

FAQ's: Voting by Mail General Information

On Saturday, October 20, 2018, from 8 am to 8 pm, the City of Campbell River will hold an election for **1 Mayor, 6 Councillors and 5 School Trustees.**

Who can vote by mail?

Electors may vote by mail in this election if they:

- have a physical disability, illness or injury that affects their ability to vote at another voting opportunity, OR
- expect to be absent from the City on general voting day (October 20, 2018) and at the times of all advance voting opportunities (October 10 and 17, 2018).

Who is eligible to vote?

You are allowed to vote in a Campbell River municipal election if you are registered as:

- a resident elector (ie. you live in Campbell River), OR
- a non-resident property elector (ie. you live elsewhere in BC but you own property in Campbell River).

Who is eligible to be a resident elector?

RESIDENT ELECTORS:

To vote in the Campbell River municipal election as a resident elector, you must meet **ALL** of the following requirements:

- ☑ You will be age 18 or older on general voting day (October 20, 2018);
- ☑ You are a Canadian citizen;
- ☑ You have been a resident of BC for at least 6 months immediately before the day you register to vote;
- ☑ You have been a resident of Campbell River for at least 30 days immediately before the day you register to vote; AND
- ☑ You are not disqualified by the *Local Government Act*, the *School Act*, or any other enactment from voting in an election nor are you otherwise disqualified by law from voting.

NON-RESIDENT PROPERTY ELECTORS:

- ☑ You will be age 18 or older on general voting day (October 20, 2018);
- ☑ You are a Canadian citizen; AND
- ☑ You have been a resident of BC for at least 6 months immediately before the day you register to vote; AND
- ☑ You are a registered owner of real property in the City of Campbell River for at least 30 days immediately before the day of registration; AND
- ☑ You are not entitled to register as a resident elector; AND
- ☑ You are the only person(s) who are registered owners of the real property, either as joint tenants or tenants in common, are individuals who are not holding the property in trust for a corporation or another trust; AND
- ☑ You are not disqualified by the *Local Government Act*, the *School Act*, or any other enactment from voting in an election nor are you otherwise disqualified by law; AND

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☑ if there is more than one registered owner of the property, only one of those individuals may, with the written consent of the majority of the owners, register as a non-resident property elector.

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.

Are landed immigrants eligible to vote?

No. You must be a Canadian citizen to vote.

How do you register to vote?

You will have to register at the time of voting by filling out a registration form, which we will send you with your mail ballot package. You will have to complete the registration form and return it with your mail ballot.

How to request a mail ballot package

If you will be away from Campbell River on Election Day (October 20, 2018) and during both Advance Voting opportunities occurring on October 10 and 17, you will still have the opportunity to vote using a mail-in ballot.

To request a ballot and registration package either call Campbell River City Hall or go to <u>www.campbellriver.ca</u> and click on the link on our website, print and fill out the application, sign it and return it either by mail, fax, email or deliver it to Campbell River City Hall by 4 pm on October 2, 2018.

Mail ballot packages will be sent out as soon as possible. In order to be counted for the election, your mail ballot must be received at the Legislative Services Department at City Hall by the close of business at 4:30 p.m. on **Friday, October 19, 2018**. Alternately, you may arrange for the ballot to be delivered to the Presiding Election Official at the Campbell River Community Centre voting place, $401 - 11^{\text{th}}$ Avenue, between 8:00 am and 8:00 pm **Saturday, October 20, 2018**.