

# Vote by Mail Application

## Who can vote by mail?

Any qualified voter who is unable to vote on election day or on a day when advance polling takes place.

**Qualified Voter** – To vote in the election, you must:

- ✓ Be a Canadian citizen on or before election day, or be a British subject who was qualified as a voter on June 23, 1971;
- ✓ Be at least 18 years old;
- ✓ Have lived in Saskatchewan for at least the six months before the day the election is called; and
- ✓ Be a resident in the constituency on the day the election is called.

**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 may apply for a vote by mail ballot as soon as the application is made available, but **no later than eleven days before election day**. You must apply directly to the Chief Electoral Officer.

Addresses for returning offices will be posted on the Elections Saskatchewan website ([www.elections.sk.ca/returningoffices](http://www.elections.sk.ca/returningoffices)) once the writ is dropped. If you are applying before the writ is dropped, please mail, email or fax your application to:

Mail:  
**Elections Saskatchewan**  
**#301-3303 Hillsdale Street**  
**Regina, SK S4S 6W9**

Email:  
**absenteeballots@elections.sk.ca**  
Toll Free Fax:  
**1-866-678-4052**

## How Does a Vote by Mail voter Vote?

Once you receive your Vote by Mail kit in the mail, a voter marks the ballot paper provided by writing in the blank space the name or political affiliation of the candidate for whom the voter intends to vote. The marked ballot is then returned to Elections Saskatchewan using the postage paid envelope to be held until the 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.

## Completing the Application

The application form consists of three parts. All three parts must be completed.

**Part I** the application portion, includes your name, ordinary residential address and mailing address of the applicant (if different from ordinary residential address).

**Part II** sets out the address where the Vote by Mail Ballot Kit is to be mailed if different than the address in Part I.

**Part III** confirms your eligibility to apply for a ballot.

Legislation states that we can send out the Vote by Mail Kit as soon as the writ of election is called. This means that your ballot Kit will be sent to you when the writ is dropped.

## 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 Chief Electoral Officer must receive your completed application and a copy of your identification documents **no later than eleven days before election day**.

A vote by mail application may also be made by facsimile or other means of electronic transmission provided that the correct identification accompanies the application.

# Identification Requirements and Contact Information

You have two options:

**You must** attach a copy of one original piece of Government issued ID with your **photo, name and residential address**.

Example: **driver's licence**

OR

At least one of your pieces must be from the Government issued ID list below. The other must be from the Secondary Proof of Identity and must include your address.

## Acceptable ID Options

The address on your identification must match the address you have listed on the application as your ordinary residential address.

Government Issued ID	Secondary Proof of Identity and Address
Birth Certificate	Admission Form (Shelter, Student, Seniors Residence)
Canadian Forces ID	Attestation of Residence
Canadian Passport	Bank Statement
CATSA ID	Blank Cheque with the Voter's Name
Canadian Citizenship Certificate or Card	Certificate of Title
Driver's Licence (Saskatchewan)	Cheque (Government, Municipality, School Division, Indian Band)
Firearms Possession Licence	Credit Card Statement
Fishing, Trapping, Hunting Licence	Crop Insurance Statement
Government Employee Card	Court Document
Indian Status Card	Employer Paycheque
Métis Nation Status Card	Government Benefits Statement (Employment Insurance, OAS, Social Assistance, Disability Support, Child Tax Benefit, Workers' Compensation)
Old Age Security (OAS) Card	Income Tax Assessment
Other ID (Government, Municipality, School Division, Indian Band)	Insurance Policy
Nexus Trusted Traveler Card	Letter of Authorization from a First Nations Band
Pleasure Craft Operators Licence	Letter of Stay (Shelter, Student, Seniors Residence)
Parole Card	Mortgage or Lease Statement
Saskatchewan non-driver photo ID	Pension Statement
Saskatchewan Health Card	Post-Secondary Mail
Veterans Affairs Health Card	Property Tax Assessment
	Public Guardian or Trustee Letter
	Utility Bill (telephone, power, cable)
	Vehicle Registration
	Voter Information Card (Provincial)
	Voter Information Card (Saskatchewan Municipality)



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Regina, SK S4S 6W9

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

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



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To: The Chief Electoral Officer

## 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)
Gender	Male	Female	Other
Date of Birth (yyyy/mm/dd) (e.g., 1960/12/23)			

### 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 Vote by Mail 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)	City, Town or Village (e.g., Phoenix)
Province/State (e.g., Arizona)	Country (e.g., USA)	Postal/Zip Code (e.g., 90210)
Telephone: ( )	/ Business: ( )	/ Cell: ( )
Facsimile: ( )	/ Email Address:	

<b>Date you left Saskatchewan:</b> _____	<b>Date returning to Saskatchewan:</b> _____
(yyyy mm/dd) (e.g., 2011/10/23)	(yyyy/mm/dd)

## Part III Required Information (*please check yes or no to the answers below*)

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| I certify that I am a Canadian citizen                 | Yes | No |
| I have resided in Saskatchewan for six months          | Yes | No |
| I want to be notified when my application is processed | Yes | No |