



## Who is an Absentee Voter?

Any qualified voter who is unable to vote on Election Day or on a day on which an Advance Poll takes place.

**Qualified Voter** – To be a qualified voter in Saskatchewan a person must:

- ✓ be 18 years old on or before Election Day;
- ✓ be a Canadian citizen on or before Election Day, or be a British subject who was qualified as a voter on June 23, 1971;
- ✓ on the day on which the writ for that election was issued:
  - have ordinarily resided in Saskatchewan for at least six months immediately preceding that day; and
  - be ordinarily resident in the constituency in which he or she seeks to vote.

**Ordinary Residence** – Under Section 18 of *The Election Act, 1996* ordinary residence means the place where the voter “has established habitation” which, when the person is absent from it, the person intends to return.

## When Can I Apply?

A qualified voter can apply for an absentee ballot after an election is called, but **no later than eight days before Election Day**. You must apply directly to the Returning Officer in the constituency in which your ordinary residence is located or to the Chief Electoral Officer.

Addresses for Returning Offices will be published in all local newspapers, posted on the Elections Saskatchewan website ([www.elections.sk.ca](http://www.elections.sk.ca)), or may be obtained by contacting Elections Saskatchewan. An Absentee Ballot Kit will be sent to you after your application is processed.

## How Does an Absentee Voter Vote?

An absentee voter marks the ballot paper by writing in the blank space provided the name or political affiliation of the candidate for whom the voter intends to vote. The marked ballot is then returned to the Returning Officer of the voter’s constituency to be held until the Final Count.

A series of envelopes is used to protect the secrecy of the vote. The envelopes are accompanied by a declaration that certifies the voter is eligible to vote, and has not voted nor will vote a second time.

If you do not know the name of the constituency in which you reside, refer to the Elections Saskatchewan website at [www.elections.sk.ca](http://www.elections.sk.ca) or call Elections Saskatchewan at 1-877-958-8683.

See back of this page for contact information.

## Completing the Application

The application form consists of three parts. The individual wishing to be considered an absentee voter must complete all three parts.

**Part I** is the application portion, which sets out the name, ordinary residential address and mailing address of the applicant (if different from ordinary residential address).

**Part II** sets out the address where the Absentee Ballot Kit is to be forwarded if different than the address in Part I.

**Part III** is the declaration of voter confirming the eligibility of the applicant as a voter.

### IMPORTANT

**YOUR APPLICATION WILL NOT BE PROCESSED UNLESS IT IS ACCOMPANIED BY A COPY OF YOUR IDENTIFICATION DOCUMENTS.**

See back of this page for list of acceptable identification.

### Deadline

The Returning Officer or Chief Electoral Officer must receive your completed application and a copy of your identification documents **no later than eight days before Election Day**.

An absentee voter application and declaration may also be made by facsimile or other means of electronic transmission provided that the signature on the application is graphically represented (see back of this page for contact information).

# Identification Requirements and Contact Information

You have two options:

**You must** attach a copy of one original piece of identification with your photo, name and residential address. It must be issued by a government agency.  
Example: **driver's licence**

or

**You must** attach photocopies of two original pieces of authorized identification. Both pieces must have your name and one must also have your address.  
Example: **health card and power bill**

