

# Guide to the federal election



Visit [elections.ca](https://elections.ca) for the official information you need to vote  
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# Voter's checklist

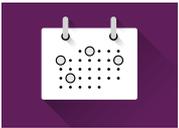
Get to know your voting options and choose what works best for you.



**Make sure you're registered** at your current address



Watch for your **voter information card** in the mail



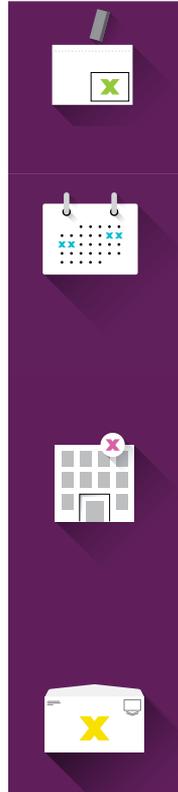
**Make a plan to vote**



Find out **who the candidates are** in your riding



**Bring ID** when you go to vote



**Vote on election day** at your assigned polling station.

**Vote on advance polling days** at your assigned polling station.

**Vote early at any Elections Canada office** across the country (until the Tuesday before election day).

**Vote by mail** (deadlines apply).

This brochure is available in multiple languages at [elections.ca](https://elections.ca). For other formats, such as braille, large print and DAISY, call us.

# Make sure you're registered to get a voter information card

Voter Information Card	Carte d'information de l'électeur
<b>Federal Election</b>	<b>Élection fédérale</b>
<b>To vote, you must:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• be a Canadian citizen</li><li>• be at least 18 years old on election day</li><li>• prove your identity and address</li></ul> <p>Visit <a href="http://elections.ca">elections.ca</a> to know what ID is accepted.</p> <p>Bring this card with you, along with ID, to make the voting process easier.</p>	<b>Pour voter, vous devez :</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• être citoyen canadien</li><li>• avoir au moins 18 ans le jour de l'élection</li><li>• prouver votre identité et votre adresse</li></ul> <p>Visitez <a href="http://elections.ca">elections.ca</a> pour connaître les pièces d'identité acceptées.</p> <p>Apportez cette carte et vos pièces d'identité pour faciliter le vote.</p>
	
<p>Incorrect name or address? Check your registration at <a href="http://elections.ca">elections.ca</a>.      Nom ou adresse incorrects? Vérifiez votre inscription à <a href="http://elections.ca">elections.ca</a>.</p>	
<p>To the Elector : DOE, JOHN 123 MAIN STREET ANYTOWN ON K1A 5T7</p> 	
<p>À l'électeur : DOE, JOHN 123, RUE MAIN ANYTOWN ON K1A 5T7</p>	
	
	
	
<p><a href="http://elections.ca">elections.ca</a></p>	

**If you're registered**, you should get a voter information card in the mail after the election is called. It tells you where and when you can vote. Bring the card, along with accepted ID, to make the voting process easier.

**If you don't get a card, or if the information on it is incorrect**, you may not be registered or your voter information may not be up to date. Visit [elections.ca](http://elections.ca) to register or update your address, or call us at **1-800-463-6868** or **1-800-361-8935 (TTY)** for assistance. You can also register or update your voter information when you go to vote.

## To register and vote in the federal election, you must:

- be a Canadian citizen
- be at least 18 years old on election day
- prove your identity and address

# Ways to vote

**You can vote almost any time during the election period.**  
Choose the voting option that works best for you.

## 1 **Vote on election day at your assigned polling station**

Your assigned polling station will be open for 12 hours (hours vary by time zone).

Check your **voter information card** for where and when you can vote.

## 2 **Vote on advance polling days at your assigned polling station**

Your assigned polling station will be open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on the Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday the week before election day.

## 3 **Vote early at any Elections Canada office across the country**

Go to any Elections Canada office by the Tuesday before election day, 6 p.m. You will vote using the special ballot process. After the election is called, visit **elections.ca** or call us at **1-800-463-6868** or **1-800-361-8935 (TTY)** to find the Elections Canada office nearest you.

## 4 **Vote by mail**

Apply by the Tuesday before election day, 6 p.m. You will vote using the special ballot process. Make sure we receive your completed ballot **by election day**, or it cannot be counted. If you think your ballot will not arrive on time, you can drop it off at your local Elections Canada office any time during the election. Visit **elections.ca** for more information on deadlines and to see if voting by mail is the right choice for you.

**Once you apply to vote by mail, you can't change your mind and vote at advance polls or on election day.**

# Have your ID ready to vote

**You have three options to prove your identity and address.**  
To vote, you must be a Canadian citizen and at least 18 years old on election day.

## Option 1



### Show one of these pieces of ID

- your driver's licence
- any other card issued by a Canadian government (federal, provincial/territorial or local) with your photo, name and current address

## Option 2

or



### Show two pieces of ID

Both must have your name and at least one must have your current address.

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### Examples:

- voter information card and bank statement
- utility bill and student ID card

### Don't have these? No problem!

There are other accepted pieces of ID.  
Check out the full list at [elections.ca](https://elections.ca).

## Option 3

or



### If you don't have ID

You can still vote if you declare your identity and address in writing and have someone who knows you and who is assigned to your polling station vouch for you.

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The voucher must be able to prove their identity and address. A person can vouch for only one person (except in long-term care facilities).

# Voting assistance tools and services



**All electors are assigned a polling station for election day and advance polling days.** After the election is called, make sure your assigned polling station meets your accessibility needs. To find out how accessible it is:

- check your voter information card
- visit **elections.ca** and enter your postal code into the Voter Information Service box, or
- call us at **1-800-463-6868** or **1-800-361-8935 (TTY)**

If you have concerns about the accessibility of your assigned polling station, call us at **1-800-463-6868** or **1-800-361-8935 (TTY)**.

To request voting assistance in advance, including language and sign language interpretation, call your local Elections Canada office by the Tuesday before election day, 6 p.m.

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## Voting assistance tools and services on election day



**Ballot** with candidate names in **large print**



**Language and sign language interpretation** and other assistance (**upon request in advance**)



**Large-print and braille lists** of candidates



**Assistance marking your ballot** (Bring someone you know or ask an election worker)



**Tactile and braille voting template**



**Large-grip pencil**  
You can also bring your own pen or pencil.



**Magnifiers**



**Signature guide**

**Note:** Braille lists of candidates are only available on election day. Large print is available on advance polling days and on election day.