Indigenous Voters Guide

Who can vote?

You are eligible to vote in a provincial election in Ontario if you:

- are at least 18 years of age on election day, and
- a Canadian citizen, and
- a resident of Ontario.

How can I register to vote?

Register to Vote is an online tool that allows voters to register for provincial elections in Ontario. Visit [RegisterToVoteON.ca](https://www.registertovoteon.ca) for information on eligibility, registration and how you can confirm, update or add yourself to the Register. You do not need to be registered to vote on election day – however being registered makes voting easier.

You can register by inputting your civic address or by selecting the First Nations reserve where you live in the drop-down menu.

You can register online until **February 17 no later than 11:59 PM (Eastern Time)** using your phone or computer. Indigenous electors can also use a **band Letter of Confirmation of Residence** as ID while registering to vote. If you need help, please email info@RegisterToVoteON.ca or call us at **1.888.242.3025**.

What is a band Letter of Confirmation of Residence?

If you are a member of a First Nation community and do not have one piece of ID with both your name and address, your First Nations band or reserve can issue you a Letter of Confirmation.

This letter will serve as ID for the purpose of voter registration and/or in-person voting. Elections Ontario provides information to First Nations communities about the band letter of confirmation of residence and instructions for how to issue them when elections are called.

For more information, please contact your local band or reserve office.

When can I vote?

Election day is **February 27**. On that day, you can vote from **9:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M. ET / 8:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. CT** in person at your local polling station.

You can also vote:

- in person at your local election office from **January 30 to February 26**
- in person during advance voting from **February 20 to February 22 from 10:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. (ET)**
- in person at your local election office from **February 20 to February 26** with Assistive Voting Technology or by appointment on election day
- by mail. Applications must be submitted by **February 21**. Your marked ballot must be received by Elections Ontario **no later than 6:00 P.M. ET on election day, February 27**.

During advance voting, you can vote in any advance poll location in your electoral district.

You can find advance voting locations on the Elections Ontario website at **voterinformationservice.elections.on.ca** after **February 7**. Use your postal code or the First Nation reserve drop-down menu to find advance voting locations near you.

How can I vote?

If you are on the register, you should be receiving a voter information card (VIC) in the mail from Elections Ontario. When you go to vote show one piece of ID showing your name to receive a ballot.

If you are not on the voters list, you can still vote. Show one piece of ID showing your name and residential address. The band Letter of Confirmation of Residence is accepted as proof of ID when voting in-person.

For a complete list of accepted ID, please visit **elections.on.ca/id-requirements**.

What if I can't make it out to vote on election day?

If none of the advance voting days work for you, consider voting by mail once the election has been called. You need to submit an application to vote by mail no later than **6:00 PM (Eastern Time) on February 21**.

Please note that the ID to apply to vote by mail is different from the ID you can present when you vote in person or register to vote. For a complete list of accepted ID, please visit elections.on.ca/id-requirements.

Once the election is called:

- Apply to vote by mail at votebymail.elections.on.ca; or
- Download and print an application form at elections.on.ca; or
- Call us at 1.888.668.8683.

If you choose to download and print your application, you can submit your signed and completed application form, along with a copy of your proof of name and residence, to:

Email: sb@elections.on.ca, or

Mail: Elections Ontario, Special Ballot,
26 Prince Andrew Place,
Toronto, Ontario M3C 2H4

If your application is approved, Elections Ontario will send a voting kit to the mailing address on the application. **Once your application has been approved you will be unable to choose another voting option, such as voting at an advance poll or in person on election day.**

Elections Ontario must receive your completed voting kit by **6:00 PM (Eastern Time) on February 27** to be counted.

How can I work during the election?

Elections Ontario is looking for poll workers to help us deliver the election. You need to be at least 18 years old to apply for most positions, however, there are some positions open to 16-year-olds. These are paid jobs. For details, visit elections.on.ca.



What if I'm not old enough to vote? What can I do to prepare for the next election?

The Ontario Register of Future Voters is a list of eligible future voters. If you are 16 or 17 years old, you can add yourself to the Ontario Register of Future Voters at [RegisterToVoteON.ca](https://www.registertovote.on.ca)

If you're on the list, you will be automatically registered to vote once you turn 18, which makes the voting experience easier, faster, and more efficient.

Contact Elections Ontario

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