## PIECES OF IDENTIFICATION AUTHORIZED AS PER REGULATION

VALID ORIGINAL IDENTIFICATION DOCUMENTS	ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS (with name and address)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Birth Certificate</li> <li>- Canadian Blood Services Donor Card</li> <li>- Canadian Passport</li> <li>- Certificate of Canadian Citizenship (Citizenship Card) issued by Citizenship and Immigration Canada</li> <li>- Canadian National Institute for the Blind (CNIB) client card bearing the individual's photograph and signature or a card bearing the individual's photograph and signature issued by any registered charitable organization that provides services to persons with disabilities</li> <li>- Credit Card issued by a bank or credit union</li> <li>- Debit Card issued by a bank or credit union</li> <li>- Identification issued by the Canada Border Services Agency</li> <li>- Identification issued by Canadian Air Transportation Security Agency (CATSA)</li> <li>- Identification Card issued by Canadian Forces</li> <li>- Employee Card issued by the Government of Canada, the Government of Saskatchewan, a school division or an Indian band in Saskatchewan, or an agency of one of these entities</li> <li>- Firearm Possession and Acquisition Licence or Possession Only Licence issued pursuant to the <i>Firearms Act</i></li> <li>- Fishing, Trapping or Hunting Licence issued pursuant to <i>The Fisheries (Saskatchewan) Act, 1994</i> or <i>The Wildlife Act</i></li> <li>- Hospital bracelet</li> <li>- Métis Nation Status Card issued by the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan</li> <li>- Old Age Security Card issued pursuant to the <i>Old Age Security Act</i></li> <li>- Pleasure Craft Operators Licence issued pursuant to the <i>Canada Shipping Act</i></li> <li>- Parole Card</li> <li>- Passport of a Foreign State</li> <li>- Radio Operator Card or Certificate issued by Industry Canada</li> <li>- Saskatchewan Driver's Licence issued pursuant to <i>The Traffic Safety Act</i></li> <li>- Saskatchewan Health Services Card issued pursuant to <i>The Department of Health Act</i></li> <li>- Social Insurance Number Card issued by the Government of Canada</li> <li>- Student Identification Card issued by a post-secondary institution regulated by a Saskatchewan Act</li> <li>- Union Identification Card</li> <li>- Veteran Affairs Canada Health Identification Card</li> <li>- Voter ID card issued by an election officer or enumerator</li> <li>- Wildlife Habitat Certificate</li> <li>- Any other piece of identification issued by the Government of Canada, the Government of Saskatchewan, a Saskatchewan Municipality, a school division or an Indian band in Saskatchewan, or an agency of one of these entities bearing the individual's name</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Admission Form that is in a form acceptable to the Chief Electoral Officer and that is issued by the authority responsible for a shelter, soup kitchen, student or seniors residence or a facility designated as a health centre pursuant to <i>The Facilities Designation Regulations</i> that provides long-term care</li> <li>- Attestation of Residence that is in a form acceptable to the Chief Electoral Officer and that is issued by the authority responsible for a student or seniors residence or a facility designated as a health centre pursuant to <i>The Facilities Designation Regulations</i> that provides long-term care</li> <li>- Bank Card Statement issued by a bank or credit union</li> <li>- Blank cheque bearing the individual's name and address</li> <li>- Bill issued by Saskatchewan Power Corporation, SaskEnergy, Saskatchewan Telecommunications or a municipality</li> <li>- Credit Card Statement issued by a bank or credit union</li> <li>- Certificate of Title issued by the Information Services Corporation</li> <li>- Certificate of vehicle registration issued pursuant to <i>The Traffic Safety Act</i></li> <li>- Correspondence issued by a post-secondary institution regulated by a Saskatchewan Act</li> <li>- Document issued or certified by a court in Canada</li> <li>- Government Cheque or Cheque Stub issued by the Government of Canada, the Government of Saskatchewan, a Saskatchewan municipality, a school division or an Indian band in Saskatchewan, or an agency of one of these entities</li> <li>- Income Tax Assessment Notice issued by the Canada Revenue Agency</li> <li>- Insurance Policy</li> <li>- Letter from the Public Guardian and Trustee</li> <li>- Letter of stay that is in a form acceptable to the Chief Electoral Officer and that is issued by the authority responsible for a shelter, soup kitchen or a facility designated as a health centre pursuant to <i>The Facilities Designation Regulations</i> that provides long-term care</li> <li>- Pay cheque or receipt issued by an employer</li> <li>- Pension Plan Statement of Benefits, Contributions or Participation</li> <li>- Property Tax Assessment Notice or a Tax Notice issued by a municipality</li> <li>- Residential Lease or Mortgage Statement</li> <li>- Statement of Government Benefits (employment insurance, old age security, social assistance, disability support or child tax benefit) issued by the Government of Canada or the Government of Saskatchewan</li> <li>- Statement of Crop Insurance issued by the Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Corporation</li> <li>- Statement issued by the Workers' Compensation Board</li> <li>- Voter identification card issued by a Saskatchewan municipality that shows name and address</li> </ul>



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A handwritten copy or a photocopy of this document may be made.

This form is also available at the Elections Saskatchewan website:  
[www.elections.sk.ca](http://www.elections.sk.ca)



# Absentee Voter Application

Form OO

## E-127A

The Election Act, 1996  
Section 87  
(Revised August 2011)

To: The Returning Officer, Constituency of \_\_\_\_\_

### Part I Application

I hereby apply to vote at the election now pending as provided in sections 86 to 89, inclusive, of *The Election Act, 1996*.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 First Name (e.g., "Mary")      Middle Name or Initial (e.g., "Alice" or "A")      Last Name (e.g., "Smith")

Male       Female

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of Birth (yyyy/mm/dd) (e.g., 1960/12/23)      Occupation (e.g., labourer)

### Ordinary Residential Address (on the day the writ was issued)

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Number & Street (e.g., 123 Main Street)      Apartment/Unit (e.g., Apt. 4 or Unit 4)      or Land Location (e.g., NE 20-16-10 W3M)

\_\_\_\_\_, Saskatchewan

\_\_\_\_\_  
 City, Town or Village (e.g., Moose Jaw)      Postal Code (e.g., S6H 7C4)

Telephone: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_ / Business: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_ / Cell: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_

Facsimile: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_ / Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

### Mailing Address (if different than ordinary residential address given above)

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Number & Street or Post Office Box (e.g., 123 Main Street or P.O. Box 123)      Apartment/Unit (e.g., Apt. 4 or Unit 4)

\_\_\_\_\_, Saskatchewan

\_\_\_\_\_  
 City, Town or Village (e.g., Moose Jaw)      Postal Code (e.g., S6H 4N8)

### Part II Temporary Address (where Absentee Ballot Kit is to be sent, if different from above)

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Number & Street (e.g., 123 Main Street)      Apartment/Unit (e.g., Apt. 4 or Unit 4)      or Post Office Box (e.g., P.O. Box 123)

\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_  
 City, Town or Village (e.g., Ile-a-la-Crosse)      Province/State      Country      Postal Code (e.g., S0M 1C0)/Zip Code

Telephone: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_ / Business: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_ / Cell: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_

Facsimile: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_ / Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Date you left Saskatchewan: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (yyyy/mm/dd) (e.g., 2011/10/23)

### Part III Declaration of Voter

- I am the full age of 18 years or will attain the full age of 18 years on or before Election Day;
- I am a Canadian citizen or a British subject who was qualified as a voter on June 23, 1971;
- I have ordinarily resided in Saskatchewan for at least six months immediately preceding the day the writ was issued;
- I was ordinarily resident in the above-mentioned constituency on the day the writ was issued;
- I am not disqualified pursuant to section 17 of *The Election Act, 1996* to vote at this election;
- I am unable to vote at an Advance Poll or on Election Day in the constituency in which I am an ordinary resident; and
- I have not already voted at this election.

I understand that upon issuance of an Absentee Ballot Kit under the absentee voters provisions, I will be deemed to have voted.

I make this solemn declaration conscientiously, believing it to be true and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of the *Canada Evidence Act*.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant/Voter

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date