Election
Frequently Asked Questions

Are landed immigrants eligible to vote?

No. You must be a Canadian citizen to vote.

What does 'disqualified from voting' mean?

You may not vote in a British Columbia local government election if you have been convicted of an indictable offence and are in custody or have been found guilty of an election offence.

What if I need assistance while voting?

If you are able to make it to the voting place, but are unable to go inside the building, you may request Curbside Voting – whereby an election official will bring a ballot to your vehicle.

If you are unable to mark your own ballot, you may ask for help from an Election Official, friend or relative. A declaration for a Person Assisting an Elector to Mark a Ballot will be required for this.

If you require a translator to interpret for you, a declaration for a Translator may be requested.

What to bring when you vote:

ACCEPTED IDENTIFICATION DOCUMENTS FOR ELECTOR REGISTRATION

Every elector must provide **2 pieces** of ID, at least one of which contains a signature. Picture identification is not necessary.

Resident Electors should provide proof of identity and residency. If the elector does not have ID showing residency, they must still provide 2 pieces of ID, one with a signature, and must make a solemn declaration of residency.

Non-Resident Property Electors must provide 2 pieces of ID proving identity, one with a signature; provide proof that they are entitled to register in relation to a property (that they are a current registered owner on the title); and, if applicable, provide written consent from the other property owners to vote on behalf of that property.

Identification that will be accepted at the Polling Locations are:

(a) a British Columbia Driver's License,

(b) a British Columbia Identification Card issued by the Motor Vehicle Branch,

(c) an Owner's Certificate of Insurance and Vehicle Insurance issued by the Insurance Corporation of British Columbia,

(d) a British Columbia CareCard or British Columbia Gold CareCard,

(e) a Ministry of Social Development and Economic Security Request for Continued Assistance Form SDES8,

(f) a Social Insurance Card issued by Human Resources Development Canada,

(g) a Citizenship Card issued by Citizenship and Immigration Canada,

(h) a real property tax notice issued under the *Local Government Act* or the *Taxation (Rural Area)* Act,

(i) a credit card or debit card issued by a savings institution as defined in section 29 of the *Interpretation Act,* or

(j) a utility bill issued for the supply of electricity, natural gas, water, telephone services or coaxial cable services by (i) a public utility as defined in section 1 of the *Utilities Commission Act,*

- **i.** a gas utility as defined in section 1 of the *Gas Utility Act,*
- **ii.** a water utility as defined in section 1 of the *Water Act*,
- **iii.** the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority, or
- **iv.** a corporation licensed by the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission for the purpose of that supply.

(k) Canadian Passport,

(l) Canadian Indian Status Card,

(m) Canadian Firearms License

Can a corporation vote?

Local Government Act section 64 (3) states "For clarification, no corporation is entitled to be registered as an elector or have a representative registered as an election, no corporation is entitled to vote.